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TUESDAY	6,680
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THURSDAY	6,623
FRIDAY	6,613
SATURDAY	7,029
TOTAL	40,242
Daily Average	6,707

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THE PLAYGROUNDS

The St. John Star in its advocacy of public playgrounds has unfortunately taken the ground that public subscriptions are not needed, and that all the school grounds should be thrown open to the children. The school board would not for one moment think of opening the grounds without supervision, which would cost money. The board has no money to spare this year. It has to provide for a much-needed increase in some teachers' salaries, and provide for the introduction of manual training. If we are to have compulsory education more school-room space will be required. The board has heavy burdens for the present and it must also protect the school property. The school grounds are of no value as play grounds unless access is also given to the basement and lavatories of the school building. This would involve the employment of one or more persons for every school ground, and the board could not be expected to foot the bill.

The only playgrounds worth having are those that are properly supervised. Whether there can be more than one this year will depend on the amount of funds contributed. Whatever is done must be done so thoroughly as to be above criticism.

Money must be raised, caretakers and teachers engaged, and materials for games and play provided. The idea is not to turn a mob of children loose in a playground, but to have an orderly, well directed and methodical series of recreations.

Whoever argues that there is no need of public contributions is putting a stumbling block in the way of supplying this great need of the city.

SHOCKING REVELATIONS

The Times presents today a portion of the report of President Roosevelt's commission, which investigated the conditions in the Chicago packing houses, and also the statements of the packers themselves. It is perfectly clear that the latter is another game of bluff. The full and clear statement of the Roosevelt commission, telling what the members saw, and describing the filthy state of the packing houses, their unsanitary condition, the brutality with which employees are treated; and the methods by which all sorts of material are thrown together to make canned products, is so shocking as to arouse the most profound indignation throughout the country. Nothing short of a government inspection that follows the product from the hoof to the can, as President Roosevelt puts it, will satisfy congress or the people of the United States.

PACKING HOUSE INDUSTRY

The revelations in connection with the packing house industry in the United States direct attention to the great magnitude of the business, which, next to iron and steel is the largest American industry, in gross production. The Wall Street Journal points out that in 1900 the packing house products were valued at \$790,262,380 and those of iron and steel industries at \$803,086,273; while in point of net value of products the meat industry was really first, its total output being valued at \$684,119,221 against iron and steel products of the value of \$432,687,119. The following review from the Wall Street Journal sets forth clearly the extent of the operations of the packing houses and the export trade, but it should be added with regard to the latter that large quantities of the products are now exported in winter via the port of St. John. We quote:—

"Meat packing as a large scale industry has migrated westward from time to time to be nearer the source of live stock supply, but Chicago still remains the chief centre of the industry. The comparative importance of this market is seen at a glance from the figures of live stock movement furnished by the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Commerce and Labor. According to this statement nearly 38,000,000 head of cattle, hogs and sheep were received at the six leading packing houses of Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Louis, St. Joseph and St. Paul in 1905. Out of this enormous total Chicago received nearly one-half of the number of animals. Over 700,000 carloads of animals reach these six markets annually, indicating the contribution of the live stock trade to transportation. Chicago alone consumes on the average of between 11,000,000 and 12,000,000 head of stock, of which 2,000,000 are cattle, 6,000,000 hogs and 3,000,000 sheep. The city uses and

consumption at Chicago for the years 1903, 1904 and 1905 are given below:

CITY USE AND CONSUMPTION OF LIVE STOCK AT CHICAGO.	1903	1904	1905
Cattle	2,800,000	2,850,000	2,900,000
Hogs	6,000,000	6,100,000	6,200,000
Sheep	3,200,000	3,250,000	3,300,000

Total . . . 11,432,000 11,500,000 11,570,000

"Another feature of this industry is the stock of meats on hand at any one time in the leading centers. From 100,000,000 to 300,000,000 pounds of meats are kept in storage at any one time during the year at Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Joseph and Milwaukee. At the close of last year Chicago alone had nearly 100,000,000 pounds of meats on hand. It is from this supply mainly that the constant stream of provision shipments, over the trunk line railroads to the seaboard for domestic consumption in the east and for export, moves at the rate of 28,000 tons a week. This traffic in provisions, which are chiefly products of the meat packing houses, amounts in the course of a year to nearly a million and a half tons of freight.

