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## A GENTLEMAN.

I knew him for a gentleman  
By signs that never fail;  
His coat was rough and rather worn,  
His cheeks were thin and pale—  
A lad who had his way to make,  
With little time for play;  
I knew him for a gentleman  
By certain signs to-day.  
He met his mother on the street;  
Off came his little hat.  
My door was shut; he waited there  
Until I heard him rap.  
He took the bundle from my hand,  
And, when I dropped my pen,  
He sprang to pick it up for me—  
This gentleman of ten.  
He does not push and crowd along;  
His voice is gently pitched;  
He does not fling his books about  
As if he were bewitched.  
He stands aside to let you pass;  
He always shuts the door;  
He runs on errands willingly  
To forge and mill and store.  
He thinks of you before himself,  
He serves you if he can;  
For, in whatever company,  
The manners make the man.  
At ten or forty 'tis the same.  
The manner tells the tale,  
And I discern the gentleman  
By signs that never fail.  
—Our Little Men.

## SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION.

SPONTANEOUS combustion, which is charged with 139 fires in 1904, is doubtless the cause of a number of those reported as "unknown," and of some of those reported as incendiary. It is detected, if at all, before the flames have destroyed the evidence of its cause. The term spontaneous combustion literally means the burning of a substance from causes inherent in itself, but it is commonly used to indicate the burning of inflammable bodies without the application of fire.

Some substances oxidize at the ordinary temperature of the air, the process going on so slowly that little heat is produced, but when the oxidizable matter is spread out over bodies that are fibrous or spongy non-conductors, which expose very extensive surfaces to the air, the combination goes on rapidly and heat accumulates until it is sufficiently intense to ignite the interior of the mass.

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He is one of the three cabinet officers who first served under President McKinley. He was appointed August 16, 1897, as Minister to Russia. The Mission was elevated to the rank of an embassy February 11, 1898, and Mr. Hitchcock was appointed the first Ambassador from the United States to Russia. He was appointed Secretary of the Interior by President McKinley and assumed office February 20, 1899, and has retained it to the present time. The Secretary is noted for his sterling integrity and unflinching opposition to all forms of graft in the public service. His administration of the Interior Department has been eminently a business administration and will stand out prominently for its high character.

tances which produces a sufficient heat to ignite them. The oils, like linseed, which dry rapidly by the absorption of oxygen from the air furnish the largest number of cases.

### RAGS AND SAWDUST.

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before the occurrence of spontaneous combustion is lengthened by free ventilation and shortened by the materials being surrounded by non-conducting matter. Animal or vegetable fats or oils are liable to get into any collection of rubbish and cause a fire, the source of which can only be surmised.

Moisture promotes spontaneous combustion, as is shown by the burning of barns from the igniting of damp hay; the burning of houses by the igniting of damp ashes and wet coal, and conflagrations in warehouses from moist cotton.

OATMEAL AND VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES.  
Oatmeal or bran and many other vegetable substances if damp and without free air will ignite. Substances confined in wooden boxes may oxidize and set the box afire before they are hot enough to ignite themselves, or, they may in heating form

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gases which will ignite, when air is admitted by the opening of the box.

Rags which have been used to wipe excess of oil from the sewing machine, or re-oiling furniture or woodwork or which are soiled with fresh paint are liable to take fire, especially if they are thrown into a closet where there is no current of air, or left in the sunshine or in a warm place. Greasy rags used in nest-building by rats, mice and birds which build in the eaves of houses, have been the origin of many fires.

### THE HAM BAG.

The sugar-cured ham bag if forced into association with disreputable odds and ends of scrap waste is likely to make it hot for its neighbors. The eminent President of a Boston fire insurance company, Mr. Edward Atkinson, amiably tells a story on himself which runs something like this:

He was awakened by the noises of a chemical fire engine operating upon a shed attached to his own house, from which a blaze was issuing. Investigation showed the fire to have originated in a barrel of excelsior and other rubbish, at the bottom of which was a greasy ham casing. And this near his kerosene tank. Being a policy holder in the company of which he was president he was obliged to report the fire to himself. This he did in these words: "This member had been warned by the president that if he permitted combustible material to be put away in wooden barrels his policy would immediately be cancelled."

