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THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 1912.

At the present writing it looks as though spring would arrive on schedule time.

This is the season of the year when the Easter bonnet joke ceases to be one to the head of the household.

The Boston Herald says: The President's day in New Hampshire was marked by no less enthusiasm than that which prevailed in Boston.

The New York World says: On the day after St. Patrick's Mr. Roosevelt's auto struck in the mire.

The Providence Tribune will take possession on April 1st of the Barton block, located in the heart of the business district of Providence.

Rumor in railroad circles has it that the bad luck with its fast passenger trains which Pennsylvania experienced this winter turned a considerable amount of its patronage of such trains over the New York Central.

Governor Foss of Massachusetts was noticeably absent from the charitable Irish society dinner Monday evening.

Rev. Henry N. Pringle of the Maine Christian Civic League is a man that is evidently up to snuff.

Secretary Knox is after more business. Success to him.

Col. Roosevelt will have the support of The Outlook from start to finish.

The rumors of a base ball trust may result in turning what was once a cheerful and enjoyable game into a political issue.

Whatever advantage the patent laws may give monopolies, the inventors themselves cannot be taken no other.

caused as a rule of having taken much of a grip on the financial proceeds.

Debt would not be so hard if a promissory note could be made the subject of the liberal interpretation claimed for the assurances of some of the candidates.

Many people contend that the Supreme Court puts some of its most original and forceful work into its dissenting opinions.

The voters are going to make up their own minds this year and vote accordingly.

The automobile exhibition are giving the horse show a race for its money in popular favor.

A clean sweep is all right, but the present questions "Who shall do the sweeping?"

March came in like an African lion, but it is due to go out like a candidate for a third term.

The club that flies the base ball pennant now gives heed to the maxim: "pride goeth before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall."

To add to England's troubles the parliamentary expedient adopted to settle the coal strike threatens to cause a general political upheaval.

President Madero of Mexico is probably grateful to the mountaineers of Hillsville, Va., for effecting a diversion of American attention from his particular brand of disturbance.

New York in the attempt to blow up Judge Rosalesky adopted the primitive judicial recall suggested by Virginia mountaineers quickly enough to maintain its reputation for being thoroughly up-to-date.

AMONG OUR EXCHANGES. The Anti-Taft Failure.

And now it is explained that Mr. Roosevelt got into the game too late. Had he shied his castor into the ring earlier, the result would have been different. Well, well!

The fact is, that the Taft administration needed the jar of an attack succeeding an administration whose methods at times had been spectacular it had been proceeding too smoothly and unemotionally for effect on a public grows familiar with excitement. It had done many good things by they had not been highly advertised. Because of that fact, some had been underrated. Others had escaped notice altogether.

The insurgents misled by the calm made the mistake of denouncing the administration as a failure. What had it done to redeem party pledges? What is it promising in the way of policies of its own? What reason was there for the talk of a second term for Mr. Taft? Why not turn to Mr. La Follette or Mr. Cummins, or return to Mr. Roosevelt and ask for power in behalf of somebody and something really republican?

Then the country woke up. Then republicans of other than the insurgent shade of feeling began to take notice, and prepared to answer questions.

Upon investigation it appeared that the administration had done a good deal to redeem pledges and had and was pushing some excellent policies of its own. The record was republican and right, and the President of the same color. Why should not Mr. Taft have a second term?

ALL WRONG. The Mistake is Made by Many Portsmouth Citizens.

Don't mistake the cause of backache. To be cured you must know the cause.

It is wrong to imagine relief is cure. Backache is kidney ache. You must cure the kidneys.

A Portsmouth resident tells you how. George Byers, 172 Bates St., Portsmouth, N. H., says: "My kidneys became disordered some years ago and I suffered severely from pains and lameness in my back. The kidney secretions were too frequent in passage and at night I was obliged to arise several times. I doctored and tried several remedies, but was unable to find relief until I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at Philbrick's Pharmacy. They brought the most satisfactory results. After I had finished the contents of two boxes my trouble had disappeared."

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FIFTY YEARS AGO TODAY

Gleanings From Files of Portsmouth Chronicle

Our readers will find in another and handsome walks, made as beautiful a garden as I ever saw. Some persons of wealth and taste must have lived here, but they showed very poor taste in running away and leaving it.

