

INLAND WATERWAY PARTY

Visits New Bern, Morehead City and Beaufort. Greeted by Citizens at Each Place

The Congressional party to inspect the inland waterway route, which failed to arrive at New Bern Saturday night, arrived here Sunday morning and were in this city an hour, before taking the train for Morehead City, where the party, with a number of citizens from New Bern, was increased by citizens from Morehead, the entire party taking two motor boats for Beaufort, where after dinner at the Inlet Inn, the boats were again taken for an inspection of the harbor at Cape Lookout, the stop being made at the light house at Shepleford banks, where the proposed harbor at Cape Lookout could be seen in the distance, while a closer estimate was made of the location by government charts, while government engineers, Capt. Brown, of Wilmington, and Mr. Harry Patterson, of Beaufort, gave the information. There was a stiff gale blowing from the southwest and no one in the party desired further exploring than the light house. All that was wanted to be known was made clear to the Congressional visitors.

The party took the train Sunday at 5 p. m. and went through to Goldboro, going to Wilmington Monday morning for a look at the Cape Fear river. If the water permitted the party expected to go from Wilmington to Fayetteville Tuesday on the U. S. Engineer's boat, Mercer, so as to see more closely the upper Cape Fear river.

Why It Took So Long.

The suburban customer shook the bill in the plumber's face. "I'll never pay it!" he yelled. "The idea of that little job in my kitchen taking your man ten hours! It's an outrage!"

"Now, please don't put all the blame on the man," the plumber said conciliatorily. "He would have got through in one-tenth of the time if you had chosen a more advantageous day."

"What was wrong with the day I selected?" the customer from the suburbs found.

"Several things," replied the plumber quietly. "In the first place, it was not your cook's day off—she was present and did all she could to make the man feel at home; secondly, your wife's society held a musicale in the parlor, and my man, who is passionately fond of music, could not help hearing the strains of harmony; lastly, there was a football game played in the empty lot next door to your place, and my man, who used to play at Yale, naturally glanced at the game from time to time. With all these attractions to fascinate him, can you censure the man for lingering a little?"

The domineer of the suburban customer changed. "No, I cannot," he confessed honestly. "Receipt your bill and give this to the man I have been wronging so unjustly." And he flung down on the plumber's desk a golden eagle.—Chicago News.

Community.

In the hereafter the man encountered a single group of animals—two or three beavers, an otter and some seals—all shivering, though the climate, to say the least of it, was mild.

"We were skinned for your wife's furs," they explained civilly upon observing his perplexity.

He started and broke into a loud laugh.

"So was I," quoth he, and joined them, and therefore they wandered on together.—Puck.

Not the Enjoyable Kind.

A Washington official who is noted for his skill at what an evening met a young woman who evinced great civility as to the number of prizes he had taken at tournaments.

"And do you really enjoy what?" she finally asked.

The expert seemed surprised by the query. "Not at all, young lady," he responded. "I play a dandyly scientific game, you know."—Sunday Magazine.

Taking No Chances.

"I'll have your new car at your house promptly on time," said the automobile salesman.

"But suppose something happens and it breaks down," said the skeptical buyer.

"Oh, nothing like that will happen! I've hired a team of horses to draw the machine to your house."—Yonkers Statesman.

Descriptive.

It was at the opera. They were looking at the splendid décolleté of the ladies present.

"Do not the dresses remind you of Covent Garden?" she asked.

"No, not of Covent Garden," he replied. "I should say rather of the garden of Eden."—New York Times.

All Trains "On Time All The Time"

The passenger trains of the N. & S. Ry., equipped with modern coaches of the latest design, are operated punctually on time to a degree unequaled upon any other line.

BODIES TAKEN FROM MINE

Victims of Cherry Mine Disaster Being Brought Out of Mine

Cherry, Ill., Feb. 1.—"Get the bodies of the dead miners out as quick as possible," was the request made today by W. W. Taylor, manager of the St. Paul Mining Co. to the State mine inspector, under whose direction the St. Paul mine will be opened tomorrow. The shafts have been closed for two months to smother the flames that have been smoldering in the second level since November 13.