## Old Men for War.

Chicago "Tribune."

Grant was only 42 when he became lieutenant general of the Union armies. But Lee was nine years older when he fought his first great battle—at Malvern Hill—than Napoleon was when he fled from Waterloo. Moltke was 66 years old when he overthrew the Austrians at Sadowa and 70 when his genius triumphed in the Franco-Prussian War. Nogi is 54, Kuroki is 62, Oyama is 64. It seems probable that changes in methods of warfare have been a factor in putting middle-aged and old men in command of modern armies. Things had changed when old Moltke, a soldier of books and maps, could sit impassable at the end of a telegraph wire and direct the conquering movements of more than a half million men according to a plan he had drawn up months before. Oyama is a cool, long-headed old fellow, who has mastered the science and the art of modern war by long years of study and experience. Future great commanders probably will be a good deal like him.

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## PROVERB.

Be true in all you do.

## THE 1905 INSTITUTES.

A number of summer schools or institutes will be held during the coming summer and fall, and it is hoped that as many employees as can do so will arrange to attend one or more of these meetings.

The Department of Indian Education, which should interest all the Indian school workers, will meet this year at Asbury Park, New Jersey, July 3rd to 7th, in connection with the annual convention of the National Educational Association. The location is exceptionally attractive, low railroad rates will prevail, and the program will be specially interesting and instructive.

The Pacific Coast Institute will possess added interest this year because of its being held in Portland, Oregon, during the Lewis & Clark Exposition. The exact date of the meeting, which will be some time in August, has not yet been definitely fixed. Every employee who can possibly do so should take advantage of this dual opportunity.

The Pine Ridge Institute will be held at the Agency this year as usual, probably in September, and as many as possible of the teachers and other school employees on this and neighboring reservations should make it a point to be there. There will be a meeting of the employees of the day schools connected with the San Jacinto and Pala, California, Indian Schools at San Jacinto, probably in August. The Standing Rock Institute will be held at that Agency some time during the present school term, probably in May or June.

The holding of Institutes at convenient points, and the annual meeting of the Department of Indian Education, have long been established features of the Indian school system. The value to the teachers of these opportunities for mutual exchange of views and experiences is more fully appreciated each year, and it is earnestly hoped that there will be a large attendance at the coming meetings.

Announcements of interest to the Indian school employees relative to these meetings will be made in this paper from time to time.

It is hoped that all teachers in Indian schools will read the following and ask themselves the question "Will it not be better for the Indian child to spend fewer hours with text-books, but more in the open air; and can I not give him more practical work, dropping non-essentials, to fit him to earn his own living as speedily as possible?"

### Some School Results.

A recent examination of graduates from a Western normal school for places as teachers revealed a surprising lack of thoroughness in what are regarded as the fundamental branches of an English education. This is in line with the discovery of Representative Tawney, of Minnesota, who reports that eight young men, all graduates of high schools and chosen by him for their good standing in school, successively failed in their examinations for West Point or Annapolis, because of their defective knowledge of the elementary English branches. This surprising experience led Mr. Tawney to think the American public school system is faulty; that pupils are rushed through the grammar schools without mastering the really vital studies.

This is a conclusion long since reached by many of the most experienced teachers, by State and city superintendents, and by two, at least, of the heads of normal schools, who have turned back applicants from the grammar and high schools intending to fit themselves as teachers. In a recent examination of high school graduates for entrance at the Northwestern University nearly one-half failed mainly because of their inability to spell words in common use.

That the number of studies in the grammar schools is too large has been affirmed repeatedly by persons well qualified to speak on the subject. Superintendent Skinner, of New York, in several of his annual reports, declared that it was impracticable for the pupils to be thorough in the fundamentals in the allotted time, and that many of the studies are of no possible value in the pursuit of a reasonable common school education. Other prominent school men have opposed all home study, advocating fewer hours with books and the throwing out of every subject which is not directly essential to a thorough mastery of the simple English branches. Since the results so often show a defective system, and since the cause is apparent, it is time there should be an organized effort to effect a rational reform.—Phila. Ledger.



