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This Date in History—Sept. 28.

406 B. C. Battle of Marathon; remarkable victory of 10,000 Greeks over more than 10 times as many Persians. 855—The Emperor Lothaire died. 1197—Henry VI, emperor of Germany, died. 1742—Jean Baptiste Massillon, celebrated French preacher, died. 1763—John Byrom, English author, died, aged 72. 1789—Thomas Day, eccentric author of "Sandford and Merton," died at Wargrave-upon-Thames. 1870—Strasbourg surrendered to the Germans. French losing at every point. 1892—The bed of the Michigan river broke through into the Mansfield mine, Michigan, and drowned 25 miners.

SENATOR HILL AS A PROTECTIONIST.

The New York Sun says: In the very remarkable speech delivered by Senator Hill in opening the Saratoga convention he was careful to declare, clearly and frankly, his position upon the great question between protection and the tariff for revenue only, as set forth in the Chicago platform of the democratic party. According to this declaration Mr. Hill stands with Mr. Cleveland, Professor Wilson, and so many other members of the democratic party, against the democratic doctrine of revenue only and for the doctrine of protection. The difference between these democratic protectionists and Governor McKinley and other republican protectionists, is only as to the special subjects and the degree of protection, not as to the principle. They find authority enough in the constitution for the imposition of protective duties, though the Chicago platform denies that there is any such authority. They make a great account of free raw materials; and they would never consent to lay a duty on tea or coffee, not to mention sugar. In their free list they are no longer moderate protectionists, as they are in regard to most manufactured goods; they carry protectionism to its extremist limits. This is Mr. Hill's attitude; and if we can understand the often contradictory acts and utterances of Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Wilson, and the great mass of our democratic journals, including such able organs as the Utica Observer, the Buffalo Courier, and the Rochester Union and Advertiser, it is their attitude also. They are all protectionists. As for the doctrine of tariff for revenue only, they reject and condemn it more or less plainly and more or less honestly.

Now, Senator Hill, Senator Murphy and Governor Flower have a right to occupy this attitude and to preach this doctrine, but President Cleveland and Mr. Wilson, not to mention a hundred others, have no such right. It was not upon the Chicago platform that Messrs. Hill and Flower were elected to the offices they occupy; while Mr. Cleveland, Mr. Wilson and the others accepted their nomination upon the Chicago platform, and were elected as believing in its doctrine, and as bound to do all in their power to carry out its pledges.

These are the facts; and while they demonstrate that Senator Hill, Senator Murphy, Governor Flower, Senator Brice, Senator Gorman and many who hold with them are in honor perfectly free to contend for protection as they may judge advisable, President Cleveland, Mr. Wilson and all democratic representatives in congress who were elected in 1892, are bound in honor to stand by the tariff for revenue only and to oppose protective duties and the protectionist free list in every form and under all circumstances. For them to do anything else is a confession of fraud and imposture.

As for the democratic newspapers that hold to protection and justify Cleveland, Wilson & Co., while they praise the new tariff law, income tax and all, as at least a partial fulfillment of the Chicago platform, we hope they are honest; but if they are, their intelligence is unusually defective.

GROVER WILL TELL.

The New York Morning Advertiser says: A boy of fifteen years has written to President Cleveland confessing that when he was thirteen years old he used two canceled postage stamps on letters. Since learning that his act was an offense against the government he has been constantly stung by his conscience, and now to atone for the wrong he incloses the cost of three stamps and begs forgiveness for what he had done. How Mr. Cleveland will roar over this boy's letter! It will suggest to our great president how he has himself seized government vessels and appropriated them to his own use at a cost to the people of a hundred dollars a day, and not a pang of conscience has come to trouble him. How his oleaginous sides will shake as he reads this poor boy's letter! And as the six cents will have to be turned over to the conscience fund of the United States treasury, Secretary Carlisle, who abducted the John D. Rodgers for a trip to Gray Gables and back, will also have a chance to enjoy the rare joke. To the public this incident will suggest the query "When will President Cleveland and Secretary Carlisle make their contributions of the conscience fund?"

A Mrs. Washburne in Chicago has gone into politics. Men should retire from the political line.

Our nation swilled 88,777,187 gallons of spirits in twelve months' time. Why shouldn't this amount be less in 1895?