"This does not mean," added Mr. Taylor, "that any chance of needlessly sacrificing other lives will be taken. There are 160 bodies in the subterranean galleries. About 35 are in the third level, floating on a 2,000,000-gallon lake, while about 125 are on the second level. These later may be cut off from the main shaft by a smoldering fire. If the fire is present, as we suspect, a new gallery will be cut around the fire and the burning section will be walled in.

"In the meantime, the water will be pumped from the bottom of the mine so that the bodies down there may be brought to the surface."

Owing to the failure of Helmetmen Williams and Webb, of the University of Illinois, to reach Cherry today, the cap will not be pried from the mine shaft until tomorrow. These men, with oxygen helmets, will enter this shaft as soon as it is opened. On their reports will depend subsequent action.

All the bodies in the mine probably will be in fair condition, according to Dr. H. M. Orr, of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway. He believes that the 120 bodies in the second level will be partly mummified.

All is quiet in Cherry today, although there is suppressed nervousness of bereaved relatives to the coming ordeal of taking the long deferred last look at the dead. Several women mostly Scotch and English, and today they would not renew their grief by seeing the corpses of their husbands and sons, but would prefer that the identification be made by mine officers.

CHOICE—Hyde County Rust Proof Feed, Oats and Seed Rye at Chas. B. Hill's, New Bern, N. C.

Not Tending To Business

A country doctor was recently called upon to visit a patient some way from his office. Driving to where the sick man lived, he tied his horse to a tree in front of the house and started to walk across the ground. It happened that work was in progress on a new well, of which the doctor knew nothing until he found himself sinking into the earth. He fell just far enough to be unable to get out of the hole unassisted, and lustily yelled for help.

When he was finally pulled up the hired man remarked to him

"I say, dr., you had no business down there."

"No, I don't think I had," replied the doctor.

"Don't you know," continued the hired man, "you ought to leave the well alone and take care of the sick!"

February Lippincott's

Recent Inventions.

To a Philadelphian has been granted a patent on a machine to pass tobacco leaves in bundles under X rays to kill the small insects which infest them.

A patent has been granted on an electric rat trap which resembles a rather flat bell. When a rat climbs up on it to reach the bait it completes a fatal circuit.

A piano stool that will accommodate but one person under ordinary circumstances, but which contains leaves which can be spread to hold two or three persons, has been invented by a Chicagoan.

By inventing a hairpin the prongs of which normally are close together, but which may be sprung open to insert a Pennsylvania woman has designed a device more secure than pins of the usual form.

Sporting Notes.

Syracuse ice racing light harness clubs will unite.

The Boston Americans are after new grounds for 1912.

Cornell has won eastern cross country runner ten times in seven years.

Alfred Shrubbs has won ninety-five out of 101 races since coming to this country nearly three years ago.

James A. Murphy of New York has bought his old love, Star Pointer, 1:30, and the first two minute pacer is certain of a good home as long as he lives.

Don Patch, 1:26, has covered more than 10,000 miles since going into the exhibition business. What has been announced as his final appearance in public took place last Thanksgiving day at Los Angeles, where he scored over Minor Heat in 2:10.

ALDERMEN MEETING

Reports of Committees, Resignation Engineer Water Works, Franchise Granted Inter-urban Railway.

The board of aldermen met Tuesday night in regular monthly session, represented by Mayor, Alderman Simpson asked permission for the Tolson Manufacturing Co. to lay a tramway from its plant on East Front street to A. C. L. for use until the A. C. L. is ready to be opened.

Dr. J. F. Ryan asked for fire hydrants for protection of that section north of the tobacco warehouse on George street. Referred. The committee appointed to consider the matter of granting franchise to New Bern and Trenton Inter-urban Railway, reported unanimously in favor, and on roll call nine aldermen voted favorably, one not voting. Alderman Ellis tendered report of the expert on fire alarm system of New Bern, and recommendations made. Referred for further action. Ordered additional pipe to be put on New street sewer to extend it to channel. Reported that number of incandescent lights in stores were left burning day time and Sunday. Penalty for those not having meters, double rates. H. P. Willis tendered his resignation as engineer of water works which was accepted, and Wm. E. Smith elected his successor. On motion carried, belts were ordered for policemen. On motion alderman Ellis, no bill to be allowed unless read before the board in session.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

National Bank of New Bern
At New Bern, in the State of N. C.,
At the Close of Business
Jan. 31, 1910.

RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$744,280.56
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	8,222.11
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	25,000.00
Notes, Securities, etc.	35,320.00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	12,000.00
Other Real Estate Owned	17,714.37
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	26,479.35
Due from State and Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Companies, and Savings Banks	9,148.44
Due from approved reserve agents	22,251.84
Checks and other cash items	7,367.73
Notes of other National Banks	3,768.00
Fractional paper—currency, nickels, and cents	355.74
Lawful money reserves in bank, viz:	
Specie	9,545.00
Legal-tender notes	16,000.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)	1,250.00
Total	\$744,280.64

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	80,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	25,233.19
National Bank notes outstanding	24,400.00
Due to other National Banks	10,858.13
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	10,504.92
Dividends unpaid	25.00
Individual deposits subject to check	472,254.25
Time certificates of deposit	7,793.52
Cashier's checks outstanding	860.50
Bills payable, including Certificates of Deposit for money borrowed	480,909.27
Reserved for taxes	2,873.23
Total	\$744,280.64

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA—93.

County of Craven,
I, G. H. ROBERTS, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. H. ROBERTS, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 3rd day of Feb., 1910

THOMAS J. MITCHELL,
Notary Public.

CORRECT—Attest:
JAMES A. BRYAN,
S. B. HACKBURN,
E. K. BISHOP,
JNO. DUNN,
Directors

LOVER'S QUARREL PROVES FATAL

Edward Gesser, Fifteen, Could Not Bear Being Estranged From Girl His Own Age

New York, Feb. 2.—Because his fifteen-year-old sweetheart talked to him Sunday afternoon in an unswerving, heart-like manner, Edward Gesser, a clerk, also fifteen, of No. 710 Hoboken street, North Bergen, N. J., is dying at the North Hudson Hospital, that place, with a bullet hole through his body.

Nearly two years ago Gesser went to a youngsters' party in Jersey City and there he met pretty Elizabeth Cornelius of No. 1064 Summit avenue, that place. Edward chose her as his partner in the dance and she had more letters "post office" for him than for anybody else. After that the courtship progressed rapidly.

Sunday afternoon Edward called on Elizabeth, and, as was their wont, they went walking. During the stroll Elizabeth decided she wanted to call on a chum and said it would be nice for Edward to call with her. But Edward had come a long way to visit Elizabeth and have her all to himself for one whole afternoon and he was not willing to share her society with anybody. They quarrelled and parted.

Edward went home and all night he brooded over his trouble. Yesterday afternoon he took a revolver and went to the corner of Hoboken street and Grand avenue, four blocks from his home, to shoot himself. There was nobody around and he shot in the air twice to attract attention. Otto Lauber heard the shots and ran to investigate.

Just as he came in view he saw young Gesser put the muzzle of the pistol to his left breast and fire the third time. Gesser fell and Lauber carried him to a store, whence a car was sent for the North Hudson Hospital ambulance. Surgeons found the bullet had passed all the way through the body just below the heart and had lodged beneath the skin in the back. They say Edward cannot recover.

He told the surgeons his sweetheart should not be held accountable for his act as he had started the quarrel.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God to remove from our midst our much loved and highly esteemed friend and brother, M. D. Witt Stevenson, an eminent lawyer, Christian gentleman and faithful member of our order, the Knights of Harmony. Therefore be it Resolved 1, That we will cherish the memory of our brother, and will strive to emulate his noble example.

2. That we extend to his bereaved family our deepest sympathy and point them for comfort to One who doeth all things well.

3. That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the bereaved family, to the newspapers of the city for publication and one appear upon the minutes of our Order.

PERRY MUST RETURN TO WORK

No Suitable Berth Open For Navy Officer and Must Take up Old Work.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The Navy Department has ordered Commander Robert E. Perry back to duty. He will arrive in Washington tomorrow and probably be assigned to a post in his corps before the end of the week.

While no official announcement of the fact has been made, it is learned that the navy department, after exhausting every expedient to find a duty for Commander Perry, which would be in keeping with his dignity as discoverer of the North Pole, has abandoned the attempt.

There are a few unimportant offices, and the department has decided to allow, as far as it may, Commander Perry the privilege of making a selection from these.

