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THE OLD FOLKS.

Old Folks' day in Utah is always a freat occasion, and yesterday was not in exception to the rule. The weather, hough somewh t hot for the season. vas in every other respect ideal. The ild folks were out in force, and they mjoyed themselves, thoroughly, It is a beautiful thought that has lound its expression in these reunions if veterans. We believe it was a ormer governor of Utah, who said, eferring to the labors of the late Elder C. R. Savage, that if a man had nothng else to his credit in the books above han being the originator of Old Folks' lay, that alone ought to insure him iternal salvation. And this expresses i general sentiment. The young folks tore just love to see the Olk Folks neet, and to serve them. They feel sappy in their happiness, and thus exregience the purest and most intense if all enjoyments-the pleasure of un-

Bifish service. Old Folks' day is one on which al neet on a common platform. There is to distinction as to creed, color, or poltics, on that day. There are no social grades on that occasion, and no naional divisions. There is but one uman family, one brotherhood. And hus it exppresses the very highest deal of the religion of Jesus. It anicipates the state of human perfection when mankind shall become one, in perfect peace and harmony.

The management of the entertainnent are to be congratulated.on the niccessful carrying out of every detail of the complex arrangements. Through he generosity of the general public ind their willingness to serve, success vas achieved. Many generous donadons were received. Owners of autonobiles and vehicles responded almost to a man to the call for assistance. The Fort Douglas band, Held's band, and the ladies comprising the D. A. R. band renerously came out and played stirring nelodies to the delighted guests of ionor. We believe we express the true entiment of the committee when we ay that the services of these organizations, as well as of those who took part n the excellent program and those who srepared and waited at the tables are sppreciated beyond what words can exress. Through co-operation success was achieved.

We trust the Old Folks may have nany more years to live among the rounger generation. We trust they nay not feel that they are useless They are not. The younger men and women need the spirit in which they went forth conquering and to conquer. It was said of ancient Israel that they served the Lord as long as the old vet-

they pay their neglectful servants to We hope the warfare against the public traffic in immorality will continue. In this City it is unlawful to rent property for immoral purposes, or to resort to any place for such purposes. It is just as unlawful to have such places in Victoria Alley as in the 'stockade." If the law is enforced, how long would it take before the traffic would be entirely suppressed? If not only the women, but the men and the property owners, as contemplated by the law, were held responsible, how would the conflict last? We hope he good work will continue until the 'ity is made as clean as a city, under resent circumstances, can be. Good overnment is not possible until the lement that lives on corruption is

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The following letter is self-explanatory. The attention of veterans of the Utah Indian wars is called to its contents:

tents: "Provo, June 29, 1909. "Editor Descret Evening News, Salt Lake City, Utah. "Dear Sir:--As many of the Utah Didian War Veterans have been wrlt-ing us, making enquiry concerning the Grand Army parade in Salt Lake City, next August, and whether they (the Veterans) would form a portion of said parade as escort; will you kindly publish the following, which is a copy of a letter received from Col. Frank M. Sterrett, Executive Director, G. A. R:

"Salt Lake City, June 21st, 1909. "Dear Sir:-Since talking with you the other day in reference to your the other day in reference to your association acting as an escort for the Commander-in-Chief in the Graud Army Parade, August 11, 1909, I have had an interview with Col. Scott of the 15th U. S. Infantry and General Wedgwood, of the Utah National Guard, and each of them say that while it would please them very much to have your association become part of the escort on that occasion, they have heretofore made it a rule not to admit any escort duty, which they per-form, other than military organiza-tions, and for that reason it seems best to decline your very courteous offer to serve on that occasion. offer to serve on that occasion. "Very truly,

"F. M. STERRETT, "Executive Director G. A. R. "M. L. Pratt, Adj. Gen'i Indian War Vet, Ass. Provo, Utah. "The publication of the above will answer all questions concerning the matter mentioned, "Yours Truly, M. L. PRATT.

CAPE COD CANAL.