"For the ten months ending with April, the United States exported provisions valued at \$101,000,000. The principal articles of provisions are beef products, hog products, oleomargarine and dairy products. Beef products comprised about \$28,000,000 of this total, hog products about \$100,000,000, oleomargarine \$15,000,000, and dairy products something more than \$5,000,000. New York and Boston are chiefly interested in the export of beef products as trade centres. Bacon goes largely by way of these two ports, as well as through Portland, Me., and is handled more largely through New Orleans than any other port except New York. Fresh, salted or pickled pork moves most largely through Boston. Dairy products are, principally shipped through New York.

"The total of provisions exported, including both live stock and meat products, amounted to \$104,000,000 in the latest ten months, of which \$33,000,000 in value comprised the live animals exported. In the export trade, New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Portland and Galveston represent the ports which have over \$1,000,000 of trade during these ten months. The total provision trade is about half as large as the cotton exports."

The Ottawa Citizen has this to say on the subject of municipal lighting:—"Kingston is so satisfied with the money it is making out of its electric lighting venture that the people have voted \$85,000 more to invest in the business. This is to be used in extending the plant. Ottawa will have to have an additional sum for the same purpose and it was to supply it that application was made to the provincial government for permission to use \$50,000 of debentures, the issue of which had been authorized a year or two ago for the purpose of securing electric power. By the action of Mr. Carleton, M. P., chairman of the private bills committee, the application was refused. It is likely that a by-law similar to the one just voted on in Kingston will be submitted to the people in January next."

A gentleman who takes his children to the country for the summer told the Times this morning that he did not think public playgrounds were as much needed in St. John as in large American cities. The question is one of proportion. St. John does not need as many playgrounds. It is the difference. A city that can produce tanyard gangs has need of supervised playgrounds.

THE LATE MICHAEL DAVITT

During the last forty years Michael Davitt has been one of the most conspicuous figures, in parliament and out of it, among the most active fighters for the political freedom of Ireland. No less than three times his zeal brought him within prison bars. Mr. Davitt was a speaker of great ability. He had a copious vocabulary, a logical mind, and intense convictions. He could be at once persuasive and convincing, and when he was aroused his oratory was full of fire and sting. His pen was almost as effective as his tongue, and was constantly employed. Apart from volumes already mentioned he published 'Life and Progress in Australia,' 'The Boer Fight for Freedom,' 'Within the Pale,' 'The Fall of Feudalism in Ireland,' etc. He was the author also of an immense mass of correspondence from all parts of the globe, for he was an insatiable traveller. In the course of his active life he visited the United States, Australia, Canada, Egypt, Palestine, France, Italy, Switzerland, and South Africa. For many years Mr. Davitt has enjoyed the esteem and friendship of many prominent men, of all political parties, in English life. An English paper recently said of him:—"Mr. Davitt does not belong to any ordinary type of Irish Nationalist. He is more of a philosopher and a theorist, less conventional and provincial than most of his colleagues. It is a wonderful thing, which may well make us comfortable classes ashamed of themselves, that a man kept for years in what the lord chief justice of England has called a state of slavery, should have employed the years of his punishment and seclusion, not in indulging bitterness and planning vengeance, but in thinking out schemes for the use and benefit of his fellow countrymen." His death will leave one of the vacancies which it is difficult to fill.

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THE SONG OF THE THRUSH

Ah! the May was grand this morn'g! Shure, how could I feel forlorn in Such a land, when tree and flower tossed their kisses to the breeze? Could an Irish heart be quiet While the spring was running riot? An' the birds of free America were singing In the trees.