During the time it has been casting about for a place in the corps of civil engineers to which to assign Commander Perry, the department has nursed the hope that Congress might come to the relief of the situation by making the explorer a rear admiral and tendering him a vote of thanks.

But as Congress, apparently, does not intend taking any action of this sort, the department finds itself in the position of being without an excuse or pretext of continuing Commander Perry's leave from duty.

It has wired him to come to Washington to prepare to enter active service, and a reply has been received, stating that he will report at the department tomorrow.

There is a peculiar pathos in the situation which finds a man, after twenty-three years of almost continuous absence spent in bringing to his country the glory and distinction toward which centuries of effort have been directed from every quarter of the globe, when success has been attained, to go without an expression of gratitude from his country and to again enter its service in a position the dignity of which is not in keeping with the prestige of his former achievements.

Sash, Doors and Blinds at Basnight Hardware Co. and our prices will catch your orders.

PARIS INFESTED WITH THIEVES

The Waters of The Seine Still Receding—300,000 Are Out of Work

Paris, Feb. 2.—With two hundred thousand homeless in Paris and suburban towns and three hundred thousand without employment, with hundreds still imperilled by flood and acute distress on every hand, the city is today preparing to fight possible pestilence and rebuild. The Seine is still receding but only half an inch an hour. In such suburbs as Alfortville and Gennevilliers many families are imperilled. Boats are plying, bringing marooned families from roofs and upper floors to land. Many have been without food several days. Some are delirious and many seriously ill from exposure and exhaustion. The grave danger was further demonstrated today by the collapse of Rue St. Lazare and Rue Cauterman sidewalks into the subways. Many streets are closed to the public. The authorities will take immediate charge of disinfecting the city. Pending the re-opening of many closed factories the authorities will give all applicants a chance to earn wages by cleaning up the city.

A reign of crime and pillage instigated by thieves and Apaches is sweeping the flood section of Paris and suburbs today. Two robbers were drowned one yanked and one escaped in a revolver duel with police in a boat at Alfortville today. A thief arrested at Ivery tried to sink the police boat. The police tied a rope around his neck threw him overboard and dragged him through the water for half an hour. He is expected to die. There have been attempts to lynch looters in the city, battles with revolvers between boat loads of police and looters are occurring on all sides. A section of Rue Rivoli caved in today.

THEATICAL.

Veru Michelena is to appear in "The Pilgring Princess."

Frederick Lewis is to rejoin the Sothern-Marlowe company.

Nance O'Neil has made a big personal success in "The Lily."

Frank Daniels is playing an indefinite engagement at Daly's in New York in "The Belle of Brittany."

Dick Lee, to prove his versatility, undertook lately to play a different character in each of the four acts of "A Little Brother of the Rich" in New York.

Miss Mary Moore, the leading lady of Sir Charles Wyndham, who is accompanying him on his American tour, is also a partner with him in his London theater.

The place of George Arliss in "Septimus" has been taken by Claus Bogel, who was the star's understudy. Mr. Bogel played the role of the French soldier in the story.

Marrriage in Scotland.

Boys over fourteen and girls over twelve are legally entitled to get married without the consent of their parents or guardians in Scotland.

The Dodo.

The dodo was a bird bigger than a turkey and too heavy to fly, its wings being only rudimentary. It was very common in Mauritius when the island was discovered, but its flesh was so good to eat and it was so incapable of self protection that within forty years it became extinct.

Dancing.

Dancing was originally a mode of expressing religious feeling and was often used in military displays, though the Romans, like orientals, usually had their dancing done for them by hired slaves.

PILES! PILES! PILES!

Williams' Indian File Ointment will cure Blind, Bleeding and Itching Piles. It absorbs the tumors, alleviates itching at once, acts as a poultice, gives instant relief. Williams' Indian File Ointment is prepared for Piles and Itching of the private parts. Sold by druggists, mail 50c and \$1.00. Williams' M'fg. Co., Proprs., Cleveland, O.

WEDS GIRL HE SAVED

Rescued Her From Burning Building After Others Had Fled.