Ten years ago the Massachusetts legislature authorized the construction of the Cap Cod canal, on which work has just begun. This waterway will connect Barnstable bay with Buzzards bay, thus completely cutting the land of which Cap Cod is the extremity, off from the mainland. The canal will be the work of private enterprise, and cost in the neighborhood of \$12,000,000.

This canal will shorten the distance between New York and Boston about 100 miles. It will open an escape from the extremely dangerous part of the ocean that extends from Provincetown to Monomoy. For one hundred years the bones of seamen and the remnants of sailing crafts have whitened along those treacherous shoals and sands. It is estimated that 2,000 vessels have been lost there since 1800; that this terrible toll will cease is to be one of the chief blessings of the new route.

The idea of connecting Barnstable bay with the Gulf of Mexico, by a serles of canals, has been contemplated. This would shorten the distance and make sailing safe. But the expense of it? Well, when nations do not spend all their substance upon armaments,

powerfully influences impressive minds as to lead them to imitate even suicides. If one man jumps off the bridge, another who reads about it, will follow. If one woman ties her hands behind her back and precipitates herself into the river, another is likely to do precisely the same thing. And the more shocking, the more painful to the body, the more distasteful these sulcide methods seem to be, the more certain

it is that when an example is furnished It will be followed. One Jack the Ripper breeds a dozen more criminals of his kind of those who read about him. Murders and suicides generally occur in groups. But if this is true of what we read, t is still more true of what we see.

Pictures create deeper impressions than words. The bad pictures of the movng picture shows have a more demoralizing effect than any "yellow journal." If the pictures are not of such a quality that any gentleman can invite a refined lady to see them, they

ire bad. And of this the ladies themselves ought to be the judges. The educational value of good ple-

turee is universaly recognized. And it has therefore been proposed to introduce them in the public schools in order to instruct the children in such subjects as the growth of plants, the habits of birds, or historical events. The clouds are the white caps of

the hot wave. Kansas is crying for farm hands.

'ears, idle tears. No phonograph music hath charms to soothe the savage car. The Hive of Deseret never looked buiser than it does today. The excessive heat in Gotham is laid to the New York Sun. Catnip tea is an infant industry and as such should be encouraged. There would be no old folks' excursion if Oslerism held sway. Why cannot cats be made to come within the curfew ordinance?

Divorce without alimony is a bigger failure than any marriage can be.

The weather inevitably makes all discussion of the tariff heated.

It is not an edifying sight to see a full actor playing to an empty house. At pleasure resorts wonders never cease; the trouble is they are the same

old wonders. The jury says that Broughton Brandenburg is not guilty. What the jury

says goes. Why doesn't Senator Tillman protect

the tea of South Carolina with his pitchfork? The status of the Elsie Sigel murder case can be summed up in three words: police are investigating.

Pittsburgers feel that they have landed on both feet in ceasing to walk and taking to riding again.

"Does a college education pay?" asks the Spartanburg (S. C.) Journal. If it doesn't pay it certainly costs. One of the best ways to insure a

sane Fourth is to make the duty on firecrackers of all kinds prohibitive. Canada has abandoned the attempt

has been most enjoyable. It is little scenes like these that honor life the most, and put in the hearts of men and women and the boys and girls the nurset reaching and the highest women and the boys and given purest motives and the highest the purposes.



Half a Century Ago. "There's a funny item in this paper bout an Ohio man refusing an offer of fat consulship."

"Where? Let me see it!" "There it is." "Oh, you ninny! Don't you see the headline over that collection of itoms? "Happenings of Fifty Years Ago." Chicago Tribune.

But Why a Gold Crown?

It's very nice for the Italian govern-ment to present Miss Mabel Boardman, of the Red Cross society, with a gold crown, but what on earth can an American girl do with a thing like that?--Chicago Evening Post.

All the Difference,

Among the patients in the various wards of a Philadelphia hospital there was recently a testy old millonaire of that city whose case gave his physician considerable difficulty at first. "Well," asked the crusty patient one morning, "how do you find me now, eh?"

