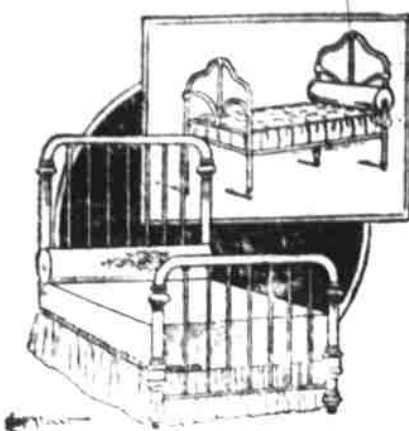


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### APPROVES TUBERCULOSIS SUNDAY.

Bishop Nelson Endorses Call to the Churches to Preach Gospel of Health on April 24th.

Approval of the movement for a national tuberculosis Sunday on

April 24, recently inaugurated by the National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis, is given in a statement by The Right Reverend Richard H. Nelson Bishop Coadjutor of Albany, N. Y., for the Protestant Episcopal Church, issued today.

Bishop Nelson says: "I think well of the proposal that all the churches should unite on April 24th in presenting the truth concerning tuberculosis and stimulating public interest in the campaign for its prevention and cure.

"The campaign has entered upon its second stage. Having labored with some success to point out the danger, we are now concerned with the cure, and this depends upon improvement in conditions of personal and social life. Whatever the churches may be able to do along this line, will be a double contribu-

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BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER, 31, 1909

ASSETS.

Investments in Government, Municipal and other Bonds	\$844,228.63
Mortgages on Real Estate, First Leins	876,500.00
Deposited in Banks and Trust Companies at Interest	32,579.47
Cash on hand at Home-Office	3,057.89
Premium Notes on Policies in Force	115,855.86
Loans to Policyholders	66,118.34
Premiums Due and Un collected and Deferred Premiums, less Loading	32,947.24
Interest Accrued	21,551.53
	\$1,992,838.96

LIABILITIES.

Net Present Value of all Policies in force on December 31, 1909, as computed by the insurance Department of Pennsylvania on the American Experience Table of Mortality, with 3 1/2 per cent. Interest	\$1,097,362.00
Claims for death losses in process of adjustment	22,510.00
Dividends to the credit of Policyholders	53,831.00
Miscellaneous Liabilities	5,291.15
Capital Stock	560,320.00
Unassigned Funds (Surplus)	253,524.81
	\$1,992,838.96

RECORD TO DECEMBER 31, 1909.

Insurance in Force (paid for)	\$20,250,914.00
Admitted Assets	1,992,838.96
Increase in Assets	429,172.77
Reserve to Policyholders	1,097,362.00
Dividends to credit of Policyholders	53,831.00
Dividends paid Policyholders in 1909	46,359.03
Death Losses Paid in 1909	127,160.60
Death Losses Due and Unpaid	None
Total Paid Policyholders or held for their benefit	1,613,106.00

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tion to physical and spiritual betterment and I should think that all wish to have a share in such an enterprise.

Reports from all parts of the United States indicate that the Sunday set apart will be generally observed, by the preaching of sermons on tuberculosis and by the distribution of special literature.

The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis declares that the campaign against tuberculosis is a warfare against ignorance, and that as soon as the people of the United States know that tuberculosis can be prevented and cured, they will demand that the needless waste of 200,000 lives annually be stopped.

### THE SILVANDO.

Queer Whistling Language of the Canary Island Natives.

In Gomera, one of the smallest of the Canary islands, the silvando, or whistling language, survives. A correspondent writes: "A traveler must land at the little port of San Sebastian and there find a muleteer from the interior. With him he must ride up the steep bridge paths that wind through the mountains. When no longer any living thing is within sight and the wilderness is only broken by the crimson flower of the cactus growing in the clefts of the rock, the muleteer dismounts, sets his forefingers together at a right angle and places them in his mouth. An arrow of piercing sounds shoots across the ravines and up the stony terraces into the fastnesses of the mountains. A moment's pause and there comes a thin, almost uncanny, answering whistle from far away. Conversation begins and, as the sounds rise and fall, are staccatoed or drawn out, so they are faithfully echoed and transmitted by the hills.

"Then comes the ghostly reply, and then question and answer follow without hesitation or misunderstanding. Perhaps the stranger will ask, 'What are you doing there?' Answer: 'There is a traveler with me. One of our mules is lame. Can you bring us a fresh one?' 'Yes, I can. Do you want anything else?' 'You might bring some milk along if you have any,' and so on. That the conversation is correctly interpreted is presently confirmed by the arrival of the mule and the milk, and the distance that separated the parties to the dialogue turns out to be about three miles.