Grover is glum and silent, and he refuses to talk of the nominations. He says he is out of politics. When a reporter revealed the fact to him he said "I am out of politics now." What is the matter?

President Kilgo's subject at Raleigh tonight will be "Our Young Men." We are sure that he will render his subject in proper shape and he will also round it up. THE GLOBE is well acquainted with the professor and everybody in Raleigh should hear him.

The New York Sun this morning presents its readers with a picture of David B. Hill and Daniel N. Lockwood. From David's picture he is in good health and can fill the place for which he was nominated by acclamation. He is the man that fills the bill.

The democratic state convention at Saratoga yesterday broke away from the control of its chairman, and with great enthusiasm nominated that chairman, David B. Hill, for governor by acclamation. The ticket was completed by the nomination of Daniel N. Lockwood, of Buffalo, for lieutenant governor, and William J. Gaynor, of Brooklyn, for judge of the court of appeals. The convention was harmonious in every respect.

ALL OVER THE COUNTRY. In Berlin sheet music is sold by the pound. In this country a good deal of it is played by the same method.

Another great European violinist is coming. Ysaye wants a share of American dollars and will begin a tour of the country next month. The musical papers commend him very highly.

A Pittsburg has conceived a plan for filling bicycle rubber tires with whiskey instead of wind, so that when a puncture takes place he can save the contents and get a head at the same time—a great head.

The Chinese naval reserves are now censured for having hugged the shore at Yalu. Still, they were only reserves, and if there was nothing but the shore around which to throw their arms what could be expected?

According to the statistical abstract of the United States, the total cost of the liquors of all kinds consumed in this country is over \$16 per capita, about \$80 a year for every family, twice as much as the total amount of the federal revenue.

A Boston young man has gotten into trouble by advertising to furnish a receipt by which ladies may keep their hat in place without the use of a hat pin, mauling the secret for fifty cents. His idea was simply a rubber band or string which loops under the chin.

Nelly Bly is a saucy child. She has asked Senator Hill whether he was ever in love, and the daring girl says he blushed, and remarked it was delicate. Then she talked to him about his eyes. When a woman talks to a man about the color of his eyes, there is a crisis in the air. Nelly says of the senator's eyes: "In one light they are blue, in another gray. When I told him they were both blue and gray, he said he thought the combination—the blue and the gray—a very good one for a politician."

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FALLACY OF SUICIDE.

The Obligations of Life Cannot Be Surrendered. In spite of the instinctive clinging to life and shrinking from death that is so universal even under the most unfavorable and sorrowful conditions, there are, alas! too many instances in which this instinct proves no barrier to the voluntary termination of life itself. Suicide is, indeed, seemingly one of the attendant evils of civilization, and is by no means confined to the ignorant or abject classes. We are constantly confronted with the fact that neither material advantages nor intelligence, nor education, nor even a good moral record, are proof against this disloyalty to life. Many causes are adduced for this act—grief, shame, remorse, despair, being among the most numerous. But perhaps the foundation cause, which underlies all others; may be said to be the common habit of thinking that life is only to be valued for the happiness it yields. Many people grow up with the idea that if personal life be not personally happy it is useless. Thus, when they come to some epoch when sorrow triumphs over joy, failure over success, pain over pleasure, life loses all meaning to them, and is easily parted from.

This view of life is essentially untrue and most injurious. While we may never know how far it is responsible for actual suicide, it is certain that if carried out to its full conclusions it would tend in that direction. Happiness is a normal and rightful condition, one which should be expected and valued, and within certain limits sought, for self and others. But it is never the whole of life, only a part, and a part which cannot be exacted. Life contains it, but it also contains a great deal more—work, service, manhood, duty, responsibility; and if these receive the rightful emphasis in thought and heart, no suggestion of suicide could find any lodgment.

It would be well if the true character of this act were more fully drawn and realized than it generally is. Our pity dwells on the sufferings which were so great as to overcome the natural love of life, and our compassion for the afflicted one blinds us to the intrinsic selfishness and cowardice of his deed. Take, for instance, the frequent occurrence of loss of fortune, bankruptcy, perhaps disgrace. Let the consequent agony be what it may, what is the position of him who, to escape it, throws away the life which he holds in trust? He leaves his family not only to all the hardships and suffering which he refuses to endure, but also to the additional grief of his loss and to the life-long bitter memory of his end. His duties as a husband, a father, a son, a brother, he casts to the winds. All the possibilities of retrieving his losses, of building up another business, of providing for those who are rightly dependent upon him for support, he deliberately throws away. His obligations as a citizen, a friend, a man among men, he ruthfully ignores. All opportunities of atoning to those he may have wronged he discards. Is any deserter from a battle-field half so disloyal and faithless as he? The one runs away from a single duty; the other abandons them all and forever.

