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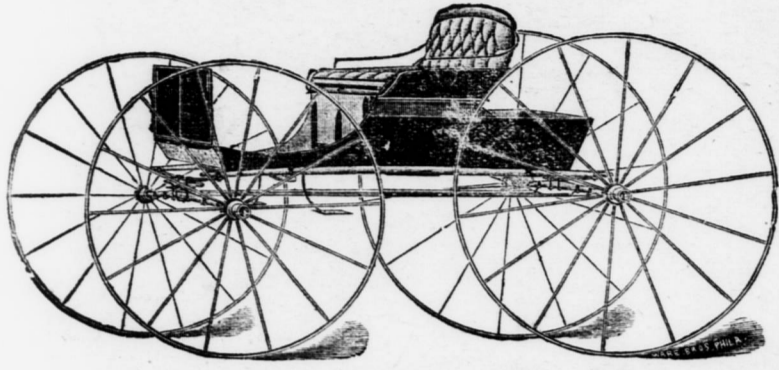
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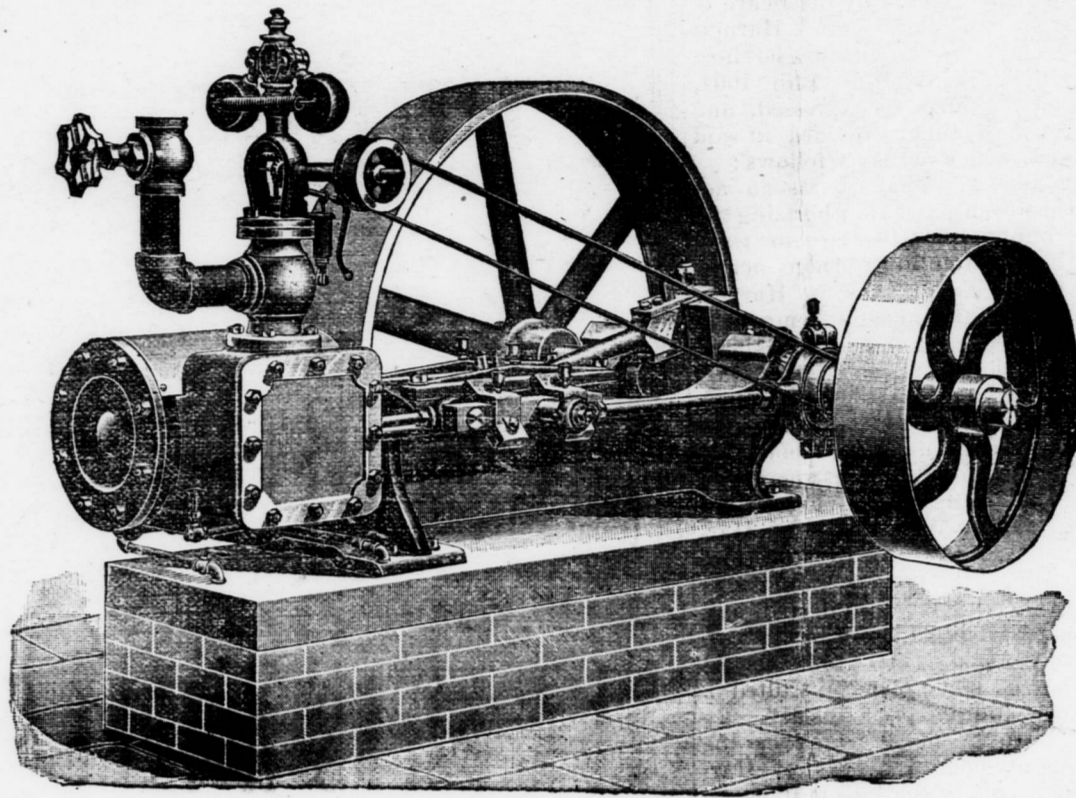


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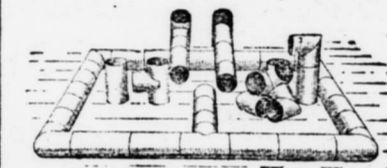
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Gov. Heard And The School Book Trust.