"Long notes and short notes, rising and falling tones, go to make this marvelous means of communication. No record is to be found of its origin or history, and it will be a thousand pities if scientific investigation is not made before the silvando is added to the list of dead languages, as assuredly it will be within the next two or three generations."—Chicago News.

### STRANGE COMPANIONS.

The "Happy Family" and a Kitten and a Hawk.

The first public exhibition of a "happy family" in England was given about fifty years ago, when there were shown a monkey, a cat, several rats and three or four pigeons in one cage. The monkey was on excellent terms with the cat so long as puss would allow him to warm himself by cuddling her; otherwise he would show his vexation by slyly giving her tail a nip with his teeth.

The birds perched on the cat's back and pecked at her fur, and the rats were as friendly with their natural enemy as if she were one of their own sort.

A lady walking in the Isle of Wight observed a little kitten curled up on a mossy bank taking a nippy nap. As she stopped to stroke it a hawk swooped down and, pouncing upon the kitten, hid it from sight.

The lady, fearing for the life of the kitten, tried to rescue it, but the hawk firmly faced her, stood at bay and refused to move. She hastened to a fisherman's cottage and told the inmates of the impending tragedy.

"It's always so," they said, laughing. "That hawk always comes down if any one goes near the kitten. He has taken to it and stays near at hand to watch whenever it goes to sleep."

The lady, greatly interested, made further inquiry and learned that the kitten's mother had died, after which the nursing was missed for several days. One day the hawk was seen about the cottage picking up scraps of meat and carrying them to the roof of the cottage.

The fisherman climbed up and found the lost kitten nestled in a hole in the thatch and thriving under the care of its strange foster father. It was brought down and restored to the cottage, but the hawk would not resign his charge and was always at hand to rescue the kitten from the caresses of strangers.—Philadelphia North American.

### Dictionary Lore.

"Poison" and "potion" are doublets, the former being an older form of the latter. Both are derived from the Latin "potare," to drink, and "poison" in its original sense signified merely something to drink.

While the word "human" used as meaning "a human being" is now only colloquial or humorous, Lowell in the introduction to the "Biglow Papers" chided Bartlett for including it in his "Dictionary of Americanisms" and remarked that it was Chapman's habitual phrase in his translation of Homer and that it is found also in the old play of "The Hog Hath Lost His Pearl."—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

### A Flame Combination.

If a small quantity of chlorate of potash be powdered and mixed with an equal quantity of powdered sugar a candle may be lighted by means of the mixture without matches.

Place a little of it in the depression around the wick of a candle that has been previously used and then touch the mixture with a glass rod the end of which has been dipped in oil of vitriol. It will burst into flame, lighting the candle.

### An Evasive Answer.

"We dined at Mrs. Crankleigh's last night."  
"I suppose you had a good dinner."  
"Well, we found out that Mrs. Crankleigh is an active member of the society for boycotting all the high priced foodstuffs."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### DISTRICT MEETING.

Further Details of the Program of the District Meeting, Knights of Pythias, Held Here Last Monday Night.

The account of the district meeting of the Knights of Pythias which we carried in Tuesday's issue of The Gazette was rather brief, though based upon the fullest account obtainable in the short time in which it had to be prepared. By request we give below a fuller and more detailed account of the proceedings.

Gastonia Lodge, No. 53, Knights of Pythias, met in Castle Hall Monday evening, March 14th, at 7:30. The lodge was opened and closed in regular form by Rev. W. H. Hardin, chancellor commander. W. C. Wilson, District Deputy G. C., was then called to the chair to preside over the 10th district meeting. Rev. W. H. Hardin, chancellor commander of Gastonia lodge, delivered the address of welcome, which was most appropriate to the occasion and conveyed the welcome of the local lodge to the visiting knights in a most eloquent and pleasing manner. The response was delivered by Mr. Frank M. Shannonhouse, of Charlotte, who made a highly appreciated address.

Grand Chancellor George L. Hackney, of Asheville, delivered an address on the cardinal principles of Pythianism which was greatly enjoyed by all those who were privileged to hear it. Rev. P. R. Law, D. D., of Charlotte, next spoke interestingly on the subject of the Pythian orphanage located at Clayton. He was followed by Prof. J. G. Baird, of Charlotte, on the "Future of Pythianism," whose address was one of the most excellent of those delivered at the meeting. Prof. Baird is editor of the Carolina Pythian, published at Charlotte. Interesting and instructive talks were then made by Supreme Representative T. S. Franklin, Grand Vice-Chancellor A. E. McCausland and Mr. T. W. Dixon, of Charlotte; Messrs. D. P. Dellinger and J. S. P. Carpenter, of Cherryville; Mr. George H. Royster, of Greensboro, and Messrs. G. W. Wilson and A. G. Mangum, of Gastonia.