### Loyalty.

No characteristic in an individual is of more value than loyalty. It is the one factor that makes friendship, home and brotherhood possible. When members of the family, for any reason, betray one another, in the slightest degree, disloyalty has taken root and, sooner or later, anarchy and rebellion follow as a result.

When a friend severs the tie of friendship it is generally, if not always, through disloyalty to contract, confidence or trust. The felicity of the brotherhood is destroyed most completely and irrevocably when one or more of the individual members prove unfaithful to the fraternity, be it in sympathy or service.

On the other hand, nothing perfects a union so quickly as loyalty. Loyalty means an interest that is lifelong and life strong. There are times, too, when it is particularly necessary that one be rigidly loyal.

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## THE STORY OF PRINTING.

Long ago, before the world had a printing press, the days were dark indeed.

At that time only the few were learned. When books were written by hand, one by one, only the rich could afford them.

In the dark age it was even worse; the nobility despised learning, so that learning was confined to the church, and the church took great pains to keep it confined there.

Then came the press. The dark age was no more. Books became so cheap that the poor could read them. With reading came learning, and with learning, discontent. The peasant and the burgher soon saw that things were not as they should be. The Bible taught them that the church was not as Christ had founded it. So the Reformation came first.

Other books opened their eyes to the evils in the State and the Revolution came next. So church and King fell victim to the printing press. There is hardly a country of Europe but has had a revolution.

The Chinese were the first printers.

A complete edition of their classics was printed about 922 A. D. The early method of printing from a block, on which all the characters for the page are engraved, is still used there, in spite of the fact that type was invented a century later by Pi Shing, a blacksmith. There is a reason for this, however. It is easier to engrave the characters on a block than to set up the 10,000 Chinese characters.

Until the publication at Cologne in 1499 of the Cologne Cronicle, it was believed that Johann Gutenberg invented printing at Strassburg, Germany. This work declared that printing was practiced in Holland. In 1588 Adriaen de Jonghe published a work in which he makes one Coster, of Haarlam, the inventor of printing, in 1440.

Who really invented printing is unknown. Probably two or three hit upon the invention at about the same time, but, anyhow, the invention is of more value than the name of the inventor.

About 1476 William Caxton set up the first press in England and printed on it the Caxton Bible. The first press in Scotland appeared in 1507. The first press in America was set up for the Viceroy of Mexico, 1546. Two years later Harvard secured a press and its first important work was the "Bay Psalm Book."

Have you not wondered as you have read about the inventions of the compass, of gunpowder and the printing press why it is that these three great inventions were of no practical use to the Chinese nation which discovered them?

I will tell you. The Chinese for long ages have been ancestor worshippers. They believe that their ancestors are all-wise, and their ways are the best ways. They believe it wrong to do or think other than their fathers and so it that when some of their great men discovered the germ of a great truth their descendants did not improve it, but handed it down through the eyes just as the inventors left it.

That is why, of all the races, the Chinese are the last to get the good of their own inventions.



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## ATHLETICS.

### BASE-BALL AND TRACK

### SCHEDULE FOR 1905

April 12—Mercersburg Academy, at Carlisle.

" 14—Albright College, at Carlisle.

" 15—Lebanon Valley College, at Annville.

" 21—Ursinus College, at Carlisle.

" 22—

" 24—Harrisburg Athletic Club, at Harrisburg.

" 26—Villanova College, at Carlisle.

" 29—Lebanon Valley College, at Carlisle.

" 29—Univ. Penna. Relay Races at Philadelphia.

May 5—Wyoming Seminary, at Carlisle.

" 6—Ursinus College, at Collegeville

" 6—Dickinson College track, at Carlisle.

" 10—Dickinson College, at Indian Field.

" 13—Lafayette College track, at Easton.

" 13—Wilmington A. C., at Wilmington, Del.

" 15—Andover Academy, at Andover, Mass.

" 16—Holy Cross College, at Worcester.

" 17—Amherst College, at Amherst.

" 18—Boston University at Boston

" 19—Dartmouth College, at Hanover, New Hampshire.