New York, Feb. 3.—A romance that began fourteen years ago, when they were children, culminated last night in the wedding of Irving Friedman of No. 100 Canal street and Miss Sarah Rosenberg of No. 62 Market street. Twice in that period Friedman had rescued her from death. One of the guests at the wedding was the bridegroom's father. They had not seen each other for twenty years until yesterday.

The bride is twenty-one years old and her husband is about twenty-four. Fourteen years ago Friedman lived in Ludlow street, and the boy and girl attended the same school.

One morning Irving waited for his little chum, and when she did not appear he went into the house to inquire. The girl's mother told him that Sarah had diphtheria and probably would be ill a long time. He was so absent-minded in school that his teacher reprimanded him the next day he played "hooky." About 2 o'clock in the afternoon the fire apparatus went by and turned into his street. He followed and found the fire was in the Rosenberg home.

Most of the tenants had fled to the street, but little Sarah was not with them. The boy darted past the firemen into the smoke filled building and up the stairs. He found the girl all but overcome with smoke. Taking her in his arms, he carried his little playmate to the street, where he fell exhausted. He was shockingly burned and his face still bears the scars.

The Rosenbergs moved to another part of the city and the children were separated. One morning a year ago last summer young Friedman was going in bathing at Rockaway Beach, when he heard a scream. Out beyond the life line was a girl struggling frantically. She had been seized with cramp. Young Friedman jumped into the surf and after a struggle rescued her.

It was not until he had escorted the young woman to her home that Friedman learned he had again saved the life of his boyhood sweetheart. Sarah Rosenberg did not recognize him, either, but Mrs. Rosenberg did and she overwhelmed him with gratitude.

Young Friedman and Miss Rosenberg were married by Rabbi Rabinowitz in the synagogue at No 22 Forsyth street. Later there was a reception in Clinton Hall.

Of Course.

Elise—So Midge married that old millionaire. I suppose there was a good deal of throwing at the wedding.

Ethel—Oh, yes; rice, old shoes and insinuations.—Boston Transcript.

The Homely Truth.

The man with will an' wot to do Is not the man who sets thar An' grows an' grows 'bout 'pullin' through." He rises an' he gets thar! —Atlanta Constitution.

Same Sort of Goods.

"Am I really and truly your first and only love?" queried the dear girl.

"No," answered the truthful drug clerk, "but you are something just as good."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Where?

All the young men at present View directores with alarm. If girls are one size from top to toe, Where shall he put his arm? —Yale Record.

Celestial Studies.

"I fell you in that railway collision when I was hurled off my seat I saw stars."

"Of course. The cars were telescoped."—New York Journal.

Nyal's Cherry Cough Syrup.

Nothing else will so readily relieve a tight, dry, hacking cough. Try a bottle for that cough before it leads to serious illness. Price 25 and 50c. On sale at Davis' Pharmacy.

Not the Worst.

"I must confess that I don't sleep well while traveling by train," said Mr. Chingus. "I had a terrible dream last night."

"I understand they had some trouble on the road."

"Yes, I dreamed my motorcar ran over an embankment, smashed the engine and tore the transmission out by the roots. You can't imagine how relieved I felt when I awoke and found it was only a railway collision."—Washington Star.

The Naughty Little Motor.

"Twas a very little boy Had a pretty little toy— 'Twas a little yellow motor with a shiny scarlet wheel. When the motor wouldn't go Little Bobbie muttered, 'Oh, When I ask you you had ought to—ya, you'd ought to—moodle!'"

But the bawky little imp Wouldn't run and wouldn't bump, And it paid no least attention to the little boy's appeal.

And the little cried, "Aha!" As he thumped it on the back, "You're a naughty little aha—ya, a naughty—moodle!" —Worcester Weekly.

"The House Opposite"

A new mystery story in the New York Sunday World's detective series will be given with The Sunday World of Feb. 15th. This story will be in separate booklet form and is given free with The Sunday World. It has been preceded by Ann Katharine Owen's "House of the Whispering Trees" and "Lawrence's Case." "The House Opposite" is said to be the best of all mystery stories. Get it with The Sunday World.

