ILLINOIS NEWS

Choice items from over the state, specially selected for our readers

HOW TO DEAL WITH SERVANTS

Women Lay Down Rules on How to Improve Home Conditions.

The Chicago Woman's club, after a lengthy discussion, laid down the following as seven cold rules to deal ing with the servant girl problem. Answers were read from many sources as to how home life could be improved, and this is the net result as to dealing with servants:

Recognize that they are working at a trade.

Pay the experts by the hour.

Let them have a share in the family life.

Clearly define their duties. Don't order suppers after the hired girl has knocked off for the day.

Give her the best labor-saving inventions.

Cut out the talk about social superiority and recognize Mary Ann as a human being belonging to the same sisterhood.

Teach ignorant mistresses that caprice doesn't go with the women who sell their time for specific duties.

The heroism of wives whose husbands only get $9 a week was portrayed by Mrs. Ethelbert Stewart at the conference on "Woman in Modern Industrialism."

Mrs. Stewart told of women who scrubbed in the downtown office buildings till after midnight, in order to eke out the little income and rear families. Chicago, according to the speaker, has many such heroines, but their courage is greater than that of the warrior.

UP-TO-DATE TOWNSHIP PRIMARY

Telephone Overcomes Miserable Condition of the County Roads.

The Democrats of Wilson township held a novel primary meeting. The meeting place was to be at the town of Elwin, but the roads were in a miserable condition, travel being almost impossible. It was necessary to hold the meeting so that delegates could be sent to the county convention at Decatur. The telephone saved the day. It was brought into use and the central exchange was directed to connect up with a dozen Democratic homes. It worked like a charm. A chairman and secretary were chosen, several ballots were taken, delegates were selected and instructed and the meeting adjourned. The time consumed was about ten minutes.

Capture Jail Breakers.

Napoleon Hickson and Bert Ambers, who escaped from the Alexander county jail at Cairo, returned and gave themselves up. They said they had no intention of running away but only wanted to go to Thebes to look after some business matters. Hickson and Ambers, in company with Charles C. Skaggs and Albert Wheatley, broke out by digging their way through the jail. All are white, except Wheatley. Hickson was in jail on a charge of being in the lynching of a negro at Thebes a year ago. The other two men are still at large but the last heard of them they were at Jackson, Tenn.

Union Revival Meetings.

Representatives of all the evangelical churches in Springfield have held meetings and arranged for a monster united revival to be held commencing May 1, under the direction of Mrs. W. E. Biederwolf and W. A. Walton, with Prof. Maxwell as soloist and choir conductor. The executive committee named is as follows: F. H. Littlefield, W. E. Edmunds, Rev. O. S. Cady, William Scherrebeck, Rev. H. Coleman, Revs. J. E. Lynn, J. E. Rogers, Joseph B. Rogers, W. H. McElroy, E. H. Sehney and Frank Kuhl, H. E. Barker, G. I. Colby, John F. Hendons and W. J. Horn. Pres. Louis Ehrlich has secured to form a chorus of 100 voices for the occasion.

Quincy V. M. C. A.

At the annual meeting of the Young Men's Christian association of Quincy the report of the treasurer showed that the receipts for the past year were $3,75.19; disbursements, $3,828.62. When all collections shall have been made and bills paid, there will be a net balance in the treasury of $524.37. Rev. Parker Shields conducted a special service at the meeting which was followed by musical and literary exercises. The ladies aid society of the organization served a sumptuous supper, which was attended by 125 guests.

Change in Freight Center.

It is announced in railroad circles that the freight runs on the Illinois Central between Centralia and Duquoin and Mounds and Duquoin are to be run through from Centralia to Mounds without change. This will necessitate the removal of a number of railroad families from Duquoin to this city.

Greater Virginia.

The Virginia city council has passed an ordinance annexing to the city of Virginia that part of Beer's Chapel Hill addition now outside the corporate limits. The territory includes two houses belonging to Beer's Chapel, with their grounds, and the Daniel Mitchell, Miles Kendall and E. B. Cogover residences.

Accepts Call From Texas.

Rev. C. W. Wistes, who resigned the pastorate of the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Salem to accept a call to the church at Lebanon, Ohio, has given up the charge there to accept a call to the church at Ballinger, Tex.

Train Kills Old Resident.

James Sowlers, an old resident of Dewitt county, was run over and killed by a train on the Illinois Central railroad at Marcia.

More Girls Than Boys.

For three months, ending last April 31, there were 168 births in Jefferson county, eighty-nine being girls and seventy-nine boys.

Horses Perish in Fire.

