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AN IMPORTANT CRISIS.

The great strike of the steel workers has at length entered upon a period when it is to be "won or lost." It is no mere contest, between the billion-dollar trust and 15,000 workmen, and it may prove to be the biggest strike the world has ever seen.

As is well known, the United States Steel Corporation is made up of seven companies that were formerly independent and each company controls from 4 to 15 mills. Four of these companies have Union mills where the workmen are under control of the Amalgamated Association, three companies have both union and non-union mills and one company is non-union, being the Carnegie company which has been independent since the Homestead riots.

The contention of the Amalgamated Association is to the effect that all the mills of the Steel Corporation shall be signed to the same wage scale, independently of whether the mill workmen belong to the union or not. This, say the corporation officials, would be playing into the strikers' hands and they refuse to accede, and negotiations looking to a settlement were broken off in New York Saturday, where the officials on both sides held a final meeting.

The American public are not likely to look very closely into the merits of the strike. They have been pretty well educated up to trusts, and whether right or wrong, a billion-dollar trust is going to get no sympathy from the people. In the days of independent mills and competition there was a degree of sympathy for such enterprises, but there is no such feeling now, the average man says, "It's Morgan's billion-dollar trust against the people," and let it go that.

LEAVING OFF THE WORRY PART.

There are numerous vexations during the summer months, and every real trouble can be more than trebled increased by worrying over it.

It is a stale, and generally worthless admonition, that of saying "don't worry about it," yet this advice can be given without any idea except that of giving positive comfort in its acceptance.

No doubt the day's heat is accentuated by the oft-repeated greeting, "Is it hot enough for you?" yet no aggravation need be aroused by this salutation, rather there is the humorous reply, which leaves both sides in better humor.

It is the weather grumbler who aggravates this topic of conversation, and makes it insane and bordering on the idiotic.

There is a weather philosophy which can be cultivated, and as Becky Sharp said, "we never get what we want, or want what we get," so what is the use of treating our good nature harshly by worrying about something that will not please, no matter in what shape it comes, hot or cold, rain or shine.

There is no good reason why the weather as a topic of conversation should be barred. For all ages it has served its good purpose in this respect and only in its foolish stage can it be named as being good for nothing, and its mention is worthy of social ostracism.

Naturally there must be cracks on a weather bureau weather, who will pore over the daily record, and compare it day with every day of the same date for years past. And then there is the daily forecast of

Weather which serves its purpose with those who must have each forecast come out correctly, or else there will be an unlimited amount of worry, largely conventional and visited upon innocent persons. But through it all the weather per se should not worry any person needlessly. There must be the physical discomforts due to extremes of temperature, and yet there is no need of worrying over these but simply exercising care which the changes of weather may demand and not prone of any positive forecast of any size of worry.

DRINKING IN THE SOUTH.

The Kentucky prohibitionists are at it, and the Mississippi prohibitionists are emanating from nearly every Southern State, have even an injunction that the South is a section of the country where temperance is unknown. And yet if any person will go over the records, and note the number of prohibition counties there are in the Southern States, there will be a surprise.

Take Kentucky, the home of so many good drinking stores and whiskey production, and there is found out of 94 counties only four in which there is a prohibition without a physician's prescription.

Texas which has the general reputation of being a wide open State, has prohibition in 130 counties.

And then comes Georgia at the head with 12 prohibition counties, Missouri with 84, Tennessee with 70, North Carolina with 60, Virginia with 55, Alabama with 50, Arkansas with 50, West Virginia with 40, Florida 30.

Here are some figures to startle even temperance people, but it is hardly likely that there will be any resession of jokes on the South on its liquor-drinking and whiskey production.

Yet the above figures are full of interest as showing the South's position on the temperance question.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Breaks Failed.

Brooklyn, August 6.—The failure of breaks to work properly is responsible for a trolley collision on Atlantic avenue and German street this morning. Three men were seriously injured and fifty one slightly.

Unable to Sign.

Peking, August 6.—The Foreign Ministers had arranged to sign the Protocol to day, but the British Minister, Satow, yesterday evening notified his colleagues that Britain was unable to sign. No reason given. Meeting indefinitely postponed.

They Struck it Rich.

It was a grand thing for this community that such an enterprising firm as C. D. Bradham secured the Agency for Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, the wonderful remedy that has started the world by its marvellous cures. The furor of enthusiasm over it has boomed their business, as the demand for it is immense. They give free trial bottles to sufferers, and positively guarantee it to cure Coughs, Colds, Bronchitis, Asthma, Croup and all Throat and Lung Troubles. A trial proves its merit. Price 50c and \$1.00.