Last night's dispatches from Baton Rouge indicates that Governor Heard is after the School Book Trust with a black-horn club. On the first of August the present contract for textbooks for the public schools of the State will expire, and with a view to taking action preliminary to another contract, the State board of education was assembled at the capital yesterday. It has been charged upon reputable authority that the patrons in the public schools in Louisiana have been paying more for their textbooks than is the case in some other Southern States, and it was with a view to looking into this matter, as well as examining the merits of the textbooks offered by publishers, that a resolution was offered by Mr. Scarborough providing for the appointment of a committee composed of the presidents of the three great educational institutions supported by the State—the State University, the Normal School at Natchitoches and the Industrial School at Ruston—to examine into the merits of the books offered and to report the result of their investigations to the State board.

Most of the books in use in the public schools are controlled by the American Book Company, a powerful school book trust, whose methods have been the subject of much criticism and denunciation in a number of States, and many of whose books, both as regards price and merit, have met with strong objections in Louisiana. These facts being well known in this State, it is unfortunate that several members of the board yesterday felt that the resolution proposing to get expert opinion on the merits of the books offered for adoption might be construed into a reflection upon their capacity to make selections. The resolution was offered by one of the ablest members of the board, and any reflection upon the capacity of the board, resulting from this resolution, would have attached to the author of the resolution as well as to any other member. Being a clear-headed, public-spirited gentleman of the highest personal integrity, it is inconceivable that he should have introduced a resolution which impugned the capacity and motives of himself and his colleagues. In a matter of such vital importance to the people of this State in which both the price and quality for the next four years of the school books used in the thousands of public schools in Louisiana are involved, there is necessity for the utmost caution in proceeding. It is important that when the State board shall meet to finally act upon the se-

lection of the books to be used it should be in possession of expert opinion bearing both upon the mechanical and literary make-up of the books offered and of their adaptability to the needs of the schools. It is necessary, also, that this expert opinion should be free and unbiased by any connection with, or sympathy for, the book trust, which is now seeking to monopolize the educational system of the State, as it has dominated those of other States.

It has been suggested that Governor Heard acted arbitrarily in asking for the resignation of those members who, innocently, no doubt, opposed the plan designed to thwart the Book trust in their efforts to force high-priced and inferior books upon the school children of Louisiana. We grant that this action was arbitrary, but the situation had resolved itself to the point where a failure to act summarily would have placed the schools of this State for the next four years, completely at the mercy of the Book Trust. The arbitrary action of the Governor was, therefore, in the highest degree commendable, saving the State, as it did, from falling under the merciless despotism of the school book trust. While the States have the highest regard for the estimable gentlemen who felt it to be their duty to resign from the board, yet the fight in this State between now and the first of August is one between the people and the Book Trust, with Governor Heard on the side of the people. We must have cheaper school books, we must permit no book trust to place an embargo upon the education of the poorer classes of our people, nor must our public school system become but an adjunct of a remorseless and grinding trust.

But the book trust is a powerful force in this State and we charge Governor Heard to gird up his loins and make keen the edge of his glittering axe. The people who pay heavy tribute to the book trust are with him, but there is going to be tremendous commotion in Louisiana before this thing is settled. The book trust with its ramifications every parish in Louisiana, is as full of resources as an egg is of meat. Its emissaries are going to persuade many

people and many excellent teachers that the fight is inspired purely by rival book concerns and for selfish interests; they are going to raise a great hullabaloo about the great hardship which the Governor proposes to inflict upon the people by a change of textbooks. We should not be surprised to see petitions a mile long from teachers and parents who have been duped by the representatives of the creatures of this trust, protesting against any changes. School boards and teachers are going to resolute from Hell-forsartin to Kingdom Come, and there is going to be a tremendous uproar. Stand firm, Governor; grasp tightly the handle of your trusty axe and give the children of this State cheaper and better books, and, like the old countryman at the circus, cut off the head of a trust snake wherever you see one.—New Orleans Daily States.

Prospects in Alaska.

Col. P. H. Ray, who was for sometime in command of the Department of Alaska, gives some surprising information in regard to the farming possibilities of that country. According to him, oats, wheat, and all other kinds of grain can be grown anywhere in the Yukon Valley. Blue point grass grows two tons to the acre, and 1,400 bushels of potatoes have been grown on four acres of ground. Timothy has grown to a height of four feet, and in the section mentioned is growing wild for miles around. There is a great need of good roads, so the interior may be reached and settled by the people who will develop the country and create a large business on the Pacific Coast. The climate of Alaska, he says, is even better than on the plains of Wyoming, Montana, and some parts of Nevada. In all parts of Alaska, there are more hospitable winters. There are no severe snow storms in the interior, and in the dead of winter horses and cattle can be worked without danger of being frozen. People who go there expect to experience a great change in climate, but this is a mistake, for many persons seldom wear overcoats.