A barn belonging to James Dougherty of Quincy was destroyed by fire. Two valuable horses perished in the flames.

Well-Known Grocer Dies.

E. S. Gard, who died at his home in Springfield, aged 58, was one of the best known grocers in central Illinois.

Veteran is Hurt.

Huston Mayberry, a veteran of the civil war, aged 70, was severely hurt by being struck by a street car in Upper Alton while walking on the track. He was moved to St. Joseph's hospital.

Has His Skull Fractured.

Thomas Duffy, a member of the steel gang which has been working on the Big Four-Prisco cut-off near Hillsboro, was found lying near the Big Four track with his skull fractured.

WANT A SINGLE BUTTER SHOW.

Women's Society Seeks Affiliation With Dairymen's Association.

The Illinois Dairymen's Association, which held its regular meeting in Lincoln, elected the following officers: President, Mrs. L. P. Pearance of Lincoln; vice president, Mrs. Harriet Pumpelly of Atlanta; secretary, Mrs. Josephine Bruce of Springfield; executive committee, Mrs. Lafayette Funk of Shirley, Mrs. Douglass Frempson of Heyworth, Mrs. Rapheal Rosenthal of Lincoln and Mrs. Martha Duval of Springfield. It was unanimously voted to ask the Illinois Dairymen's association to allow the butter-makers to be affiliated with it. If the request is granted one state exhibition will be held for both organizations.

DIES BECAUSE OF AFFLICTION

Brother Kills Himself When Sister's Reason is Dethroned.

Louis Morris, a young man residing near Steelville, committed suicide by shooting himself. His sister, Miss Sophronia Morris, died at Rolla to have been examined for insanity at the family home later in the day. He became despondent because of his sister's misfortune and ended his life. While the insanity inquisition was in progress the body of a young man was brought home. Miss Morris had declared insane and at once taken to the asylum at Rolla. Miss Anna.

Pays Up Old Debts.

Henry Burmeister, formerly a farmer of near New Memphis, Clinton county, who made a fortune in speculation, has been heard from by a number of his Belleville creditors, to whom he has long indebted since his disappearance, over twenty years ago. A Belleville attorney received a letter from the man with which to pay Burmeister's Belleville creditors, with interest. Burmeister had taken up some land in Colorado, homesteaded it, made it productive and buried himself in the mountains. He has not been heard from since. After leaving New Memphis, Mr. Burmeister went to Kansas, where he made another fortune.

Novel Commencement.

The eighth of the Illinois school in Grand Prairie township was quite novel. The pupils and parents, all of them are well to do farmers, met at the schoolhouse on the closing day, served a long table in the grove and served a feast to all comers, and several hundred pupils, parents and visitors partook of the bountiful repast. A literary program was given by the pupils and a fine cary chair was presented to Morris Fisher, the retiring teacher.

Dispute Government Figures.

Citizens of East St. Louis, claiming to base their estimates on the census returns and on the voting population, contend that the figures given out by the census bureau of Washington, which place the city of East St. Louis to be 10 per cent since the United States census of 1900 are far too low. The census shows that the real growth of the city has been fully 25 per cent yearly for the past three years.

Money in Town Treasury.

The annual report of Supervisor George Siachetka of Bolo township is as follows: Amount received, $718.32; amount in balance in treasury, $327.17; Benjamin Kahle, treasurer; amount paid commissioners of highways of Oakdale, reports the following: Receipts, $1,166.04; expenditures, $524.60; balance on hand, $641.47.

Goes to Anna Asylum.

Mrs. Susan Worcester, wife of Merritt Worcester of Raccoon township, was adjudged insane in the county court and ordered taken to the Anna hospital for treatment.

Joint Church Concert.

A concert by the choirs of the Congregational churches of Mascoutine and Centralia will be given in the Evangelical church in Nashville Thursday, May 12.

Rebekahs to Meet.

The sixth annual meeting of the Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F. of the district will be held at Red Men's hall, Edwardsville, April 29 and 30.

Receives Fatal Injury.

Andrew Pontarelli, a farmer living east of Edwardsville, fell from a load of straw, alighting on his head and producing concussion of the brain.

Case County Farmers.

The case of the Case county farmers' institute have been fixed. It will be held at Ashland on Oct. 19, 20 and 21.

Sues for Husband's Death.

Louisa Sauerwein, widow of Martin V. Sanders, who was killed by an electric wire, has brought suit for $10,000 damages against the Decatur railway and light company and the Central Union telephone company.

Rainfall at Nashville.

W. C. Spencer, the Nashville weather forecaster, reports that the rainfall during the month of March was 8.25 inches. In the same month last year the precipitation was only 2.80 inches.

