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77th YEAR. AMUSEMENTS TO-DAY AND EVENING.

ACADEMY—Jim the Penman. ALHAMBRA—Vanderbilt.

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They administer to suspects a few whiffs of nitrous oxide, so that in their subconsciousment the patients will throw light on dark points.

Even a layman can point out the necessity for the use of extreme care in the application of this method of getting at facts.

There is a lesson in the story of the man who undertook to minister to a horse by blowing powders through a tube down the animal's throat.

and whose plan doubtless would have been executed successfully had not the horse coughed.

In this connection also it is well to recall the recent experience of the Stanley committee in its pleasant session with Mr. Carnegie.

The air of the committee room was heavy with laughing gas, but it was furnished by the distinguished patient, and the inhaling was done by the inquirers.

"Don't rock baby to sleep," Chicago nurses warn classes of "little mothers."

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., after spending \$100,000 in his two years' fight against "white slavery," announces that he will turn his attention to some other field of public duty.

Four die and many others suffer with exposure as the cold wave is reported to be broken.

Dr. Eugene F. Hoyt announces that the use of "laughing gas" as a method of obtaining confessions from criminals would beat the police "third degree" or hypnosis in clearing crime mysteries.

Harry Smith, the Pastime A.C., leads forty hardy athletes in a race over nine miles of snow and ice.

B. M. Higginson and S. Scott tie for high gun at the Larchmont Yacht Club club pigeon shoot.

Price movement in the stock market ruled irregular during the last week, favorable factors failing to overcome the effect of the Equitable Building fire until the later days.

The United States runs a good race with Great Britain and Germany in the world's steel trade.

Representatives of the Rutland Railroad Stockholders' Committee assert that the road lost heavily in the South Shore syndicate deal.

A Mighty Power in Civic Life. Out of the movement for the formation of a party for mutual protection in municipal matters of all interests connected with reality, announced at the dinner of the Real Estate Board of Brokers, may grow a power that will exert the greatest influence for good in this city.

Real estate bears the great burden of city expenses. For all our great improvements it must pay the bulk of the bill.

When it is assessed for more than it will bring in the market it carries more than its share. Increased efficiency, extension of service for protection from fire, improvements in streets, parks, schools, subways, docks, water—all come from the real estate taxes.

If real estate has a grievance it can best make that grievance heard by taking well considered and conservative steps in the direction of unity. If it acts with wisdom it can be supreme.

But to the men who are going into this amalgamation a word of advice. Avoid the self-seeking politician as you would the evil one. Let no man creep in who would assist the cause for which you are laboring because he might get advancement. Reject offers from every one who refuses to pledge himself not to take a nomination. Above all, distrust the single taxer.

Inactivity and Greediness. New York is a great city—the greatest in the country. It was made great by the advantages conferred upon it by nature, its unequalled harbor, the streams and waterways which connect it with the interior and the "lay of the land," which brought the railway terminals inevitably to its gates.

It was made great by the energy, resourcefulness and prevision of the men who laid the foundations of its commerce, its industry and its commercial and financial activity.

There are other cities in the country, West, South and North, which desire to become great and they are seeking to deserve greatness. By ceaseless activity, by agreements and by legislation they have succeeded in nullifying to a large extent the advantages given to New York by nature and by the founders of its commercial supremacy. New York is still growing. The totals of its diversified vastness stagger the imagination. But the comparison of percentages tells another story. It is time for the business men of New York to look to their city. Real greatness cannot be maintained by inactivity.

Midshipman Valentine's Sentence. There is a strong probability that the public will approve the action of Secretary Meyer in disapproving the recommendation that Midshipman Valentine, of Brooklyn, be dismissed from the Naval Academy. His record of demerits had reached the fatal number of 125 because he had laughed in church, which is deplorable, but perhaps at times not entirely inexcusable, and because he had said "M-m-m-m" class" when leaving the ground flanked by two first classmen, this answer being resorted to because second classmen were not entitled to leave the grounds.

But the temptation was very great. Midshipman Valentine had an engagement to take a young girl to the football game, and when his use of saying "M-m-m-m" didn't work and he was required to speak clearly he owned to the fact that he belonged to the second class.

