

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

A Brief Summary of Happenings Everywhere for Busy Readers.

The twelfth death in the strange epidemic among Boston children occurred in Lynn when Virginia F. Brown, aged five years, succumbed despite expert medical attention.

The performing of 24 sterilization operations upon patients in the state home for the feeble-minded at Chipewa Falls, Wis., has been completed by Dr. J. V. R. Lyman, all having been successful.

Maurice Walsh, who was paroled from Leavenworth prison after serving part of his term for election frauds, returned to his home in Terre Haute, Ind., and was restored to his position as county assessor by the commissioners.

Miss Margaret Curtiss, 18 years old, of Greenwich, Conn., home from school for the holiday vacation, disappeared a few nights ago, and, after a protracted search, her body was found in a clump of bushes.

Frank Goeway Jones, author-forgery, recently completed his year on parole by disbursing more than \$3,000 to his creditors.

Secretary of State Lansing has instructed Ambassador Page and Sharp at London and Paris, respectively, to inquire whether the British and French governments will permit the shipment of condensed milk to Germany and Austria for distribution to the American Red Cross.

The establishment of "soup kitchens" for the birds in the cemeteries and city parks has been proposed by A. J. Watson, of Kansas City, Mo., scout commissioner, who offers to have Boy Scouts maintain them if the cost necessary is furnished free.

New York is now the largest city in the world. London, by reason of losses occasioned by war and because of a gigantic mistake in estimating population, is forced to admit that the American metropolis is larger by about 250,000.

Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 19.—"Take him. I freely consent to his enlistment and recommend him to you as a good fighting man.

So wrote a Horseheads, N. Y., wife to Sergeant Frank X. Blecher, in charge of the local recruiting station of the United States Marine Corps.

Sergeant Blecher, upon receipt of the letter, rejected as undesirable the Horseheads applicant who sought to exchange martial law for martial law.

My home is on the mountain steep; I come for rabbits in the deep, And as I pluck them from the tangle, I send them to the angry cove, Then to my kitchen I hit, And stick a slice of codfish pie.—Seymour.

Some Holy Remarks.

By Simpkins.

A little woman sometimes gets a man into big trouble.

Discords exist to make symphonies more beautiful.

Money may get tight occasionally but it never stutters.

An arm sprained in loving is soon able to be around.

When praying for rain be consistent. Carry an umbrella.

One way to live without work is to work somebody else.

A fellow always feels his oats just after taking his rye.

Usually when a man finds his Paradise the gate is locked.

Too many women tell a joke the same way they throw a brick.

Our dreams carry us in carriages, our realities force us to walk.

When a man is on the water wagon everybody wants to treat.

She who saucers the cook should be prepared to cook the sauce.

A dentist ought to be a good poker player. He is so good at filling.

When a hold-up man with a gun asks for assistance he usually gets it.

The homelier a man is, the more anxious he seems to be to prove it by having his picture taken every time he gets a chance.

A diplomat is one who can "kid" his wife into keeping the garden free from weeds by bragging about what a fine agriculturist she is.

When a young man begins to hang around a grocery store and ask what things cost it is a safe conclusion that some girl is going to get married.

It is a sort of self applied insult when the man who lets his wife take in washing asks the man who wants to marry his daughters, if he can support her.

She told him she wouldn't marry him until he had done something brave. He started in to court the girl next door and she sent word the second night that he was the bravest man she had ever met.

Still Preaching at 100.

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Read Your Paper.

"To live as a member of the great white race of men, to share its thoughts and its aspirations, it is necessary that a man should read his newspaper," said U. S. Senator Sterling, of South Dakota, in an address to the students at the University of South Dakota.

"Take Him."

Syracuse, N. Y., Jan. 19.—"Take him. I freely consent to his enlistment and recommend him to you as a good fighting man. However, if he serves his country like he serves his wife, God save this noble land of ours."

Don't Think We Have.

Columbia State: "It's funny how much prettier a girl always is in her photograph." "By, mister, did you ever see one of 'em in a kimono with fur all 'round the bottom and lace all 'round the top and all that kind of stuff?"—Hampton County Guardian.

They say death eyes up all scenes, but it will require a whopping McGuffin to cover the sins of 1915.

WHY, SUE THE COMPANY?

A Man Misses Mustache Will Sue For Great Damages.

Certainly, sue the company right or wrong—but if right, do not falter. It is one of the greatest mistakes of life we make in not suing the company often enough.

As a result of an explosion of a coal stove Dr. W. S. Galloway, a prominent physician of Henderson, Ky., is seeking to collect \$3000 for the loss of his mustache.

He has written the home office explaining that his mustache was nine inches from tip to tip and that he had been twenty years in growing same.

Think of a man devoting twenty years of his fair, young life to developing such a wide sweep of a moustache—nine inches in length—and to have it wiped off in the twinkling of an eye.

Habitatation Tax.

Victor Morawetz, a New York corporation lawyer, proposes a habitatation tax as a means to force each citizen to contribute to the government in proportion to the luxury in which he lives, and to prevent tax-dodging.

The Hay-Rack Ride.

The hay-ride, like many other pastimes, is caught in the whirl of mechanical revolution, and must usually pass from custom to a fad.

Time was when yellow harvest time their glamor used to hold; When sweeping mist and frosty air, The timid heart made bold— And, Ah! to feel the slender form A-nesting at one's side—

Time was when beat of horses' feet Upon the hard highroad Was music to the youthful ears; That formed the hay-rack's load; Today the chugging motor car Disturbs the countryside— Quite out-of-date, forgotten, is The old-time hay-rack ride.

Time was when 'en a slender girl Of comedy would please; When crowded in amid the hay, Sweethearts might hug and squeeze; Ah, merry was the laughter then! Convention was defied— And, ah! what loves were kindled on The old-time hay-rack ride!

The Work That Must Be Done.

It's not the work you'd like to do, The work that pleases most, Or represents the best in you, Of which you really boast; It's work that's done from loyalty, That means a triumph won; And one's best work must ever be The work that must be done.

For time and tide wait for no man, And Duty's clarion call Rings out; you do the best you can, You give your heart and all; Though oft the heart is full of care, And hidden be the sun, The world will judge you, if you care, By work that must be done.

What though the leak heartbreaks, Or scarce seem worth the while? The painted clown you sometimes see, Night reason in this style, His sorrows—what are they to you? His to provide the fun; And thus he does, as you must do, The work that must be done.—Selected.



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