It matters little what is the form of suffering which tempts such a course. It may be the wrecking of hopes by bereavement, or by the perfidy of another; it may be despair produced by repeated disappointments; it may be the pangs of remorse for his own guilt. In any case, it is his duty to bear it like a man, not to shrink from it like a coward. What though happiness be gone? Duty remains. Life is not a plaything, to be used as long as it gives pleasure, and then cast aside. It is an imperative trust, a continuous obligation, from which no grief, no loss, no shame, can ever absolve us. No one, indeed, is able to predict that even happiness is gone forever. It is not an unmeaning proverb that "the darkest hour is just before the dawn." Often when hope is quenched and sorrow overwhelms us, unexpected help is near. The future may hold brighter things in store; new power to retrieve the past may be generated within us. And always the courage and heroism which accept the burdens of life and follow the call of duty, however footsore and weary, bring to the heart a peace and serenity which are not far from true happiness. To cut away and destroy in a moment all these possibilities is as foolish as it is wrong. Nevertheless, it is upon far more solid and ethical grounds than this that the obligation of preserving and cherishing life should be based.

This principle needs more emphasis in the training of youth. That our life is a trust—that we exist, not mainly for happiness, but for service—is a truth which can be established at a very early age. Little children can be taught to love and to help one another, until what may at first have been self-sacrifice becomes a pleasurable duty. They should also be taught that true self-care tends to the same end. There is a fallacious custom of thinking that what we do for ourselves ends with self. Many children who are brought up in habits of cleanliness and temperance, who early learn to take care of their health and exert their faculties, have no other motive presented to them than their own good. Yet nothing is clearer than that all these things tend also to their value to others, and this motive should never be overlooked. It is no abstract theory, nor is it difficult so to present it to the young mind and weave it into the young life as to give a higher meaning to all that is done for personal welfare. There is no rigid line between duties to self and duties to others. They melt into one another; they act and react upon each other; and when the right balance between them is destroyed neither can be perfectly fulfilled. When it comes to be fully recognized that self-care and self-improvement are social obligations as well as personal ones, then the duty of self-preservation will rest upon a firmer basis, and the act of suicide will be everywhere regarded with the abhorrence which its selfish and cowardly character deserves.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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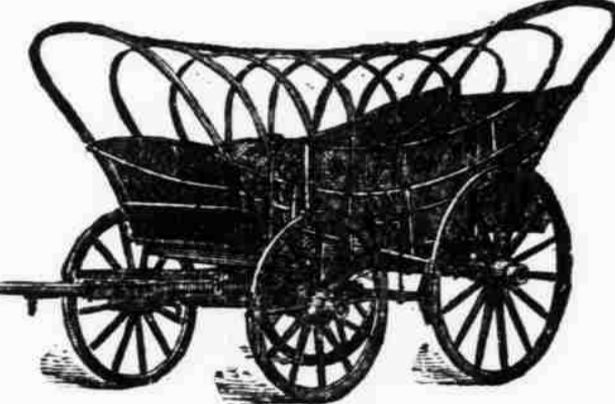
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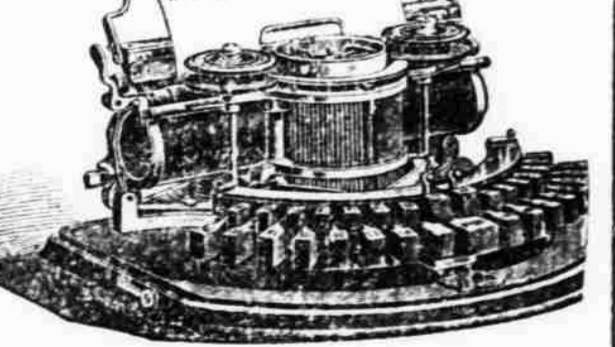
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