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THE EDITOR'S LEISURE HOURS.

Observations of Passing Events.

EVERY year more general thought is given to the subject of railroad travel and the safety of the travelers. Not only is there much general thought given to such subjects, but much specific thought also. The following bit of news from Washington, January 20th, illustrates it: "Representative Lamb, of Virginia, to-day introduced a bill to require all railroads engaged in inter-state commerce to establish a uniform standard of road bed within five years; to abolish all grade crossings within five years; such railroads that shall attain a certain volume of traffic to double track their roads within five years; all railroads to put in a uniform system of automatic blocks and signals within one year; and providing that hereafter all passenger cars shall be constructed of steel, and that no cars otherwise constructed shall be kept in use after five years from the passage of the bill. By way of penalty the bill provides for each violation by the railroad company a fine of \$1,000, and for each violation by an official a fine of \$2,000, or one year's imprisonment, or both."

THERE are all quantities and all kinds of free advice given by various classes of people for the benefit of various other classes.

Will Farmers Learn? Josh Billings said once that there was advice enough floating around to run several such worlds as this. The statement of the famous Mr. Billings may have been true, but that did not alter the fact that some of the much free advice that floats about is good and worth heeding. Some one—yes, perhaps many—have hinted, or said plainly, to farmers that when they buy large quantities of fertilizers on a credit in the spring their profits will be correspondingly small in the fall. And while it is true that many worthy farmers are compelled to buy their fertilizer on a credit or not buy at all, it is also true that many farmers depend too much on commercial fertilizers and pay too little attention to raising manure in their horse stables, cow stalls, mule lots and the like. Only a few days ago we drove up to the mule lot of one of the best talking farmers in this community where we expected to see things in "apple pie order" from what we had heard about his farm. But to our surprise the mule lot, which was splendidly located for raising manure, did not contain a load of manure outside of the stalls, and not much inside. Mules were walking around on the bare ground. It did not appear that there had been a load of trash of any kind put in the lot in six months or a year. That farmer is missing a fine opportunity for raising a nice quantity of lot manure through the winter. But we did not mean to give advice—only a suggestion or two. Will farmers soon learn to buy less fertilizer on a credit and raise more stall and lot manure?

THE Legislature has passed the bill submitting prohibition in the State to a vote of the people, May 26th being the date fixed for the election. The date, we believe,

The Time Late Enough. is late enough in the year, and will be better than August or November. If the election had been fixed for August perhaps many of the county primaries and conventions would have been held and the question of prohibition would have come up in the naming of the candidates. If the date had been fixed for November the election interests in some places would have become complicated and perhaps the result of the election might not have been as clear and satisfactory as if held apart from all other questions. And now that the course has been settled by the Legislature, it behoves all who favor State prohibition to do their part well in bringing about the results for which they have been wishing perhaps for years. And those who have said in various places that they do not favor local option but would support State prohibition, now have a chance to make good and practice what they have preached. Doubtless many who have said this will stick to it and vote for prohibition, but some may change their minds and say that they do not quite favor State prohibition, but would gladly vote for a law that would apply to the entire nation. On all sides there is the general conclusion that prohibition will carry by a great majority. Doubtless this will be true if temperance people all over the State will work earnestly for it, but it might as well be understood at first that it is going to take some good and persistent work to secure the great victory, and the victory will be large in proportion as the work is general and earnest and persistent. In all justice, prohibition ought to win and have a fair trial because seemingly a majority of the people of the State desire it, and will not be satisfied until it shall be thoroughly tested.

The following interesting description of a vast park-wood near San Francisco, is taken from Collier's Weekly: "Mr. Wil-

iam Kent, of Chicago, has just shown

None Other Like It. that brains may be made to count for more than money in philanthropy. By a gift whose present market value may be two or three hundred thousand dollars he has bestowed upon the public a benefit whose future worth will overshadow many famous foundations endowed with millions. He has deeded to the United States a tract of two hundred and ninety-five acres of redwood forest on the seaward slopes of Mount Tamalpais, six miles from San Francisco, and the land is to be proclaimed a National Monument, under the name of Muir Woods. The canon is declared by the Forest Service to be in absolutely primeval condition, not so much as scratched by the hand of man; yet it is within an hour's ride of San Francisco, at the very doors of hundreds of thousands of people, and two-thirds of the entire population of California live within about fifty miles of it. It will give to San Francisco a suburban park that no other city in the world can match. There are only two thousand square miles of redwood forest on the entire globe, and they are all in California. Some of the trees in the grove which the enlightened liberality of Mr. Kent has saved from the fate that has befallen all its neighbors are eighteen feet in diameter, nearly three hundred feet high, and from a thousand to fifteen hundred years old. There is no reason why they should not still be standing, greater and more majestic than ever, a thousand years hence, when the spreading metropolis of the Pacific shall have made Muir Woods a Central Park in the city's heart. The redwood—first cousin to the patriarchal Big Trees of the Sierras—seems never to die a natural death, and if ax and fire can be kept away, the giants of Tamalpais will be Mr. Kent's monument through unnumbered generations."

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(Erasmus Wilson, in Pittsburgh Gazette-Times.)

The king may rule o'er land and sea,

The lord may live right royally,

The soldier ride in pomp and pride,

The sailor roam o'er ocean wide—

But this or that, whate'er befall,

The farmer has to feed them all.

The writer thinks, the poet sings,

The craftsmen fashion wondrous

things;

The doctor heals, the lawyer pleads,

The miner follows precious leads—

But this or that, whate'er befall,

The farmer has to feed them all.

The merchant, he may buy and sell;

The teacher do his duty well;

But men may toil through busy

days,

Or men may stroll through pleasant

ways—

From king to beggar, whate'er befall,

The farmer has to feed them all.

The farmer's trade is one of worth;

He's partner with the sky and earth;

He's partner with the sun and rain,

And no man loses for his gain—

So men may rise and men may

fall,

But the farmer has to feed them all.

—Anon.