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ADVERTISING RATES ON APPLICATION

There seems to be some talk among newspaper men and public officials, looking to the re-establishment of the old time whipping post. To those that have noticed the utter disregard that chronic evil-doers show for our tunitive laws this does not appear so farfetched or frrelevant, as the criminal statutes do not seem to be sufficiently deterrent to this class of people, but that the return to the whipping post would have a salutory effect on them. The Lumberton Robesonian, a well edited newspaper, with a strong policy, favors unqualifiedly the return to the whipping post as the following extract from that paper will

"It is said that a bill, which will pass, will be introduced in the Virginia legis-lature to revive the whipping post. Why not in North Carolina? Thieving fingers not is North Carolina? Thieving fingers would then shrink from petty larceny as the human hide shrinks from the whirring lash of correction, wielded by vigorour hands. And if law is for preventative as well as punishment of crime, the salest, surest and cheapest plan is to inaugurate the terrors of the whipping

While we fully agree with the Robe sonian as to the conditions, we do not think that our government should be retruactive in its legislation for punitive laws, but rather cast about for other remedies that would not be barbarle in its principle yet be fully as deterrent in iteffect. We won't be very apt to revive the whipping post.

SOME RAPID TRAVELERS

Light Is the Record Holder, With Electricity Second

The fastest traveler known is light. which flashes through space at the rate of 188,300 miles a second. It covers a distance equal" to seven and a half times the circumference of the earth while one can count four.

Electricity ranks next in speed to light. Under the most favorable circumstances its velocity is the same as that of light, but in practical telegraphy, says a writer in the Philadelphia Record, owing to resistance which it has to overcome, it lags a little behind light.

Comets sometimes travel pretty fast When they are at a great distance from the sun, toward which they are drawn by its attraction, they jog along rather leisurely, but as they approach the sun they move faster and faster like a wheel which is rolling down hill, and if they pass very close to the sun they may whisk by it at a speed of more than 300 miles a second.

The earth travels lu its orbit round the sun at the rate of over eighteen mites a second. Meteors sometimes plunge into the earth's atmosphere with a velocity of over forty miles a second, and many of the stars are known to be traveling in various directions even more rapidly than that.

Sound travels in water 4,900 feet in one second, in air 1,090 feet. A minie ball leaves the muzzle of the rifle with a speed of 1,200 feet a second. A cannon ball may start on its flight with a speed anywhere from 700 to 2,000 feet a second, according to the size of the

WEIGHT OF THE BRAIN.

The Masculine Organ Reavier That

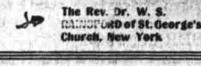
M. Marchand has investigated the brains of 1,173 persons immediately after death. The weight of the brain is influenced by the disease. Diphtheria for example, increases the weight. The brains of newborn boys weigh on an average 371 grains, of newborn girls 361. At the end of the first year the figures are: Boys, 967; girls, 893. By the end of the third year the weight of the brain has tripled, and from this epoch it increases very slowly, especial ly with girls. It attains its greatest weight at about nineteen and one-half years for men and at about seventeen

The average weight of the brain of an adult male is 1,400 grams, of an adult female 1,275 grams. The reduction of weight due to senile atrophy numences with men about the eight icth year, with women about the sev entieth year. We may recall for com-parison the following facts: The heavi-est brain on record is that of the nov-elist Turgeneff, 2,120 grains. One of the lightest is that of Gambetta, 1,160

The weight of the brain is thus on factor, and only one, in the comparison of different men and of different sexes

"Yes, he was lynched on his birth "What a coincidence!"-Atlanta Con-

WANTED-NEWSPAPERS THAT TELL THE PLAIN







HE CHIEF DANGER THREATENING THE LIFE OF THIS COUNTRY TODAY IN MY JUDGMENT ARISES IN THE UNSATISFACTORY STATE OF JOURNALISM MORE THAN FROM ANYTHING ELSE.

There are journals with an immense sale whose one effort is to exploit the news of the country rather than to tell the truth. No lie is more misleading or

vicious than a half statement or perversion.

DEMOCRACY MUST ULTIMATELY SUCCEED, FOR DEMOCRACY AND CHRISTIANITY ARE ONE; BUT DE-MOCRACY AS A POLITICAL EXPERIMENT IN THIS COUNTRY MAY NOT SUCCEED AT ALL. Democracy as a government has failed before, as Mr. Lecky ably proves, and may fail again; but, though this country and that country fail, the principle of democracy must ultimately win, for it is God's truth.