So Midshipman Valentine is not guilty of falsehood, according to the Secretary's ruling, but only guilty of suppressing part of the truth, and everybody will be glad he got off.

Why Not Madison Square Garden? The World, admitting it has lost its way of a dinner to Colonel Henry Waterson, invites the distinguished Kentuckian to "name the time, the place, the food and the guests." With no desire to interfere in the affairs of our friends, the HERALD respectfully suggests that it be held in Madison Square Garden and that the doors be thrown open.

Light from Laughing Gas. Following his observations on the effects of laughing gas, a physician concludes that some men will speak the truth when out of their senses. Coincidentally he offers to his learned brethren, the legal prosecutors, the suggestion that

ING BY CLEARING AND COLDER WEATHER. In the Middle Atlantic States and New England to-day cloudy weather with snow will prevail, with fresh, variable winds and slight temperature changes.

January 15, 1911. One year ago to-day the weather was cloudy. The minimum temperature was 20 degrees and the maximum 44 degrees.

Yesterday's Temperature. The following record shows the changes in the temperature for the last twenty-four hours in comparison with the corresponding date of last year, as indicated by the NEW YORK HERALD thermometer.

Table with temperature data for 1911 and 1912: 1911, 1912, 1911, 1912.

Average temperature yesterday, 16 1/2 degrees. Average temperature for corresponding date last year, 42 degrees.

Barometer—8 A. M., 30.69; 3 P. M., 30.38; 8 P. M., 30.22 inches.

Weather in Winter Resorts. Reports received by the HERALD indicate that the temperature and weather prevailing at prominent winter resorts at noon yesterday were approximately as follows:

Table with weather data for various resorts: Aiken, S. C., Atlantic City, N. J., Camden Heights, S. C., etc.

Weather in Foreign Capitals. Paris weather yesterday was fair all day, although slightly misty.

London, Monday.—Overcast weather with southerly winds prevailed here yesterday. The temperature rose from 44 degrees to 47 degrees Fahrenheit.

Washington. Invitations have been issued by the Secretary of Agriculture for a dinner on February 15 for the President and Mrs. Taft.

Mrs. Stevenson Burke, of Cleveland, Ohio, is the guest of Mrs. Richmond Pearson Hobson.

Mrs. J. Fairfield Carpenter has returned to Washington from Casanova, N. Y.

Colonel and Mrs. Robert M. Thompson will give a musical to-morrow night.

Mrs. Reynolds Hill, who is a guest of Mrs. Robert Hill, will leave Washington on Thursday to join Mr. Hill in Guatemala.

Mr. George Bachmetoff, the Russian Ambassador, has been transferred to Siam and will leave Washington soon for his new post.

Mons. Lefevre Pontalis, Counselor of the French Embassy, has been transferred to Siam and will leave Washington soon for his new post.

In Diplomatic Circles. 102,365 Cross to Canada Homes. [SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] OTTAWA, Ont., Sunday.—In the nine months ended December 31, 102,365 persons emigrated from the United States to Canada, according to statistics of the Canadian Immigration Department.

YACHT MOVEMENTS. [SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., Sunday.—The auxiliary knockabout XL, with her owner, Captain Leander A. Jeffrey, and family on board, for Bayshore, L. I., is in port bound for Miami.

SOCIETY NOTES. New York. Mrs. Maturin Livingston will give a luncheon on January 18.

Mrs. Orme Wilson will give a dinner on January 23.

Mrs. Stephen H. P. Pell will give a dinner at Sherry's and afterward a musical at No. 3 East Sixty-ninth street on Sunday.

Mrs. Woodbury Kane went to Boston yesterday to visit Dr. and Mrs. William Appleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt spent yesterday in Hyde Park, N. Y.

Mrs. Joseph Stetkey has returned from a week's visit in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan, Jr., were at East Island, L. I., yesterday.

Boston. Miss Margaret Thomas, of No. 20 Gloucester street, will come to New York this week to attend the marriage of Miss Beatrice Flagg and Mr. Oliver Iselin.

Invitations have been issued for the bachelors' ball, which is to be given at the Hotel Somerset, February 7.

A disturbance central yesterday in the upper lake regions will move to the eastward and cloudy weather with snow is indicated in the North Atlantic States to-day, but will be followed by clearing conditions in this region to-morrow.