The meeting was one of the most successful and enjoyable ever held here, and the local lodge is now in the most flourishing condition it has ever been. Applications were received from six new members. There will be degree work for several weeks to come.

The following is a list of the visiting delegates:

- A. E. McCausland, Thomas Franklin, John F. York, W. T. McCoy, G. P. Heilig, T. W. Sims, W. O. Gaffney, J. M. Stinson, J. D. Woodside, E. J. Rhyne, J. G. Baird, F. D. Alexander, Dr. P. R. Law, F. L. Black, E. W. Berryhill, and T. A. Williams, of Rathbone Lodge No. 37 Charlotte.
- T. W. Dixon, W. C. Wilson, Louis R. Avant, C. F. Shuman, and F. M. Shannonhouse, of Mecklenburg Lodge No. 83 Charlotte.
- C. E. Whitney, R. D. Ormand, Grady Phifer, D. K. Tate, C. A. Mitchell, R. C. Kennedy, H. S. Young, of Whetstone Lodge No. 103 Bessemer City.
- J. B. Thomasson, F. W. McGill, J. E. Lipford, M. L. Harmon, D. H. Houser, of Kings Mountain Lodge No. 94, Kings Mountain.
- J. E. Hornbuckle, of Concord Lodge No. 58, Concord.
- G. R. Grice, of Mount Holly Lodge No. 68, Mount Holly.
- D. R. Mauney, J. S. P. Carpenter, Dr. R. J. Morrison, Attorney D. P. Dellinger, of Cherryville Lodge No. 174, Cherryville.
- G. H. Royster, of Greensboro Lodge No. 80, Greensboro.
- James D. Nutt, of Clarendon Lodge No. 2, Wilmington.
- G. L. Hackney, Pisgah Lodge No. 32, Asheville.

### HAVE EYES ON NEW YORK.

Fight Among Political Leaders for Control Has Vital Bearing Upon Next Presidential Race.

New York, March 15.—Because of its vital bearing upon the next presidential campaign, politicians through out the country are directing attention toward this state, as a result of the fight among republican leaders for control of the state organization. Developments at Washington, where conferences are in progress between President Taft, Senator Root and other leaders, are being followed carefully.

It is reported that Senator Root is sounding individual committeemen on the question of the resignation of party control and the elimination of Timothy Woodruff.

### Liners for the South.

Berlin, March 14.—The Hamburg-American Steamship Company has decided to open a transatlantic passenger line to Southern ports of the United States, in consequence of the rapid development of these points. The headquarters of this service will be at New Orleans, and there will be monthly sailings.

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New Well of Catarrh.

Miss Malissa Jolley, Parmele, N. C., writes: "I have been taking your Peruna, and can say that I am well of the catarrh.

"I thank you for your kindness and your advice."

### PLEA FOR WORLD PEACE.

Andrew Carnegie Has a 50,000-Copy Edition of a Pamphlet Written by Himself Published for Free Distribution Throughout the Country.

New York, March 14.—Andrew Carnegie, as president of the Peace Society of New York, has just had published for free distribution throughout the country a 50,000-copy edition of a pamphlet written by himself in which he pleads for world peace.

"In our age," says Mr. Carnegie "there is no more reason for permitting war between civilized nations than for relaxing the reign of law within nations, which compels men to submit their personal disputes to peaceful courts, and never dreams that by so doing they will be made less heroic.

"A peace league of the foremost nations should put an end to the possibility of war among themselves and compel other nations to submit their disputes to peaceful tribunals. Since war decides not which is wrong, but only which is strong, it is difficult to understand how a truly heroic or conscientious man can ever favor appeal to it, unless, after proffering peaceful arbitration, his country is attacked.

"Should ever our country have a dispute with another, the demand should come from an irresistible number of the most enlightened and heroic of our people that our government should in its right hand carry gentle peace and offer its adversary arbitration.

"When war ceases, the sense of human brotherhood will be strengthened and 'heroism' will no longer mean to kill but to save and serve our fellows."

### PARTY IS IN DANGER.

Senator Cullom Says That, Unless Their Differences Are Harmonized, Republicans May Meet Defeat.

Springfield, Ill., March 15.—United States Senator Shelby M. Cullom, republican, of Illinois, in a letter to the republican editor's convention here, declares:

"It seems strange to me, but the republican party, with its magnificent record, is in danger of defeat unless we harmonize our differences and present a solid front to the enemy in the coming election, attacks by republicans on republicans must cease."

Senator Cullom believes party success is in danger.

### Better Have a Care.

Charlotte Observer. British suffragettes have decided not to employ the kiss in extending their propaganda. But who would want to kiss a British suffragette, anyway?

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