The one thing that threatens our democracy in this country is the perverse effort to spread before the people not the truth itself, but the truth garbled, distorted when it suits the purpose of the paper, absolutely suppressed or perverted. Two parties to a struggle by this method are each slandered to the other, any wicked, lying subterfuge adopted to make excitement, to arouse curiosity, to heat passion, and so to make a paper sell.

THE AUTHORS OF THIS SORT OF JOURNALISM ARE THE WORST PUBLIC ENEMIES IN THE LAND. THEY ARE INJECTING POISON INTO THE YOUNG AND HEALTHY VEINS OF A GREAT PEOPLE.

Millions have been spent in colleges and millions in libraries, and the money has been well spent. Sure as you live, the time is at hand when farseeing men will come forward prepared to spend millions in placing the truth, so far as it can be ascertained, before the people of these United States—the truth about politics, the truth about finance, the truth about art, the truth about business-a true statement of the news of the world, not to bolster up a cause, not to make a fortune, not to push a party, but the truth for its own sake because the cause of humanity, which is the cause of democracy, can live by nothing else than the truth.

THE USE OF PETROLEUM AS FUEI

By RAYMOND L. BERNIER, Editor National Oil Reporter



T has been almost a third of a century since liquid fuel for steamships first came into use. The first oil burning vessel appeared on the Caspian sea in 1870. TODAY ABOUT 200 VESSELS ON THAT GREAT INLAND SEA ARE OIL BURNERS.

OIL BURNING STEAMSHIPS NOW PLY TO ALMOST EVERY PORT. BUT A FEW WEEKS AGO TWO OIL BURNING VESSELS REACHED BOSTON CARRYING CARGOES OF WELSH COAL. IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF SIXTY STEAMSHIPS PLYING FROM THE PORT OF SAN FRANCISCO BURN LIQUID FUEL.

Oil is burned upon the Southern Pacific, Santa Fe and other great railway systems of this country and on railways in England, France and Russia. Within the last year the consumption of coal in California has decreased by one-half, due to the increased use of liquid fuel. I am willing to go on record as saying that Texas oil could be taken to New York in tank steamers and burned at a much less cost to the consumer than anthracite coal at ordinary prices.

THE ADVANCE OF ART IN THIS COUNTRY

By F. D. MILLET, American Artist



ARIS IS CERTAINLY THE BEST PLACE FOR THE STU-DENT WHO IS BEGINNING THE STUDY OF ART, FOR IN NO OTHER PLACE IS THERE SUCH AN EDUCA-TIONAL SYSTEM.

In Paris the great artists have classes which they visit about once a week and to which they give advice and instruction, practically without charge.

Of course in the case of the finished artist the place where the work is done does not figure much. Some prefer to live in Paris, but I enjoy living in England. Just as good work can be done in England as in France.

ART HAS ADVANCED IN THIS COUNTRY. THIS ADVANCE DATES FROM THE TIME OF THE CHICAGO FAIR. Now we have in this country some of the finest decorations under way anywhere in the world. It is possible for the student to get an art education without going out of this country. It is not necessary for one to go to France to finish an education, but, of course, it is good to go there for observation. A student will go where there are fine paintings to be seen and studied.

SINGERITY AND THE GOOD SINGER

By W. L. TOMLINS, Director of Chicago's National School of Music



T SHOULD BE AS NATURAL FOR A CHILD TO SING AS IT IS FOR HIM TO LAUGH. His joy of living, his sense of companionship, find natural utterance in simple song forms. His will "plays" in rhythm, his mind "plays" in melody and

his heart "plays" in harmony. These three when co-ordinated are capable of expressing the innermost self.

THE ARTIFICIAL SONG VOICE, HOWEVER SWEET AND SMOOTH, IS AS EMPTY AND WORTHLESS AS A MAKE BELIEVE LAUGH. SINCERITY IS THE TEST.