"You're getting on fine," responded the doctor, rubbing his hands with an air of satisfaction. "Your legs are still swollen, but that doesn't trouble me "Of course, it doesn't!" howled the old man. "And jet me tell you this If your legs were swollen, it wouldn't trouble me, either."

The bore stayed later than usual. "I had a queer dream last night," he said. "I dreamed I was sitting by a vawning guif." The pretty girl suddenly put her hand over her pretty mouth. "It must have been nearly mid-night," she said. Then he woke up and took the hint and his hat.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Young Wife—I'd like to have fifty pounds of sugar sent to this address. Salesgirl (in department store)— Yes, ma'am, Flat?" Young Wife-No: I prefer the kind that comes in round sacks.-Chicago Tribune.

The San Francisco graft suspect was on trial as usual. "Do you know that you are committ-ing perjury?" hotly demanded the dis-

trict attorney

"I know that if I am it's none of vour business." replied the witness. T'm paid by the other side." Having paused for this interchange the wheels of justice resumed.--Philadelphia I calgor Philadelphia Ledger.

"What I like about a picnic," he said, removing his coat and waist-coat and tossing them carelessly aside.

"is that it isn't a full dress affair. If there's anything I hate worse than a white vest I don't know what it is." But just then 1,347,963 yellow jack-ets that he had disturbed came at him, buzzing horribly.—Chicago Tribune.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

"Lift Men from the Gutter? Or, Remove the Gutter? Which?" is the in-terrogative title of Ray Stannard Baker's article in the July American Mag-azine. Mr. Baker draws some interest-ing comparisons between the work of the famous McAuley mission and that the famous McAuley mission and that done by Christ church-both in New York City. "The Confession of a Re-bellious Wife" is a remarkable human document which will intensit every married man and woman in this coun-try. Other features in this magazine are: An article by Julian Street enti-tled "Car Coming," a description of how an automobile is made ready for the Vandenbilt cup race: "Votes for Women," by Prof. W. I. Thomas, who believes that universal woman's suf-frage in this country is but a few years distant: "Taft-So Far," by "K," author of "The Powers of a Strenuous President;" and "Buying a Man's Arm," written by the corpora'ion law-yer who made the purchase. Fiction of an unusual quality is contributed by



trans lived, who had seen the power of Jehovah manifested -in the early lays of the nation. But when they and departed, the people went astray. A people needs its veterans. It needs the spirit by which they are animated. It needs that connection with the past, n order that the power of the past may not be cut off, and the present thereby become isolated. The Old Folks, through their experience, their wisdom, tre invaluable-to-the younger generation. They are a blessing. May God pless them, and may they long conlinue to bless those with whom they some in contact, with their presence, their wisdom, their spirit.

LET THE GOOD WORK GO ON.

The supposition is that the infamous institution known as the "stockade" tas been closed so tight that it will not again be opened. The fight upon it, which was first urged by the "News' is soon as the plans were announced, and which this paper has consistently supported all the time, has been won by the people so far, against the plotters in league with corruption. But the battle must go on, until the victory is complete.

The police department of this City has utterely failed to do its duty in the matter. In fact, the place unloubtedly was planned and established with the understanding that it should be operated under police protection. its owners and managers went ahead in spite of public protests and in spite of the courts. The police was inactive and might as well have been dead. But the County took the matter up. The sheriff, listening to public opinion, determined to close the place as soon as evidence could be obtained that it was run in violation of law. He has done his duty, and the place is closed.

The members of the Betterment league who have secured the evidence necessary deserve credit for the cfficient and self-sacrificing work they have done. Theirs has not been a pleasant task. But they have the satisfaction of knowing that their work has not been in vain. They have helped in the removal of a particularly offensivo stumbling block from the public path. They have assisted in the cleaning out of a cesspool of moral corruption. The gratitude of the community is owing to them.

It should not be necessary in a city with a well paid and numerous police force, for private citizens to go out day and night and secure evidence against flagrant law breakers. It is the juty of the police to maintain the law and to arrest offenders. But when the menders have the support of the ofleers, it becomes necessary for the citisens themselves to perform the duties

they will have ample means with which to further the interests of commerce trade, and shipping.