The Lorrillard Estate.

New York, August 5.—Mrs. Lillian B. Allen has agreed to surrender to the Lorrillard heirs her rights to Ranococo's famous breeding farm. Her lawyer, Pierre Lorrillard for a large money consideration.

P. T. Thomas, Sumterville, Ala., "I was suffering from dyspepsia when I commenced taking Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. I took several bottles and can digest anything." Kodol Dyspepsia Cure is the only preparation containing all the natural digestive fluids. It gives weak stomachs entire rest, restoring their natural condition. F. R. Duffy & Co.

East River Bridge.

New York, August 6.—Without any ceremony ground was broken this morning for the third East river bridge connecting Manhattan and Williamsburg.

CAPUDINE Cures Headaches AND Feverish Conditions. SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure Digests what you eat. This preparation contains all of the digestants and digests all kinds of food. It gives instant relief and never fails to cure. It allows you to eat all the food you want. The most sensitive stomachs can take it. By its use many thousands of dyspeptics have been cured after everything else failed. It prevents formation of gas on the stomach, relieving all distress after eating. It is unnecessary. Pleasant to take. It can't help but do you good.

Prepared only by E. C. DeWitt & Co., Chicago. The 81 Bottle contains 24 Doses for 40c. Also, "To Preserve of Flowers." Cut flowers, though successfully employed, are seriously injured by those who like to keep the blossoms fresh as long as possible. First of all, they should be put into some large receptacle and sprinkled freely with water for all over. Only after this preliminary operation is it wise to transfer them to the several pots they are to occupy. They should be taken out every morning, sprinkled as on the first day, the tips of the stems then being cut off and fresh water flowing smoothly from a tap in each spray. The very thing for this purpose, should be allowed to run over the stalks, holding the flowers head downward. Finally, and herein lies the principal secret of success, the water in the cases may be "doctored" in this manner: Mix thoroughly together a tablespoonful of finely shredded yellow soap, enough chloride of sodium to cover a quarter and half a pint of water. Put a portion of this mixture into every receptacle and fill in the usual way. A pinch of borax in each one will preserve all the coloring of the most brilliant flowers, and by renewing the supply of the above solution every two or three days the flowers will last for a couple of weeks or more. Palms and all foliage plants must be carefully but moderately watered, washed, put outdoors for a bath of air and sunshine and must not be stood in drafty places.

Lamb Saled.

Cut cold lambs into neat little chops or chops and lay them in a deep dish. Put one ounce of gelatin into one quart of stock, with a teaspoonful of tarragon vinegar, pepper and salt, and stir over the fire until the gelatin is thoroughly dissolved. Boil a few minutes and strain over the lamb, and when quite cold cut the chops carefully out of the dish, with as much jelly as will adhere to them. Have ready a salad piled high on a dish, lay the jellied cutlets around it, chop up the rest of the jelly, strewn it over the salad and garnish with sliced tomatoes.

Admiral Howison Chosen.

Washington, August 6.—Rear Admiral Howison, retired, has been selected as the third member of the Schley court of inquiry in place of Admiral Kimberly.

To Save Her Child.

From frightful misadventure Miss Nannie Gulliger, of LaGrange, Ga., applied Bucklen's Arnica Salve to great sores on her head and face, and writes its quick cure exceeded all her hopes. It cures eruptions, cuts, burns, scalds and piles. 25c. Cure guaranteed by C. D. Bradham, druggist.

King Edward to Go to Germany.

Cowes, August 6.—King Edward of England, started at noon for Germany to attend the funeral of his sister, the Dowager Empress of Germany.

Assuaged the Editor.

Rifford A. Brown, of Bennettville, S. C., was once immensely surprised. "Through long suffering from Dyspepsia," he writes, "my wife was greatly run down. She had no strength or vigor and suffered great distress from her stomach, but she tried Electric Bitters which helped her at once, and after using four bottles, she is entirely well, can eat anything. It's a grand tonic, and its gentle laxative qualities are splendid for torpid liver." For Indigestion, Loss of Appetite, Stomach and Liver troubles it's a positive, guaranteed cure. Only 50c at C. D. Bradham's drug store.

Mourning for the Empress.