In the songs that they were singing No familiar note was missing. But I strove to imitate them an' I whistled like a mad. Of my heart was warm to love them For the cooing songs that they helped me to forget—an' I was glad. So I mocked the feathered choir To my hungry heart's desire. An' I gloried in the comradeship that made their joy my own. Till a new note sounded, stilling All the rest. A thrush was thrilling! Ah! the thrush I left behind me in the fields about Ashlon! Where, upon the whitethorn awaying, He was minstrel of the Maying. In my days of love an' laughter that the years have laid at rest; He was again his notes were ringing! But I'd lost the heart for singing— Ah! the thrush I could not answer was the one I knew the best. —T. A. Daly in the Catholic Standard and Times.

IN LIGHTER VEIN

DID SHE MEAN IT? Husband—Well, I hear old Goldman is dead, and leaves a quarter of a million. Wouldn't you like to be his widow? Wife—No, dear. Nothing could possibly delight me more than just to be yours.—Judy.

THE EXTRA GUEST.

Moses—See here, Samuel, I didn't invite your friend. Why did you bring him along? Samuel—Excuse me, Moses, but he boards with me. . . .

PREPARING FOR THE SUMMER.

Patrice—Is Will getting ready for summer? Patrice—Oh, yes; he's broken off his engagement with the winter girl!

WORTH STUDYING.

Rubbe—Why in the world did that entomologist take so much interest in the wedding? Dede—No wonder. A beetle-browed man married a wasp-waisted girl.—Chicago News.

AN HONEST MAN.

Banks—Are you crazy, man? Why on earth are you asking for a straw with your highball? Banks—Because I've just promised my wife that I'll drink again put a whiskey glass to my lips. . . .

MYSTERIES OF LANGUAGE.

"These Americans are frauds. I noticed a big sign on a building in New York which said: 'This house will move on Wednesday next to 320 Broadway.' All that day and all night I watched that building, and it never moved an inch."

LIBERALITY.

Dentist (to workman who has just saved him from drowning)—My dear man, how can I express my gratitude? Come to my office any time, and I'll pull every tooth in your head for nothing.

HAVING A PROFESSION.

"Pa, what's the difference between a trade and a profession?" "In these days it amounts to about this: The man who has a trade may get his wages raised once in a while, so that he is at least partly compensated for the many advances in price. The man who has a profession must try to get along on the 'am' income he had when things cost about half as much as they do at present. Run along to school now, Willie, and let yourself to adorn one of the higher planes of society."

EXCEPTIONALLY GIFTED.

Miss Wellon—The trouble is that most women are cowards. I'm not afraid to go out alone anywhere. I always carry something sharp on my person. If I see a man who looks like a villain, I know it, dear; but it isn't everybody that has an elbow like yours. . . .

REFLECTIONS OF A BACHELOR.

A girl can be a great deal of help to a woman if it isn't her own mother. When a man knows how to earn his living it's a sign he doesn't try to write poetry. A girl will never believe you love her if you tell her so in plain, sane language. If women could vote you would never get them to elect a curly-headed one to anything. If a man were the absence of clothes above his waist a woman does in summer, he would be arrested.

RESCUING THE CHILDREN

(Ottawa Journal.) The Children's Aid Society of Ottawa proposes to adopt the system of supervision which has been used with such good effect in Philadelphia. W. L. Scott, who has personally investigated the working of the system and thinks very highly of it, addressed the members yesterday on the subject. The plan, in brief, is that instead of sending children who are brought before the magistrate as incorrigible to the industrial school or reformatory, they will be paroled, and an officer of the society will be appointed to monitor into the case thoroughly and endeavor to have the influences removed which tend to inculcate bad habits. In many cases the home influence or lack of some training or proper supervision are responsible for the youngster's precocious badness, and an effort will be made by tactful suggestion and, if necessary, the exercise of authority to remove harmful influences and substitute salutary restraint. Of course the success of such supervision will depend to a large extent upon the tactful manner in which it is exercised, and the society will no doubt make a very careful selection of an agent for such a delicate duty. The success of the new system will mean a great deal both in reforming children without resorting to the aids of sentencing them to confinement in a reformatory, and also in financial ease to the municipalities which, under the existing methods have to pay for the maintenance of incorrigibles in the industrial school.

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