" 20—

" 22—State College Track at Carlisle

" 24—Washington and Jefferson College, at Carlisle.

" 26—Susquehanna University, at Carlisle.

" 27—Franklin and Marshall, at Lancaster.

" 30—Gettysburg College at Gettysburg—2 games.

" 31—Mercersburg Academy, at Mercersburg.

June 3—Dickinson College, at Dickinson Field.

" 3—Franklin & Marshall College, track at Lancaster.

" 7—Gettysburg College, at Carlisle.

" 9—Burham A. C. at Lewistown

" 10—

" 12—Villanova College, at Villanova.

" 12—State College track, at State College.

" 13—Lehigh University, at S. Bethlehem.

" 14—Kutztown Normal, at Kutztown.

" 15—

" 16—Seton Hall College, at So. Orange.

" 17—Fordham College, at Fordham.

" 20—Lafayette College, at Easton.

" 21—Muhlenburg College, at Allentown.



## PENNSYLVANIA'S GREAT RELAY RACES, APRIL 29.

Pennsylvania's Relay Races on April 29th will again be the biggest and most important sports of the season. At present writing (March 17th) though the date for the entries is still distant, there are over 150 teams entered and there will over 200 when the starter's pistol sends off the first race on the last Saturday of April. This will create a new record in the number of institutions represented at games in this country but this would not be sufficient to make the games memorable. Not only are the entries numerous but they are of the highest class. Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Cornell, Columbia, Chicago, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Dartmouth, Bucknell, Dickinson, Lehigh, Lafayette, Johns Hopkins, and in fact all the big colleges and the best of the minor colleges either have sent in their entries or sent assurances that they will have their athletes at the meet. The school entries are the best ever received. Philadelphia, New York, Boston, Brooklyn, Pittsburg, Washington, Detroit, Chicago, Buffalo, Cleveland, Baltimore, Worcester and scores of other places will be represented by their best teams. With such a gathering of the athletic clans, some magnificent races will surely result. The college championships are already attracting the widest attention because of the fact that the very best teams in the country are represented and new world's records are expected in each event. The day will thus be both interesting and exciting and as usual an enormous crowd will be on hand.

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**Miscellaneous items.**

➔ Maggie Mandrigan has left us and has gone to Utah to live with Captain Hall.

➔ The band boys who have joined the 7th Cavalry band are having a nice time.

➔ The Band is again at hard practice and it expects to give a concert on the band stand in the near future.

➔ Miss Stuart was ill a few days last week but is out again. Her pupils and friends are glad to see her improving.

➔ Miss Virginia Laroque, who has been working at Morristown N. J. returned last Saturday to resume her studies.

➔ Miss Beach attended the Bi-state Library Association which met at Atlantic City last Friday night and Saturday.

➔ Miss Goyituey took the girls out to the Reservoir and Cave Sunday, for the first time this spring. All enjoyed the walk.

➔ Alice M. Johnson is here for a short visit. Her country mother thought she deserved it for doing her very best out in the country.

➔ Celinda King '03 who has been visiting here since Commencement has gone to live with Mr. Bietzel's sister, Mrs. Cook at Dillsburg, Penna.

➔ Dr. Josiah A. Powlas of Oneida, Wisconsin writes that the majority of the Oneidas have been in good health during the past winter.

➔ In a letter to a friend we hear that Amelia Metoxen and Josephine Mark are enjoying themselves at their country home in Rosemont, Pa.—

➔ Myrtle Ingrain, one of our Carlisle students who is at Abington, Pa., has a very nice country home, and says she enjoys her work very much.—

➔ Miss Stella Blythe '05 who went to her home in North Carolina writes, that she is well and finds the arbutus gone, while here it has not bloomed.

➔ Miss Lena Cayuga a former student of Chillicothe writes to her sister Melinda that she is enjoying herself by helping her father put out a small vegetable garden.

➔ The Junior Varsity base-ball team, is composed of boys from the small boys quarters, is playing good ball and has already won several games from teams of the larger boys.

➔ On Saturday afternoon, the girls who did not go to the country were kept busy moving their trunks and other things to their new rooms as some changes had to be made.