New Reunion Music.

A new piece of reunion music has been published by O. K. Houck & Co. of Memphis and Little Rock. For originality and brilliancy it cannot be excelled. It is called the "U. C. V. March," a two-step, composed by Theo. H. Northrup, and dedicated to the United Confederate Veterans. From a musical as well as an artistic viewpoint this production, issued especially for the coming reunion, is a masterpiece, and one that will live in the memory of those who hear it from scores of bands and orchestras here during the great gathering. The contrast of the brilliant catchy first part, with the sweet sadness of the memories of the great tragedy recalled by the conclusion, is where the composer has shown his art.

The cover is a beautiful thing, wrought in the old Confederate colors. The top of the sheet is adorned with a Confederate standard, with the letters "U. C. V." in blue. Below this are the portraits of Gens. Robert E. Lee and Nathan Bedford Forrest. To the right of this a fac-simile of the Confederate emblem—the famous reunion button. Two sheathed swords and a branch of olive are emblematic of the eternal peace of the old North and South, sections that no longer exist, and this effect is heightened by a furred flag, a shattered drum and a dismounted field gun at the base of the two portraits. It is a work of art and a credit to the designer.—Evening Scimitar (Memphis) May 13.

A Professional.

Church—You say your boy at college writes for the magazines? Gotham—Yes, he's written several articles for them. "I don't suppose he's a professional writer?" "What do you mean?" "Why, he doesn't write for money." "Doesn't he?" You ought to see some of the letters he writes to me!

SUCCESS.

Wealth cannot make a man, and a genius may be a failure. Industry, energy, stickability, common sense and sober, steady habits will insure any young man success, writes the philosopher of The Nashville American. If he has not the capacity to make a fortune, the chances are that he has not the judgment to hold the wealth if it should be given to him. The great majority of men prominent in the world's affairs have climbed the ladder from the bottom rung. A list filling many columns might be cited in support of this assertion. President McKinley's cabinet affords an instance. Secretary Hay was a clerk in early life; Secretary Gage began as a bank clerk; Secretary Root set out for himself as a school teacher; Postmaster General Smith began life as a printer and worked his way from the case to the editorship of The Philadelphia Press; Secretary Long was a farmer boy; Secretary Hitchcock began as clerk in a small store; Secretary Wilson was a farm hand, but finally purchased a farm of his own and worked his way up. Only two members of the Cabinet, Hay and Knox, received a collegiate education. President McKinley, himself, was a poor boy; Mark Hanna, who is regarded as "next friend" to the president, was a day laborer in his youth. He married the daughter of a rich man, but he refused to marry and live with his father-in-law, and waited until he could establish himself in a business and provide a cottage of his own for his wife. The men who succeed begin at the bottom. They learn the value of labor and despise no toil which fall to their hands. The young man who is determined to succeed will succeed.—Atlanta Constitution.

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Dumb to Her Father.

A curious story comes from North Carolina, which is, however, vouched for by a reliable citizen and is here given for a fact on that responsibility. Mr. and Mrs. John W. Belk residing in North Carolina, some 150 miles from here are the parents of sixteen children, all of whom are normal and like any other children save one. This one, Miss Dossie Belk, is now 25 years of age, and in all these years has never spoken to her father. With other members of the family she is pleasant, kind and talks as freely as do they, but if asked a question or spoken to by her father she is dumb, and always has been since birth, what the reason is for this she is as unable to tell as are her brothers and sisters. She simply cannot speak to him, and though she hears and obeys him, she has to use others as a medium of conversation with him. This has been a source of great grief and worry to Mr. Belk, but is inexplicable by him and by all who have investigated the matter, among the latter being learned physicians. The theory of intuitive natural aversion, such as renders some men or women paralyzed at the sight of a snake or spider or mouse or toad or any other one particular object, may account for it, but the reason is as far off as ever, if such hypothesis be accepted.—Danville Va. Register.

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