Temperatures, which rose rapidly in this section last night, will remain nearly stationary until to-night, when they will again become low as the low pressure moves off the coast.

Fresh, variable breezes are indicated off the coast from the Cape of the Delaware to Boston.

IN NEW YORK AND NEIGHBORING REGIONS TO-DAY CLOUDY WEATHER WITH SNOW WILL PREVAIL WITH FRESH, VARIABLE WINDS AND NEARLY STATIONARY TEMPERATURES, FOLLOWING IN THE EVEN-

started on a two months' trip through Egypt and along the Nile a few days ago, expect to return the latter part of March.

Philadelphia. Mrs. W. York Stevenson will give a dinner of sixty covers before the second assembly on February 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dilworth Beggs will give a dinner on January 25 for Mrs. Edith Earle at their home in Bryn Mawr.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bain, Jr., will give a theatre party and a supper to-night for Miss Katherine Kremer.

Mrs. Charles S. W. Packard will hold the first of her Monday afternoon receptions to-day at her home, No. 28 South Twenty-first street.

Mrs. Edwin Swift Balch will assist Mrs. Thomas Balch and Miss Balch in receiving this afternoon at No. 1,412 Spruce street.

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Governor Foss to be crowned with a 'plug hat' has captured the sturdy West."

Hat Omitted. Washington Post—"Circus riders who straddle eight horses could learn something about their business by studying the Hon. Gene Foss' platform."

Burnished Cymbal. Boston Record—"Governor Foss' boom begins to glow like a burnished cymbal."

Feather in the Band. Washington Star—"Governor Foss might have worn a fuzzy alpine hat with a feather in the band."

Democratic Simplicity. New York World—"The inauguration in a derby hat was an exhibition of democratic simplicity."

Silk Stockings. Brooklyn Eagle—"No silk hat and no silk stockings offer the alpha and the omega of the democratic dressing."

Golf Cap. Boston Transcript—"Governor Foss may have adopted the derby only after much consideration of the expediency of wearing a golf cap."

Populistic Wool. New York Tribune—"What would have happened had Governor Foss worn a populistic wool hat?"

Since John Quincy Adams. Boston Globe—"No Massachusetts man has been elected President since John Quincy Adams. Governor Foss thinks it is time now for another Massachusetts President."

UNCOVER HUGE GRAFT BY MEXICAN OFFICIALS. Arrests Imminent of Men Connected with Diaz Government for Public Building Frauds.

[BY MEXICAN CABLE TO THE HERALD.] MEXICO CITY, via GALVESTON, Texas, Sunday.—Investigation of wholesale graft in the construction of the Federal Legislative Palace and also of the National Theatre and other public buildings is expected to lead to the arrest of prominent persons connected with the Diaz government.

Court officials admit warrants have been issued, but withhold names. A surplus of 5,392,604 pesos is shown in the statement of the national railways for the first half of the fiscal year, ending December 31. This is exclusive of all fixed charges and interest on bonds. More than four million pesos is applicable to dividends on underlying stocks after the usual two per cent semi-annual payment on first preferred.

MR. BORDEN TO AID GRAND TRUNK PLAN. Pacific Road Requires \$25,000,000, and Government, It Is Thought, Will Guarantee Stock Issue.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE HERALD.] OTTAWA, Ont., Sunday.—Owing to the attitude of the conservative party heretofore with reference to the Grand Trunk Pacific Railroad, considerable interest attaches in political circles to the application made by that company for legislative authority to issue further debenture stock to the amount of \$25,000,000. The road is costing more than was estimated and additional financing is requisite. It is understood that the new Dominion government is being asked for bond guarantees in connection with the projected issue, and while its members opposed when out of power, the terms of the contract between the Laurier government and the company, it is believed that as the work is so far advanced it will not withhold the assistance necessary to early completion.

The Grand Trunk Railway also seeks power to acquire the first mortgage bonds of the Grand Trunk Western Railroad to an amount not exceeding thirty million dollars, and to issue consolidated debenture stock to an aggregate upon which the interest shall not exceed one million dollars annually.

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In New York Hotels. Savoy—Mr. and Mrs. John Saunders, Wichita, Kan., and Mr. and Mrs. William Knight Springfield, Mass.