➔ The base-ball enthusiasts have, witnessed some interesting and exciting games played back of the school house. Of these games the "Oglala" team has played five, and was successful in all.

➔ A letter has been received from Wm. Scott. He says that he passed his examinations, and that the members of the band are very kind to him. William enlisted in the 7th. Cavalry Band, U.S.A.—

➔ Adela Borrelli and Esperanza Gonzalo, two of our Porto Rican girls have left for Wildwood, N. J., where they expect to spend the summer. They will leave for their homes in Porto Rico next fall.

➔ Two Mountain fires could be seen from different parts of the school grounds on Sunday. It was a pretty sight in the evening as it showed up brightly against the mountain and the gathering dusk.—

➔ The Large Boys' prayer meeting last Sunday night was led by Miss Newcomer; the Small Boys' by Hastings Robertson; the Large Girls' by Ella Petosky, class '04 and the Small Girls' by Lapolio Cheago.

➔ Mr. Sprow and Mr. Weber with their details have about completed the laying of the new water pipes; and Mr. Leahman with his detail have sodded the bare places thus greatly improving the looks of the parade.

➔ A few boys have been monopolizing the diamond south of the school building, and it has become necessary to arrange a schedule that will permit several teams in rotation to use it, thus giving all an equal change.

**DR. BASEHOAR**, Dentist, extracts, and fills teeth. Painless. Carlisle, Will be at the School Hospital every Friday afternoon to see students needing his attention.

➔ A number of boys and girls have returned from the country and have entered the classes for which they have fitted themselves while going to the public schools during the winter.

➔ Last Saturday afternoon a practice game was held between two teams selected from the baseball candidates. The "Yanigans" won. Score 11 to 9.

➔ Rev. Dr. Shriner, of the M. E. Church, Carlisle, conducted the services last Sunday afternoon. His sermon was very forceable and made a strong impression on all in attendance.—

➔ We are grieved to announce the death of Ella Macy which occurred Saturday morning from consumption after a lingering illness. She was a girl of sterling character and will be greatly missed by her host of friends.

➔ The flowers you see blooming all over the grounds among the blades of grass, boys and girls, are not wild but are crocuses that were planted last fall. Do not pick them, they were placed there to help beautify the grounds.

➔ Peter Bero, the smallest boy in the school, is getting along very nicely in his school work. After a few lessons on the hen he wrote a composition which began; "The hen has four legs and two toes. Her mouth is long and hard." —

➔ Miss Bernice Peirce '05 has been teaching since she went home. She enjoys it although she has had no special training in that line. While at school Bernice became a first class cook, and we are pleased to know that she is employed though, not along the line of her special preparation.

➔ Miss Beach who attended the Library Association Convention in Atlantic City, N.J., reports having had a pleasant trip. She says that she heard many speeches but mentioned a particular one which was on books jumping out of their jackets and the cause of it. Miss Beach feels very much relieved in learning this because many of the books that are here in the school library have jumped out of their jackets. We are not alone responsible for it but a great deal rests upon the publishers.

➔ Last Thursday evening in the Gymnasium, the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. gave a reception to the 200 boys and girls who went to their country homes the following Friday and Saturday. There were many games played during the evening, that of "blindman's bluff," furnishing much amusement. Ice-cream and cake were served after which Mr. Venne and Miss Lay, Presidents of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., respectively, and Mr. Gansworth and Miss Bowersox, gave some good advice to the outgoing pupils.

Captain Mercer closed the evening's festivities with a few very apropos remarks which were alike valuable to employees as well as pupils. He emphasized the importance of loyalty and gave to those going out this motto, "Be true in all you do." It is hoped all will live up to it.

A great game of baseball was played this week in Philadelphia between the famous Athletics of the American League and the Philadelphia National's, the Athletics winning. The opposing pitchers were "King" Pittinger of Carlisle, and with whom many of us are acquainted, and Charles Bender, class 1902. Among other things the Philadelphia Press has this to say about Bender:

Bender's pitching last Saturday was something more than great; it was a positive relief to the Athletics' followers and should assure that club having another first class pitcher whose future on the diamond was somewhat misty. The "Chief's" rapid recovery from his operation for appendicitis is certainly surprising, indeed, to the Phillies it was startling. Few twirlers have ever shown such form in the Spring as Bender did last Saturday, and it proved that an Indian without an appendix, is more terrible than one with a tomahawk.