ARRESTED ON A SERIOUS CHARGE

Norfolk Man Embezzles Money From Letters. Caught in the Act.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 1st.—Luther E. Flickinger, for more than ten years a trusted clerk in the Norfolk postoffice, will before United States Commissioner P. S. Stephenson at 4 p. m. tomorrow have a hearing upon the charge of extracting and embezzling \$4 from a decoy letter sent through the mails by postoffice inspectors, who, watching through the opening of a secret chamber on a magazine corridor at the postoffice building Saturday saw Flickinger, they allege, open the letter and remove therefrom four marked one dollar bills which they claim to have removed from his person immediately afterwards.

Flickinger, it is asserted, will before the commissioner tomorrow be confronted with declarations on the part of the postoffice inspectors that he confessed to them to having before extracted from the mails money that he from time to time appropriated to his own use. The defendant, now out, under \$1,000 bail, will be defended by attorney Harry K. Wolcott, of the firm of Jeffries, Wolcott, and Lankford.

The arrest of Flickinger occurred last Saturday afternoon while he was at his desk as assistant superintendent of mails with direct supervision over the city and rural carriers. The letter from which the four marked \$1 bills are alleged to have been taken was addressed to medicine company. The letter was a "doubtful" one and passed from clerk to clerk until it went to Flickinger. The inspectors, without their presence being known to any one, watched through the peep holes of the secret chamber above where the postoffice clerks and officials were at work. Flickinger was quietly at his desk when the inspectors came in, approached him, put their hands on his shoulder, told him to get his hat and coat and follow them. The arrest was made by police officer Spratt in citizens' clothes, the postoffice inspectors desiring the matter to proceed in this form. Flickinger was carried to police headquarters and there detained until Commissioner Stephenson admitted him to bail.

Flickinger was regarded by the postoffice officials and his fellow clerks as highly as any other person in the Norfolk office. He is of pleasing manner and disposition and for this reason his advancement to higher position was always agreeable to those whose duty it became to work under him. From a minor clerkship in the Norfolk office Flickinger had gradually worked his way up until he was getting \$1,300 per annum at the time of his arrest.

Flickinger is about 38 years of age and married. Recently he built a home in the seventh ward, which he and his family have since been occupying. He has one child.

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Vanceboro, N. C. Jan. 1910.

By Order of Fourth Assistant Post Master General.—Is hereby given to the patrons of the rural routes leading from Vanceboro, N. C. That in view of the extent to which the practice of placing loose coins in boxes by rural patrons has grown, and the delay in the delivery and collection of mail and the hardship imposed on rural carriers incident thereto. You are informed that commencing Feb. 15th proximo, rural letter carriers will not be required to collect loose coins from rural mail boxes. Patrons should inclose coins in an envelope, wrap them securely in a piece of paper, or deposit them in a coin holding receptacle, so they can be easily and quickly taken from the boxes, and carriers will be required to lift such coins, and where accompanied by mail for dispatch, attach the requisite stamps. The public and patrons are urgently requested to provide themselves with stamp supplies in advance of their needs, and to equip their boxes with suitable coin-holding receptacles. As the picking of loose coins from boxes not only results in needless hardship and suffering to the carrier in winter weather, delays the delivery and collection of mail but frequently results in actual money loss to the carrier for loss in collecting coins from boxes, they drop them in the snow or on the road with out recovery they are required to replace the amount out of their own funds.

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By Order of Fourth Assistant Post Master General.—Is hereby given to the patrons of the rural routes leading from Vanceboro, N. C. That in view of the extent to which the practice of placing loose coins in boxes by rural patrons has grown, and the delay in the delivery and collection of mail and the hardship imposed on rural carriers incident thereto. You are informed that commencing Feb. 15th proximo, rural letter carriers will not be required to collect loose coins from rural mail boxes. Patrons should inclose coins in an envelope, wrap them securely in a piece of paper, or deposit them in a coin holding receptacle, so they can be easily and quickly taken from the boxes, and carriers will be required to lift such coins, and where accompanied by mail for dispatch, attach the requisite stamps. The public and patrons are urgently requested to provide themselves with stamp supplies in advance of their needs, and to equip their boxes with suitable coin-holding receptacles. As the picking of loose coins from boxes not only results in needless hardship and suffering to the carrier in winter weather, delays the delivery and collection of mail but frequently results in actual money loss to the carrier for loss in collecting coins from boxes, they drop them in the snow or on the road with out recovery they are required to replace the amount out of their own funds.

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