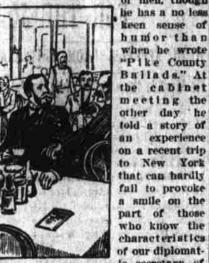
To be sincere is to be yourself, to be all of you. So the voice should be real. It should go out to others in joy and playful com-panionship and thus become one of the higher forms of self expres-

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YARNS of the NATIONAL CAPITAL

[Special Correspondence.] Washington, Dec. 16.—Secretary Hay. who, by the way, bas had much of late to ruttle his temper in connection with the negotiation of a Panama canal treaty with the Colombian government, is one of the most dignified and suave of men, though

he has a no less



MAY, SPORT, FERRY IC SECRETARY OF OVER THE CONFEC. State. He went TIONERY."

Meeting

On a

over on a midnight train and in the morning stopped at the station restaurant in Jersey City for a cup of coffee. While he was drinking his coffee and nibbling a roll a large red faced man who was not at all impressed by dignity nudged the secretary of state with a vigorous elbow afid, pointing to the sugar, said:

"Say, sport, ferry over the confectionery, will you?"

The relations of President Roosevel and his cabinet are of course of the most cordial nature, but

there are frequently differences of opinion as to minor questions of political policy which lead to rather spirited debate. This suits the president, as he likes to have the members of his cabinet speak their minds frankly, even when differing from him. The

most frequent of these "quarrels" is between the president and the secretary of war, who, though the closest personal friends, are sometimes at odds on public questions.

It is no secret, for instance, that Secretary Root opposed the president's plan to settle the coal strike and argued strenuously to dissuade him from interposing. It is also known that Secrepary Root differed with the president as to certain recommendations in the late message to congress, and the matter was fought out with the vigor and frankness characteristic of the two

During the days when the message was being discussed in cabinet sessions, with more or less of strenuousness and divergency of view, Postmaster Genthe president and the other members of the cabinet and of course sent an invitation to Secretary Root, who returned this reply:

"I shall be glad to attend your dinner and meet the president on a friendly basis."

At the opening of congress Chaplain Conden said in his invocation:



"To this end let thy blessings descend in full measure upon our president and his advisers, on the congress now convened and upon the department of Justice, that in all these branches thy will may be done and righteousness, peace and prosperity prevail."

Just why the department of justice and incidentally its head. Attorney General Knox, should have been sin-gled out from the other executive deartments as a subject for prayer is not known. Representative Shattuc of Ohio explains it this way:

"The chaplain probably meant to say the supreme court, or else he remem-bered that the attorney general is from Pennsylvania and needs all the help he can get."

About the capitol cloakrooms and hotel corridors there is an unusual display of senatorial humor in which southern sena-tors figure. It is related Falled



that a certain statesman from the south visited Oyater Bay while that place was the temporary national capital and went to one of the Long Island resorts and spent the

ight. The season was aging rapidly, nd the weather was chilly. The next norning the senator complained bitter-y of the suffering be had endured that light on account of the cold. "Couldn't you get any extra bed-tothes?" inquired a sympathetic by-

No. sub." was the mouruful reply I get up and tried to find a comforter, out when I get downstairs I found the ear was closed up."

Just before congress reassembled. Representatives Grosvenor of Ohio and Champ Clark of Misseuri had a joint deliate, in a western New York town. They were taying all manner of mean things about each other and giving the Democratic and Republican parties in miscisled. Finally they became personal and made encomplimentary remarks a legit eath other. The suddence thought they were coming to blums.

This 'il be great reading for the boxs.

m't it?" maid Clock up he and G ral Grosvenor left the stand arm !

The people gaped in astonishme "I'm going back bome," said Thom Shevlin, the Republican national committeeman from Min-

Lost His

nesota, to Senator Clapp of that state, whom he was visiting in the national capital, the other day. "I've only been here three days, and I have already lost my identi-

Senator Clapp returned a mild pro-

"Oh, yes," said Sheviln, "it's true. I fore somebody came up to me and said. 'How do you do, Colonel James Hamilton Lewis? And as I was walking down the street a young chap pointed me out and said, "There goes the father of the greatest football player in America.' meaning my son.

"When I am taken for Ham Lewis and pointed out as my son's father within an hour, it is time for me to go back to the lumber yard."

Postmaster General Payne, who lives at one of the principal Washington ho tels, got to figuring up his living expenses the other night. After think-

Why He Favors Salary

went to his landlord and "Here I get \$8,000 a year salary. How much am I going to have left out of that at the end of

ing over the subject he

a year if I stay with you and practice rigid economy?" "Um- \$8,000, you say," mused the boniface, with never a quaver in his voice. "Well, if you pin yourself down pretty close that \$8,000 will last you

about two months and twenty days at

this hotel." It is rumored now that Mr. Payne is in favor of at least doubling the salary of all heads of departments.