Manhattan—Mr. A. Bond, Baltimore, and Mr. D. B. Hyde, New Haven, Conn.

St. Regis—Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Rollins, Concord, N. H., and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Proctor, Boston.

Manhattan—Mr. Frank Hitchcock, Washington, and Mr. Frank Osgood, Pittsburg.

Seville—Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Fisher, Cincinnati, and Mrs. J. D. Hooker, San Francisco.

Buckingham—Mr. and Mrs. F. Cooper, Albany, and Mr. Lyman Abbott, Cornwall on the Hudson.

Hotel Astor—Mrs. H. B. Wilson, Washington, and Mr. E. H. Lauer, San Francisco.

Imperial—Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Shamer, Dayton, Ohio.

Vanderbilt—Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Wachtel, Milwaukee, and Mrs. Van Rensselaer Smith, New York City.

Victoria—Mr. R. E. Davidson, Toronto, and Mr. E. R. Munson, Detroit.

Knickerbocker—Mr. W. H. Ade, Chicago, and Mr. George de la Vergne, Paris.

Arrivals in Washington. HERALD BUREAU, No. 1,502 H STREET, N. Y., WASHINGTON, D. C., Sunday.

Among the arrivals at Washington hotels to-day were—

The Shoreham—Senator James A. O'Gorman, Mr. Paul Dickey, Mr. and Miss L. Plummer, Mr. Newman, Mr. J. McMullen, Mr. Robert U. Johnson, Mr. J. D. McGill, and Mrs. E. M. Carr, of New York.

The New Willard—Mr. George F. Canfield, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Reed, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Morrison, Mr. W. G. Davis, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Heyn, of New York.

To-Day in New York. Bankers of the city of New York, annual dinner, Waldorf-Astoria, half-past seven P. M.

Seventh regiment review to honor Generals Smith and Austen and Major Palmer, armory, half-past eight P. M.

Country, Farm and Garden Club, lecture by George L. Towell, Waldorf-Astoria, a quarter past four P. M.

Public lecture by Miss Madeline S. Doty, "The Children's Court," St. Luke's Hall, No. 43 Hudson street, eight P. M.

Buffalo Express—"No, Governor Foss, the American people have stood for many things in their Presidents, but they never will stand for a man that wears a derby hat with a frock coat."

Sturdy West. Boston Advertiser—"The refusal of

Letters from Herald Readers. Writer Favors Abolition of the Death Penalty and Declares Its Infliction Encourages Murder.

To THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.—Indorsing Governor Dix in his position regarding the abolition of the death penalty, permit me to say that so long as we believe collectively, i. e., by law in the killing process, so long will the individual practice be. Do we not set the example?

The abolition of the death penalty, as you say, may be a "dangerous experiment." So were the abolition of slavery and the abolition of many other forms of human torments, but always were paid enormous principle leading to a higher, better man.

CONRAD SCHWITZER. SOUTH ORANGE, N. J., Jan. 12, 1912.

WANTS AMERICANS TO SING. To THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.—I think that the management of the Metropolitan Opera House would please many music lovers and patrons if it afforded an opportunity of hearing Mme. de Pasquali, who, whenever she has appeared here, has been greeted with great and well deserved enthusiasm.

I had the pleasure of hearing her in several operas at the Metropolitan Opera House. I remember among them "The Marriage of Figaro," "L'Elisir d'Amore" and "Lucia." In all of them she acquitted herself most artistically.

While foreign singers are paid enormous salaries, it would appear only fair that our own American girls should have a chance once in a while, especially when they deserve it.

A. B. MORRIS. NEW YORK CITY, Jan. 12, 1912.

THIRD TERM QUESTION. To THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.—In to-day's HERALD is a cartoon which implies that Mr. Roosevelt is seeking a third term, and there is a list of Presidents for whom two terms were enough.

Strangely enough, the name of Ulysses S. Grant is in the list. He gave his approval of third terms by running a third time.

I think Mr. Dewey showed clearly some years ago that Theodore Roosevelt could have been President during the present term without violating the third term policy.

If he now feels like taking it again it would be his second term as President, not his third, and Mr. Dewey could wait until 1916 for his second term, thus following the example of Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Roosevelt.

GEORGE