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**Academic Notes.**

➔ Delores Neves come in from the country last Saturday, and has joined the Freshman class.

➔ The Freshman Class are reviewing the history of the war of 1812. They find it very interesting.

➔ Deloris Neves and George Collins who just returned from the country have joined the Freshman Class.

➔ The small boys from the Normal room are helping to put the onions to bed. How could we do our gardening without the small boys?

➔ Wallace Denny has been elected captain and manager of the Seniors' track team and Louis Paul as a leader in songs and yells for the class.

➔ The nature study classes are making a study of seed germination and potato sprouting as seen in moist cotton and window boxes. Old Mother Earth is waking up so rapidly during these warm days that it will keep us busy watching its developments.

➔ The Freshmen have been busy lately organizing their class and elected the following officers Pres.—Roger Venne, Vice Pres.—Savanah Beck, Sec.—Robert Davenport, Treas.—Martha Day, Rep.—Lloyd Charles, Critic—Wm. Jones. They have chosen Orange and White as their class colors, and "ONWARD" as their motto.

**ATHLETIC NOTES.**

➔ Many candidates are trying for the baseball team and the various track and field events.

The following are showing up particularly well:

**BASEBALL**  
Captain Frank Jude, Joseph Twin, Michael Balenti, Lloyd Nephew, Wm. Gardner, Chas. Roy, Albert Exendine, Joseph Libby, Joseph Brown, Archie Libby, Henry Mitchell, Fritz Hendricks, James Schrimpscheer, James Parsons, Jesse Youngdeer, Antonio Lubo and Nicholas Bowen.

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Frank Jude, Andrew Doxtator, William Brady, Bertie Bluesky,

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Albert Exendine, Geo. Thomas, Nicholas Bowen,

There are others working up but have not had the chance to show what they can do yet.

100 Yds.; 220 Yds.; 440 Yds.—  
F. Mt. Pleasant, Andrew Doxtator, Wm Gardner, James Driver, Archie Libby, Wallace Denny.

**1/2 MILE**  
James Metoxen, Nicholas Bowen, Silas Schrimpscher, Charles Carter, Amos Thomas.

**1 MILE AND 2 MILE**  
Chauncey Charles, James Schrimpscher, James Metoxen, Samuel Brown, Eli Beardsley, Edward Fox, James Snow,

**HURDLING**  
Archie Libby, Elias Charles,

**HIGH JUMPING**  
Albert Exendine, Archie Libby, Antonio Lubo, Abram Hill, Geo. Thomas,

➔ "Do you think, professor," inquired the musically ambitious youth, "that I can ever do anything with my voice?" "Well" was the cautious reply, "it may come in handy in case of fire."

**SOCIETY NOTES.**

➔ The Susans rendered the following program at their regular meeting last Friday: Recitation, Martha Day; Impromptu Speech, Edith Miller; Piano Solo, Emma Hill; Essay, Juliette Smith. Debate—Resolved, that Napoleon did more harm than good to the cause of civilization. The negative side won.

➔ At the Standard Literary Society meeting last Friday evening the following officers were elected:—President, James Parsons; Vice President, Ignatius Ironroad; Recording Secretary, Charles Roy; Corresponding Secretary, Frank Lachapelle; Critic, Alexander Sauve; Assistant Critic, Joseph Sauve; Treasurer, Fred Waterman; Music Manager, Nicodemus Billy; Editor, Wm. S. Jackson; Sergeant-at-arms, James Compton.

➔ The Invincibles elected the following officers, Friday evening:  
President, Antonio Lubo; Vice-President, Jonas Jackson; Recording Secretary, Henry Mitchell; Corresponding Secretary, Elias Charles; Treasurer, John White; Critic, Albert Exendine; Sergeant-at-Arms, Grover C. Long; Reporter, August Mesplie; Asst. Sergeant-at-Arms, Frank Andrews.