The health of the regiment is good; all from Portsmouth I believe are on duty. The steamship Atlantic will leave here today, taking our mail and some discharged soldiers of our regiment, two from Co. D, one from Co. G, four from Co. I, and one from Co. K, nine in all, discharged for disability by the Surgeon. Our aggregate this morning was 961. We are expecting some recruits from New Hampshire this month. Adj. Hill is in good health and busily engaged with his many duties. Col. Fellows is acting as Brig. General and Commander of the post, leaving me in command of the regiment.

I should be happy to hear from you occasionally and have you send me a paper. A large proportion of the papers sent to soldiers here never reach their destination. I should not be so as a paper from home is second only to a letter while away from friends. I must close now in time for the mail. Remember me to inquiring friends. Yours etc., John H. Jackson, Lieut. Co. Com. 3d N. H. V.

The Morris Minstrels will give performances at the Temple on Monday and Tuesday evenings. This company is composed of twelve performers, including Dick Sands, who is said to be the best clog dancer in the country.

What reason was there for turning or returning to another at his expense? What would be gained for the party or the country by setting aside a man who had done so well for Mister Anybody?

The friends of Mr. Taft accepted the challenge in a way that told upon public sentiment at once. And since then they have met all comers, whether from Wisconsin, Iowa or Oyster Bay. All they are asking is that the record be examined; not in part, but in whole and in a spirit of fair play. Give Mr. Taft his due. Try him on his merits. Test his performances by the results.

This is what ails the Roosevelt boom. It had previously knocked in one cocked hat both the Cummins boom and the La Follette boom. Surely the Iowa senator and the Wisconsin senator got into the game early enough. If it had been possible to play it successfully—if Mr. Taft had been the undeserving man of insurgent description—one or other of them would have made the case plain and the path clear for the anti-Taft forces.

They failed because they had no case. They threw a boomerang. They aroused the country, but got the worst of the excitement. Mr. Taft's merits proved to be far in excess of his demerits; and the more they are examined the better they please. The final result will doubtless be the union of the La Follette, the Cummins and the Roosevelt forces for action against the democracy in favor of the man their party is apparently preparing to renounce at Chicago.—Washington Star.

ONE TRICK OF THE TRADE Old Meat Dealer's Method of Getting a Reputation for Giving Very Good Weight.

The very latest trick of the trade was taught to the young butcher by the marketman who gave him his first employment. The old dealer pointed to trays of beef, lamb and pork trimmings beneath the counter.

"When customers ask to have all the waste that has been cut from their own meat wrapped up with their order be sure to put in a few of these trimmings besides," he said. "Most always they want the scraps sent home so they can weigh the whole business and find out whether they are getting full weight or not. Enough extra pieces to tip the scales half an ounce beyond the supposed weight won't hurt anybody and will give us a good name."

Shortly after that the new clerk heard one frugal housewife say to another: "Oh, why don't you trade at Blank's? He gives such good measure; often almost an ounce more than you pay for."

The clerk smiled.

DANGERS OF FAT

How Fat Affects the Brain. Just how fat affects and finally destroys the brain, is not exactly known; however, degeneration and final collapse of brain tissue, due to this cause, is of frequent occurrence. Head pains, and head heaviness, which are often experienced by fat people, may indicate that this degenerating process is imminent. The return of this fatty tissue to normal brain substance, may and probably will result if the overproduction of fat is stopped in other parts of the body. Thousands of fat people have depended entirely for reductions to normal weight, upon Marmola Prescription Tablets, which are made after the exact formula of the famous liquid Marmola Prescription. While taking these tablets for the reduction of fat, no dieting or exercise are necessary, as a reduction of 10 to 15 lbs. a day is accomplished by prevention as well as elimination of fat. Marmola Prescription Tablets are sold at all druggists or the Marmola Co., 378 Farmer Bldg., Detroit, Mich., at the uniform price of 75 cents for a large case. They remove the fat already formed; prevent its re-formation; clear the complexion and tone up the entire system.