Berlin, August 6.—An imperial cabinet order to the Prussian Ministry of State orders for six weeks of national mourning in respect to the memory of the Empress.

In Cases of Cough or Croup give the Little One One Minute Gough Cure.

Then rest easy and have no fear. The child will be all right in a little while. It never fails. Pleasant to take, always safe and almost instantaneous in effect. F. R. Duffy & Co.

Died From Poisoning.

Brooklyn, Aug. 5.—Louis Long, aged ten, bought ten cents worth of ice cream from a peddler this morning and died from ptomaine poisoning.

The Philadelphia Horror.

Philadelphia, August 6.—Twenty one lives are known to be lost in the explosion last night, which wrecked five buildings. To add to the horror, another building collapsed this morning and drove the rescuing force back. This absolutely precludes the possibility of reaching any more people alive. The list of injured number fully seventy-five.

What a Tale It Tells.

If that mirror of yours shows a wretched, sallow complexion, a jaundiced look, mottled patches and blotches on the skin, is liver-trouble; but Dr. King's New Life Pills regulate the liver, purify the blood, give clear skin, rosy cheeks, rich complexion. Only 50c at C. D. Bradham's drug store.

FREIGHT RATES.

Decision of the Corporation Commission Today to Equalize Them.

Main Did Much Good. Text Book Proclamation Issued. A. & M. College Matters. The Evening News Very Satisfactory.

RALEIGH, Aug. 6.—The commissioner of agriculture says the fine rains of yesterday and last night make the farmers smile. Nearly everywhere fall corn needed rain, as some of it was "drying" in fact all crops needed it more or less.

The longer interest is being looked up. Mills in this section had business better than in many months.

The corporation commission's session tomorrow will be of special interest, as it now appears it will then settle the matter of equalizing freight rates. The bill is now in the hands of the Central railroad, which claims it cannot operate if no increase of 30 per cent in its differential over the standard rate is cut off. An attorney here who had occasion during the Matthews suit to look into the affairs of the Carolina Central says it does have a hard struggle to live.

Sportsmen are informed by farmers that there are many partridges. Some fear has been expressed that the heavy rains in June might have drowned the young birds.

To day, a representative of Silver, Burdette & Co., the one firm which has not signed to Text Book contract, arrived here to see the State Text Book Board. The executive proclamation regarding the text books was issued to day. It was delayed much longer than was expected.

No news was received this morning regarding the condition of the Governor's son who is sick in a private hospital at Wilson. News last night gave no possible hope of his recovery.

The executive committee of the Agricultural and Mechanical College is considering the names of a number of applicants to the Chair of Mechanical Engineering. The college is being put in shape for the fall term. During the past few days examinations for both agricultural and general scholarships have been held in most if not all of the counties in the State.

Adjutant General Royster says the percentage of attendance of the three regiments of the State Guard at the encampments has greatly gratified the military authorities.

Mothers who have always so dreaded the approach of hot weather when they have a teething babe, should not forget that TEETHINA counteracts and overcomes the effects of hot weather on children, keeps them in healthy condition and makes teething easy. TEETHINA costs only 25 cents per box at drug stores, or mail 25 cents to C. J. Moffett, W. D., St. Louis, Mo.

Chinamen Cannot Land.

WASHINGTON, August 5.—Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Taylor to day received telegrams from shipowners and masters of vessels lately arrived in San Francisco stating that owing to the strike there they are unable to unload their vessels, and asking that Chinamen employed on the ships be permitted to unload the vessels.

The masters and owners guarantee to the Government that the Chinamen will not be permitted to go beyond the wharves and to prevent their escape.

Secretary Taylor has replied, holding that this would be a violation of the Chinese Exclusion act and refusing to allow the Chinamen to go upon the docks.

Helmsmen from the Northern Wood are in (Fray) Again, the certain cure for coughs.

Music and Meaning. A small Chicago boy had learned a patriotic song by hearing his teacher repeat it. He got the sound of the words, but not their meaning, and rendered it thus:

Chew, tramp, tramp, the boys are marching; Chew up contracts they will come, and smelt the stars are gone we will meet the emigrants.

Atlanta Building Boom.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 5.—Two and a quarter million dollars in building for the year 1901. This is the estimate placed upon the work that will be done in Atlanta before the year is brought to a close.

A Minister's Good Work.

