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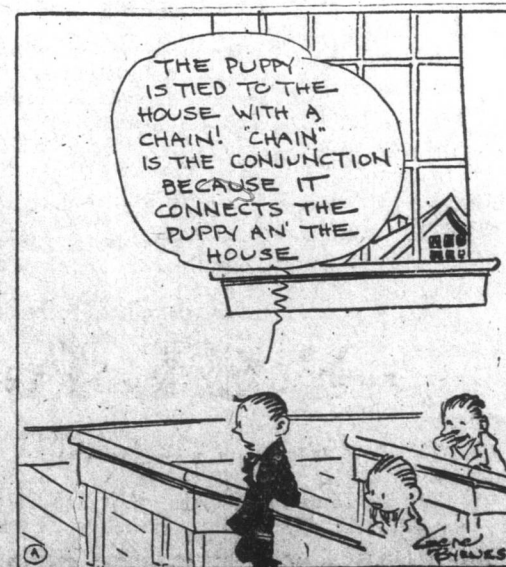
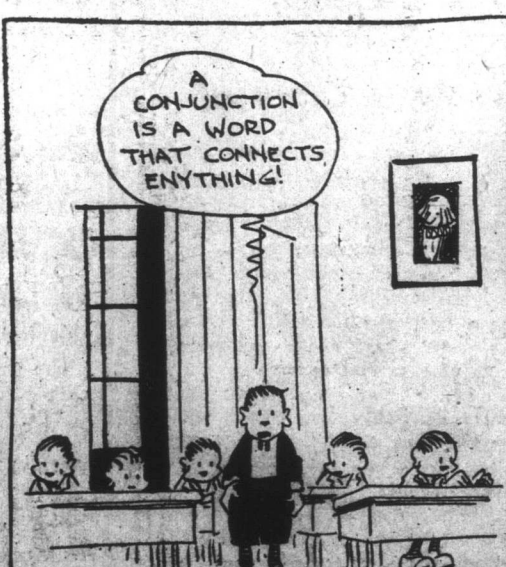
The regular monthly meeting was held in the Board of Trade Building. The newly-elected President in the chair, and Secretary McCarter with a larger attendance than the average. The members decided to hold their final local egg laying contest for an experiment managed by Vice-President Arch C. Tait, and Messrs. J. F. Calver and John Duff. The contest will be only for three months, beginning March 1st. Members have entered about 12 pens of fowls and will care for them in their own yards reporting to the Committee each month. At the end of three months the number of eggs laid and the breeds will be published. The Association expects poultry men all over the island will watch this with interest and incidentally make records of their own laying birds to compare results. The annual dinner takes place Thursday week, February 23 at West End Candy Store, and each member will be allowed to bring one guest. The dinner is in the hands of Messrs. W. D. McCarter, Conventor, and Vice-President Arch C. Tait, Shields, Judge's Stanley White, and Lynch to finalise arrangements. Mr. A. J. Bayly addressed the meeting and reported on the lecture at Kellogg's some time ago. As a result two residents there have built model poultry houses and are going to breed pure stock this year. The prize offered for essays were won by Lilly Butler and Thomas Lambwood equal, and Roy Fowler (2nd), all of Codrington School, Kellogg's. The Association hopes to purchase a lantern to illustrate future lectures and visit some of the nearby outposts during the year. The matter of the model poultry house plant submitted by Architect McCarter and the finalizing of arrangements for distributing hatching eggs owing to want of time was left over until next meeting.

The Siege of Kimberley.

The 15th of February, 1900, saw the relief of Kimberley, which had been besieged by the Boers for four months. On Oct. 15, 1899, the inhabitants were warned by the sirens of the mines, that the Boers were about to attack, so the garrison lay ready in their entrenchments, but the enemy contented themselves with driving off cattle and ravaging the town. The garrison was commanded by Colonel Kekewich, who had about 4,000 men under him, of whom only 700 were regulars, the remainder being miners, workmen and other civilians. On Nov. 4 the Boer Commandant Wessels summoned the town to surrender, but was refused, so he bombarded the town with 9 pounder guns, but quite ineffectively. The shortage of food was more serious and the inhabitants were put on rations. Later in November the garrison made two sorties, one of which was successful and one disastrous. On Nov. 22 Lord Methuen with 3,000 men, set out from Orange River, 60 miles away, for their relief and after fighting battles at Belmont, Emslin and the Modder River, he met with a severe reverse at Magersfontein and was unable to advance any further. The Kimberley garrison heard the British guns and after a gleam of hope settled down again to wait. In January they made a rifled cannon in the De Beers workshops which did considerable execution on the enemy. The Boers then brought up a large gun, which threw a 96lb. shell four miles, and on Feb. 7 they bombarded the town with it. As no house was safe from its shells the women and children were placed in the mines. Meanwhile Lord Roberts had been making plans for their relief, and when all was ready he sent a large British force in another direction in order to divert the enemy's attention. General (afterwards Lord) French, with the main British force, then advanced 100 miles in three days under a blazing sun, during which many men and horses fell and died, but still the army pushed on. The Boers offered no great resistance and were swept aside, and on the night of Feb. 15 General French and his staff entered Kimberley. The Boers got their big gun away, as the British were too exhausted to pursue. Great praise is due to Colonel (afterwards Major-General) Kekewich and his men for their successful defence of an open town for such a long time.

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Ralph Stock, in his book, "Crime

of the Dream Ship," while admitting that he is no scientist, points out many facts that support this theory. There is, for example, a wall on Easter Island, not unlike the great wall of China, but which runs for a short distance and then plunges aimlessly into the sea. Where did it begin? Where did it end? What mighty city did it embrace? On Pitcairn there are the remains of a former and highly advanced civilization. On Lord Howe Island, a mere rock sprouting three thousand feet out of the sea, four hundred and eighty miles from the Australian coast, there are sixty different species of land shell, fifty per cent. of which are not

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Curious "looped" armholes are featured among the smartest capes. They are usually edged with chenille dots, loops or buttons. A frock of black Spanish lace has its voluminous slashed lace sleeves caught at the wrist. Jet and monkey fur serve as trimming.

The fur cape made of soft pelts has its fullness gathered in a yoke effect, from where it falls in graceful lines to the hem of skirt.

A frock of black Canton crepe has hem and yoke at neck edged with scallops and is girdled at a low waist line with metal and green beads.

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