The following question was then debated: Resolved, That a constitutional amendment should be secured giving to the Federal government exclusive control over divorces. Affirmative speakers—Arthur Mandan and Frank Andrews; negative speakers—Wallace Denny and John Archuleta.

The following letter has been received from one of our boys who recently enlisted in the 7th Cavalry Band.

FORT MYER, VA.

Mar. 24, 1905.

Dear friend Capt. Mercer;

It gives me very great pleasure to write to you that we are at last sworn in except Doctor, (the drummer) is an inch and a half too short but Capt. said he will try to get him in any way, but I heard this morning that Gen. Chaffee objected to him. Rollo Jackson had heart trouble and was turned down at the hospital but finally managed to let him pass so three of us were sworn in yesterday and received our clothing today. I am to take cornet and later on when the band gets larger I will have a french horn. We are all enjoying it here, it is just like a home to me and I can not feel that I am under any restrictions at all. The boys are very kind to us and willing to help us in every way. Thanking you for having afforded me this grand opportunity and I will make the best of it or "Stick".

Yours truly,  
CHILTSKI W. NICK.

**The Matter of Patience.**

John Diedrich Spreckles, the son of Claus Spreckles, is the proprietor of a San Francisco newspaper. To an editor, one day, Mr. Spreckles was talking about persistence, and in the course of his remarks he said:

"My father is a great believer in persistence—in patience. Once, when I was a boy, I abandoned in despair some childish task that I had undertaken, and my father reproved me for it.

"Persistence will do anything," he said. "There's nothing you can't accomplish with patience." And then he smiled slightly and added:

"You could even carry water in a sieve if you would have the patience to wait long enough."

"How long would I have to wait?" I said.

"Till it froze," my father answered."

**Russia's Breakfast Food Diet.**

It is said that hundreds of thousands of the Russian peasantry are so poor that the government takes all the wheat, rye and other high-class grains that they raise in payment for taxes, leaving them nothing but millet, which they eke out by mixing grass with it.

—New Haven Journal and Courier.

"Say, pa!"  
"Well, what?"  
"Why does the man in the band run the trombone down his throat?"  
"I suppose it is because he has a taste for music."—Town Topics

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For this tremendous literary productivity, his bold and original themes and the curious manner in which later invention has justified his random suggestion of scientific marvel the name of Jules Verne is likely long to stand in a class by itself.

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Only about eighty-four of M. Verne's novels have as yet been published, it having been his habit to write far ahead of the printer, and even to construct plots in his mind far in advance of his own industrious pen. Among the favorites of two generations may be named "Twenty Thousand Leagues Under the Sea," "A Journey to the Center of the Earth," "A Trip to the Moon," "The Mysterious Island," "Around the World in Eighty Days," which was dramatized and had a phenomenal run; "Michael Strogoff," which also has been dramatized; "Christopher Columbus," and "The Star of the South." One of his latest to appear, "Jean Marie Cabibonlin," came out in 1893.

MAKING MARBLES.

Many of the agate marbles that wear holes in the pockets of school-boys are made in the state of Thuringia, Germany. On winter days the poor people who live in the villages gather together small square stones, place them in moulds something like big coffee-mills, and grind them until they are round. The marbles made in this way are the common, printed, and glazed china, and imitation agates. Imitation agates are made from white stone and are painted to represent the pride of the marbles-player's heart—the real agate. Glass alleys are blown by the glass-blowers in the town of Lancha. The expert workmen take a piece of plain glass and another bit of red glass, heat them red hot, blow them together, give them a twist, and there is a pretty alley with the red and white threads of glass twisted inside in the form of the letter S. Large twist glass alleys with the figure of a dog or a sheep inside are made for very small boys and girls to play with. But the marbles that are most prized are the real agates.—Selected.

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THE CURVED BALL.