"I had a severe attack of bilious colic, got a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, took two doses and was entirely cured," says Rev. A. A. Power, of Emporia, Kan. "My neighbor across the street was sick for over a week, had two or three bottles of medicine from the doctor. He used them for three or four days without relief, then called in another doctor who treated him for some days and gave him no relief, so discharged him. I went over to see him the next morning. He said his bowels were in a terrible fix, that they had been running off so long that it was almost bloody flux. I asked him if he had tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and he said 'No.' I went home and brought him my bottle and gave him one dose, told him to take another dose in fifteen or twenty minutes if he did not find relief, but he took no more and was entirely cured." For sale by F. R. Duffy & Co.

Cockrell's Last Check. Senator Cockrell's last check, he thinks he is, but he is not sure. The circumstances are peculiar. The senator was a member in 1898 of what is known as the "assay committee" by members of congress. The function of that committee, which is composed of members of the house and senate, is to visit the mint at the city of Philadelphia. They go into the vault where the coin is stored after being manufactured, and after picking out coins promiscuously they weigh, measure and test them to determine whether the specifications of the government for their casting have all been complied with. The work has never been considered onerous, and the assignment to the committee has been sought. On the particular occasion referred to the senator at the close of the work in Philadelphia received a check from Mr. A. Landon Snowden for \$24 for his expenses and services rendered. It was the night before the return of the committee to Washington, and on his way to his hotel the senator was jostled and on reaching the hotel found that he had lost his pocketbook. The senator has a lingering recollection of feeling somewhat backward about admitting the robbery to his colleagues and says it is hardly possible that he swallowed his loss without disclosing it. In time the matter passed entirely out of his mind.

But a short time ago it was recalled to him by the receipt of a letter and a package sent from Philadelphia. The letter stated that in tearing down an old house in the tenement district of the city a pocketbook was found under one of the floors. The pocketbook contained the check for \$24. The senator took it to the treasury department, and the officials looked up the records to learn if the amount had been paid. After a search through many a dusty ledger the officials found the record of the check in question, and an entry showed that it had been presented and paid. The senator says it is possible that later he had another check issued in place of the one which had been stolen. In any event the check itself makes a souvenir which he will gladly retain.

Chaplain 1st Regiment.

RALEIGH, Aug. 6.—Rev. R. E. Caldwell of Winston is commissioned Chaplain of the First Regiment, State Guard.

Dowager Empress Dead.

Cronberg, Aug. 5.—The Dowager Empress Frederick died at 6:15 p. m., this evening. The death of the Dowager Empress was somewhat sudden. At 4 o'clock her physicians reported no change in her condition. Emperor William and Her Majesty's other children and the Emperor Augusta Victoria were in the sick room most of the day. They were all around the bedside when the Dowager Empress passed away, quietly. Professors Renvers and Spielmann were also in the room. The flag on the castle was immediately half-masted. At 8 o'clock this evening, Emperor William conducted the members of the Dowager Empress' household into the death chamber and led them, one by one, past the bedside to take a last farewell of their mistress.

Through the months of June and July our baby was teething and took a running off of the bowels and sickness of the stomach," says O. P. M. H. Hildy, of Deming, Ind. "His bowels would move from five to eight times a day. I had a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in the house and gave him four drops in a teaspoonful of water and he got better at once." Sold by F. R. Duffy & Co.

Grasshoppers Overrunning Naples.

NAPLES, August 5.—The grasshopper plague has visited Naples and is assuming serious aspects. Farmers are cutting their grain prematurely to save something. Over half of the city is overrun by the pest.

Fines Into County Fund.

RALEIGH, Aug. 6.—The State Superintendent of public instruction decides that all fines collected by a city or town must go to the general school fund of the county and not to the city or town schools alone. He is now at Winston, looking after a case in which this question is involved.

"My baby was terribly sick with the diarrhoea," says J. H. Doak, of Williams, Oregon. "We were unable to cure him with the doctor's assistance, and as a last resort we tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I am happy to say it gave immediate relief and a complete cure." For sale by F. R. Duffy & Co.

Got Their Commissions.

RALEIGH, Aug. 6.—Commissions were issued to Thomas C. Daniels as Commander and Matt Manly as Lieutenant Commanding, 2nd Battalion Naval Reserve.

Chartered Yesterday.

RALEIGH, Aug. 6.—The State charters the Charlotte Mutual Investment Co., capital \$100,000. C. M. Pritchett, former professor in the Agricultural and Mechanical College here, is a promoter of the company.

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