Although March 23 was the day authorized for the opening of the Cambridge subway, many persons were given the opportunity of inspecting its mysteries before that date, and all agree that the twelve million dollars involved have been well expended. An interested statistician has figured that nineteen days per year will be saved to Cambridge and their neighbors who use the new subway daily to go to and from their work. The reduction in running time from Harvard Square to Park street by 15 minutes means a saving of three hours a week. The historical comparisons suggested by the Cambridge subway are of a sort to appeal to most Americans who have come to look upon eastern Massachusetts as a Mecca for historical and literary pilgrimages. Harvard, though hardly three miles from Boston as the crow flies was far out in the country during colonial times. When General Washington as Commander-in-Chief of the forces belonging to the New England capital made his headquarters in the Craigie House, destined later to be the poet Longfellow's residence, the college grounds in Cambridge were reached from the seaport only by two circuitous routes, over which in times of peace lumbering stage coaches piled at intervals. One journey used a ferry across the Charles in the North End, starting from about the point at which Paul Revere embarked on his midnight ride. Thence the way wound in under Breed's Hill and Bunker Hill over Charlestown Neck and thereafter, with a turn to the left through what is now the city of Somerville, to Harvard Square. The other route to Cambridge, led from Boston southward over the neck of the peninsula into Roxbury and then westward across Muddy River and its adjacent settlement which is now the wealthy suburb of Brookline to a point near the college where the Charles River was narrow enough to be crossed by a bridge. Not until several years after the Revolution, specifically in 1793, was a direct line of travel to Boston across the Cambridgeport marshes, which route the new subway now follows, made by the building of a bridge over the Back Bay where it is about a third of a mile wide. The West Boston pile bridge, hailed by its contemporaries as a magnificent structure" was built at a cost of about \$76,700. It was regarded as one of the engineering feats of the century. Where it stood the subway drains now cross the estuary on a three million dollar bridge of steel and masonry, whose four central towers and impressive pylons at either end compare favorably in appearance with any of the modern bridges on the Seine or Thames.

President Charles S. Mellen, of the New York & New Haven and Boston & Maine, was the principal speaker at the Merchants Club dinner on Tuesday evening, when ninety of Boston's and New England leading business men sat down to their quarterly dinner. These who heard Mr. Mellen say that it was the greatest speech that has been heard in Boston for years. Mr. Mellen handled several important subjects in a manner that simply amazed his hearers. He talked on the business situation in the country, on newspapers, and other topics, and his address showed clear insightfulness on each subject and was applauded to the echo. An effort is being made to have him agree to its publication for the use of the press.

Vice President Timothy E. Byrnes of the Boston & Maine, who is handling that big railroad directly under Mr. Mellen, scored an emphatic hit with the traveling and business men the other day when he announced in a signed article in the various Maine and New Hampshire newspapers that he desired to hear directly of any complaints as to freight and passenger service now being afforded by the road, calling upon the shippers to write him fully regarding any inefficiency or need of further service. Mr. Byrnes has put ginger into the Boston & Maine from one end to the other, and his efficiency program is working out most satisfactorily. He is going on the principle that when people start for the Hub they should get there on time, and he is working on the theory that every section of New England is entitled to the same treatment as Boston gets.

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WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE METROPOLIS

Opening of Cambridge Subway a Great Saving In Time

Boston, March 22, 1912.—The annual bursting forth into "Glory" by justifications over every eagerly awaited sign of spring newspapers herald the glad tidings—three "Robins on Pope's Hill, Dorchester, or grass greening the suburbs, peckaboo waits (as if they had) buds bursting on the plants and shrubs at the Arnold Arboretum and elsewhere, even on the backyard fence; being beaten in suburban house lots, butterflies and bluejays and moving vans bobbing up serenely hither and yon, and the first stroke of the Harvard crew in the open waters of the Charles.

What more does one need to produce the smile that wont come off, and the wandering eye of the office shut-in whose desk is so placed that it comes within range of a window, even though the window looks upon nothing more springlike than the glaucous blue of the sky and a neighboring house-top where animated groups of pigeons bill and coo in the warm sunshine? If further proof is needed, one has only to note that the morning mail brings announcements of the exhibition of paintings by Dodge MacKnight at the St. Botolph Club. The annual harbingers of the vividly colored "Dodge MacKnightmares," the brightest group of paintings of the school of Boston impressionists, is the final and irrevocable signal that "spring has come."

The fixing of a women \$50 for giving short weight in a pint of beans, which occurred in a suburban court recently, impresses one with the difference in the administration of justice as applied to the case of the small grocery proprietor and the much discussed conduct of the pure food bureau of the Department of Agriculture. The woman on whom this unparalleled fine was imposed maintains a small corner store, and her daughter tended the store during the mother's illness, for a short time. The daughter was charged with selling a pin of beans about three ounces short in measure, the result being the heavy fine imposed

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