Most any ten-year old youngster can curve a ball, even though he does not know why he can do so except that the leather must be held in a certain way. Possibly a half dozen of the major league twirlers know something about the science of the curve, but comparatively few understand why they can produce their "benders." The Scientific American gives the following as the scientific explanation of the matter:

"The pitcher in the field tells us that the ball curves because he gives it a twist, but scientifically this will not do. Why will the twist make the curve? If a ball were thrown in a certain direction and if the force of gravitation were not at work the ball would continue on in a straight line forever. Some force of resistance is then at work when a ball is made to deviate in a curve from its straight course. If a feather is dropped in a vacuum in an exhausted receiver of an air pump it will drop like a shot, but if it is dropped out in the air it will go down irregularly and slowly, shifting from side to side.

"It is the atmosphere which causes the ball to curve. Bearing in mind that the atmosphere is a compressible, elastic gas, we find that when the ball leaves the hand of the pitcher with a rapid rotary motion it "impinges upon a continuous elastic cushion" and this moderate resistance, or friction, changes its course in the direction which is given to the rotary motion. Take an out shoot of a right handed pitcher, for instance. He impresses upon the ball a rapid centrifugal rotary motion to the left, and the ball goes to the left because the atmosphere, compressible and elastic, is packed into an elastic cushion just ahead of the ball by the swift forward and rotary motion, and the friction, which is very great in front of the ball, steers it in the direction which it is turning."

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TEETH AND AGE OF ANIMALS

At the Smithfield and Birmingham (Eng.) shows even a pig must pass a dental inspection before possessing the right to compete for prizes in a given class. The rules governing the age rating of animals at these shows are as follows:

Cattle having their central permanent incisors cut will be considered as exceeding one year and six months.

Cattle having their central permanent incisors fully up will be considered as exceeding one year and nine months.

Cattle having their second pair of permanent incisors fully up will be considered as exceeding two years and three months.

Cattle having their third pair of permanent incisors cut will be considered as exceeding two years and eight months.

Cattle having their fourth pair (corner) permanent incisors fully up and their interior molars showing signs of wear will be considered as exceeding three years.

Sheep having their central permanent incisors cut will be considered as exceeding ten months.

Sheep having their central permanent incisors fully up will be considered as exceeding twelve months.

Sheep having their third pair of permanent incisors cut will be considered as exceeding nine months.

Sheep having their third pair of permanent incisors fully up and the temporary molars shed will be considered as exceeding twenty-four months.

Sheep having their corner permanent incisors well up and showing marks of wear will be considered as exceeding three years.

Pigs having their corner permanent incisors cut will be considered as exceeding six months.

Pigs having their permanent tusks more than half up will be considered as exceeding nine months.

Pigs having their central permanent incisors up and any of the first three permanent molars cut will be considered as exceeding twelve months.

Pigs having their lateral temporary incisors shed and the permanents appearing will be considered as exceeding fifteen months.

Pigs having their lateral permanent incisors fully up will be considered as exceeding eighteen months.

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|                             | Phosphates. |         |
|-----------------------------|-------------|---------|
|                             | Lime.       | Acid.   |
|                             | Pounds.     | Pounds. |
| Clover hay, a ton.....      | 86          | 25      |
| Turnips .....               | 74          | 33      |
| Mangles.....                | 53          | 49      |
| Swedes.....                 | 42          | 22      |
| Beans.....                  | 33          | 32      |
| Meadow hay, 2 1-2 tons..... | 28          | 18      |
| Potatoes.....               | 26          | 27      |
| Oats, grain.....            | 12          | 19      |
| Wheat.....                  | 11          | 23      |
| Barley.....                 | 10          | 29      |

Farmers should burn their own lime kilns and apply in the fall as much as 25 bushels of unslaked lime to each acre. Two tons of clover extracts from the soil as much as 86 pounds of carbonate of lime. Lands that have been continuously cultivated in clover for twenty years have been robbed of all the available lime and the consequence is the land ceases to produce clover. The above quantity of lime per acre will be sufficient to last four years, but 200 pounds of acid phosphate should be applied each year and a crop of soja beans, peas or clover should come into the rotation every two years.

—Oklahoma Farmer.

Immigration Figures Broken.

Immigration to this country through the port of New York for the month of March reached unprecedented figures, the total arrivals numbering 97,000. Last year for the same month the arrivals were only 47,877.

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