MOVING PICTURE SHOWS

The popularity of the moving picture show in this country is remarkable. The industry is almost in its infancy, but t has taken a firm hold on the public mind. It has been calculated that during 1908 the moving picture shows had a daily total attendance of four million people.

There are, we are told, 7,000 moving picture houses scattered all over the country, and \$50.000,000 has been invested in the shows. Chicago has probably 500 moving picture houses by this time. New York has 300. St. Louis 200, Philadelphia 186, San Francisco 131. Pittsburg 90, and Boston 31. Hundreds of smaller cities and towns have from one to a dozen, and the craze has extended to Mexico, Central and South America, and the Panama Canal Zone. Nearly 1,000,000 feet, or 190 miles, of films are shown every day in the United States. At the average rate of speed fourteen separate pictures pass the eye every second that the machine is in motion, so that every day making of these films is in itself an enormous business. The organization which controls them not only has agents photographing scenes in every part of the world, but maintains theaters and out-of-door establishments, where complete plays and all sorts of other activities are pre sented before the camera.

So popular has this form of amuse ment become that it has seriously interfered with the vaudeville. It is claimed that within the last year about a thousand theaters which formerly made a specialty of vaudeville have abandoned that form of amusement for the moving picture show. And in many other houses the picture has become the chief feature; vaudeville, a secondary consideration.

The fact that moving picture shows have become so popular ought to make it possible for the managers to present only good pictures. There ought to e a weeding out of all that have a tendency to lower the moral tone of the public. The pictures of train robberies, drunkenness, assaults, murders, etc., are bad, because they are demoralizing. It has been said that we are what ve read. Francis Bacon said: "If I ould control the literature of the household, I would guarantee the well-being of the church and state." The boy vho always feasts on the dime novel njures his soul by the poison it contains. His brain becomes rich soil for border desperadoes, Dead Shot Dicks

and more or less noble red men. It has been claimed that reading so

to round up the Pablo herd of buffalo. Why didn't she get Buffalo Bill to do the job for her?

The militant suffragettes have avow ed their determination to bend or break Prime Minister Asquith. Have they wo strings to their bow?

At the Auteuil race for the grand orize, Thomas Hitchcock's Bayonet inished second. He should have thrust himself into first place.

An Illinois railroad president has been made a doctor of laws by his alma mater. That is quite proper, for rallroad presidents have a good deal to say about the making of the laws.

The New York police are throwing a cordon around Paterson, Passaic and other neighboring towns in New Jersey for the purpose of catching Leon Ling.

Senator Aldrich says that he will vote for the corporation tax amendment for the purpose of defeating the income tax amendment. It seems to be a clear case of slimilia similibus curantur.

It is pretty hot these days, but the evenings are, comparatively, cool and the dry air makes the heat endurable. In New York, with a temperature of \$9 and 65 per cent humidity, prostrations and death by sunstroke are frequent. Where the humidity is as low as here, a high temperature is easily endured, because of the rapid evaporation from the skin.



these observations is that there is most dust in the city air early in the morning. This seems to dispose, as far as the city is concerned, of the an-cient theory regarding the purity of morning air. The early riser takes more dust particles into his lungs than the sluggard who leaves his bed just in time for luncheon.

"GOOD OLD GRANDMOTHER."

The Ohio Star Journal, Watching the carriages and autos go by on a gentle afternoon, one cannot help but notice the prominence given to the good old grandmother, whose screne face and gray hair seem a part of the beauty of the day; but what is fairer and sweeter yet is the tender love of son and daughter which makes to row of son and daughter which makes love of son and daughter which makes purposes to make her declining days full of sunshine and the many visible purposes to make her declining days full of sunshine and tender tribute is one of the choicest phases of human nature. She has the best seat in the vehicle, the faces are turned to her mostly, all the beautiful objects are pointed out for her to see, and when the ride is over, if she is happy, it Watching the carriages and autos go



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