The importance of Uncle Joe Cannon as a factor in congressional legislation was aptly illustrated in

To Find "Uncle Jee"

the house the other day when that body took a recess for ten minutes because he was not in his seat and could not be found.

The bill appropriating

\$50,000 for the expenses the anthracite coal strike commis sion was to be called up. Speaker Henderson looked inquiringly at Cannon's seat. It was vacant. The house sat still and did nothing for three minutes. Then Representative Payne of New York, the Republican leader, said sol-

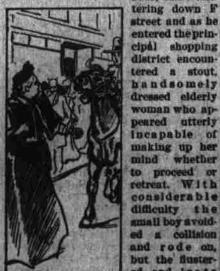
take a recess for ten minutes, or until Mr. Cannon can be found."

Messengers scurried in all directions The committee rooms, the library, the barber shop and the restaurant were searched. Finally Cannon was found in the document room, where he was looking up some books for a constituent. He came sprinting down the center aisle, and the house came to order and business proceeded. Meantime Unhas been caught in the jam jar.

The other day a diminutive boy, clad in a blue fiannel shirt, corduroy knee pants and a sombrero and riding a tiny calico pony which loped along at a furious speed of perhaps three miles an hour, came clat-

peared utterly

difficulty the



HE OUGHT TO BE AR-

small boy avoid-ed a collision and rode on. but the fluster-ed and trate woman rushed to the police-RESTED. man on the corer, exclaiming; "See that horrid little brat! He almost rode me down! He ought to be arrested, and I insist that

"Madam," said the officer, "that is the president's son Archie, and I couldn't arrest him. He wasn't riding half as fast as the law allows."

"Was that Archie Roosevelt? Why, the little dear! I'm so glad to have seen him! So like his father, too!" was the reply, which astonished the guard-ian of the law.

SAMUEL HUBBARD.

About Ostrick Feathers. "Many persons in this country believed that women should not wear ostric "Many persons in this country believe that women should not wear estrich feathers because taking the feathers from the birds is supposed to be very painful," says a South African dealer. "Nothing could be further from the truth. Feathers are taken out once a year, and the birds suffer so pain from the pinching. The estrict is fulsed for commercial purposes on great tracts of land, which are funced in and called sames. It is case to raise the birds. land, which are funced in and called camps. It is easy to raise the birds They are quite hardy and multiply rapidly. Some estrick lices make as many as five or six mests a year, and the number of case in a next varies from twelve to seventres. Ostrick raisers make their profits almost exclusively from the sale of furthers. There is little muston for the birds. There is little muston for the birds.

Notice of Bale,

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Sale of Town Lot for Partition.

By virtue of an order made by the Superior Court, of Lenoir County, on the 1st. day of December, 1922, in a special proceeding for the sale of land for partition entitled "Eva May Litchworth and J. E. Litchworth neat friend to Guyenia Hill, Exparte," the undersigned will offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door, in Kinston, N. C., on Monday, the 1sth day of January 1923, the following described parcel of land, lying and being in the 100m of Kinston, County of Lenoir and Kinston town bip. Adjoining the lands of T. C. Wooten and others, and bounded as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of T. C. Wooten and others, and bounded as follows: Beginning at the Southeast corner of T. C. Wooten's lot on North side of Caswell street, 350 feet from corner of Trion Avenue, and Caswell street East, and runs North 150 feet, thence East 51% feet, thence South 150 to Caswell street, thence West with line of Caswell street to the beginning.

A big shipment just receiv-

Leather, Willow and Cane Bottoms.

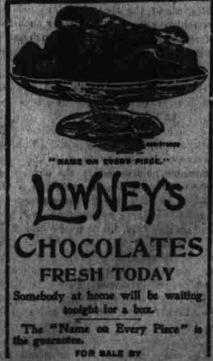
Make your home more easant and attractive. We will help you.

A Nice Lot of

It would surprise you to know now low we are selling the cle Joe smiled like a schoolboy who come and examine them and get our prices It will surprise you that such a Bicycle could be bought at such a low price, and woile you are here examine our stock of Guns. We have a complete line and we do all kind of Gun and Pistol repairs at short

> KINSTON CYCLE CO C. B. SPEAR, Manager.

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