ENACTING LAWS FOR THE NATION

Review of the Legislation Before Both Houses of Congress.

OUTLINE OF DAILY ROUTINE

Special Correspondents Tell of the Business Transacted by Senators and Representatives in Session at the Capital.

Friday, April 8.

The contracts for the canceling machines in the postoffice department were debated at length in the senate, the discussion being in relation to Lodge's amendment by Mr. Culberson limiting the terms of the contracts. The amendment was defeated. The consideration of the bill occupied the remainder of the day. Minutes were devoted to a discussion by Mr. Lodge of the Panama canal question, which he insisted should be left exclusively law would be ineffective after Congress adjourns there is no authority.

The house passed the Philippine ship-ping bill, the only amendment being to extend the time when the law shall become operative until July 1, 1906. The bill appropriating $75,000 to aid of the Jamestown exposition, which is to celebrate the landing at Portland, Ore., was passed without discussion. The house then took up the following bills: Denying to Illinois and Kansas the granting to the state of Oklahoma of the Chickasaw and Choctaw lands and embracing the Kickapoo Indian battlefield and burial ground; cedi-ng 120 acres of land in Conejos county, Colorado, to the Sleecher Island Battle Memorial association. The Alaskan boundary bill was discussed without action. Mr. Hepburn introduced a resolution requesting the secretary of the treasury to inform the house of the cost of the Panama canal, which was adopted and spoiled for retirement of national bank notes

from September, 1903, to March, 1904, inclusive, which was adopted without debate.

Saturday, April 9.

In the senate Mr. Foraker replied to the Democratic strictures on the conduct of the insular department. He denied the course of the posts-master general and charged that the effort on his part in the recent debate was made to secure a congressional inquiry was in the interests of party politics. He also defended the president against attacks. He suggested that the Democratic party favored had inserted provisions that had not been agreed upon by either house. The bill for the aid of the Portland, Oregon, exposition was passed, as was the Philippine shipping bill. Mr. Cullom introduced a bill permitting the commissioner of the consulate who have been prevented from entering their posts by reason of the war in the far East. A bill was introduced by Mr. Lodge increasing the salary of the consul at Bangkok to $5,000.

In the house Mr. Cockran spoke on the resolution directing an inquiry by the judiciary committee as to whether there was authority to be in for the recent executive order relating to pensions for age disability. The committee of rules had reported a rule providing the resolution to lie on the table. Mr. Cockran's remarks were the first since his entry into the Fifty-eighth congress. He said the resolution was offered solely to vindicate the dignity of the house, and charged that the committee had usurped the powers of the legislative, executive and judicial branches of government. Mr. Dalzell and Grosvenor replied. The resolution was laid on the table by a vote of yeas and nay votes of 102 to 139.

Sunday, April 10.

Memorial services were held in the hall of the house of representatives for the late Representatives Dalzell and Clark of Pennsylvania. In addition to memorial addresses of the deceased a large number of Pennsylvanians occupied seats in the auditorium. Each of the speakers paid touching tributes to the two departed members, some referring into the realm of politics in demonstrations that Messrs. Dalzell and Clark had built up vast businesses and acquired great wealth through the protective tariff system. Mr. Adams of Pennsylvania said that, previous to the election of Mr. Burk, his district, which was the old Stoneel J. Randall district, for ages had been misrepresented in congress and had been a blot on the city of Philadelphia, because it did not represent the sentiment of the people or the doctrine on which its vast manufacturing interests depended for success. He declared, however, that the district had been redeemed. Mr. Burk came from Democratic control forever.

Monday, April 11.

The Cu. ieron amendment to the postoffice appropriation bill, providing for a commission to investigate the postoffice department, was debated for the entire day, and in a modified form was pending when the house could adjourn. Mr. Grosvenor made an earnest plea for an investigation, declaring that the Democrats had charged the postoffice department with nothing, and declared that if any specific charge had been made, it was time to look into it by congress. Semi-political speeches were made by Lassiter, Lamb and Simmons. The conference report and the bill for the relief of the Kickapoo Indians in the Indian territory, on the Mexican frontier. The invitation for the senate to attend the opening of the Louisiana purchase exposition April 30, was laid before the senate by Mr. Patterson, pending an amendment to the sundry civil bill for the payment of the expenses of attendance of the Chinese exhibition act. Mr. McComas offered a resolution for the appointment of a committee to inquire into the cost of the Panama canal zone in order to extend the shipping laws of the United States to be business between the United States and the canal zone.

The house passed the bill reported by the committee on public buildings and grounds for the appropriation of $100,000 for the restoration of the Jefferson Davis home in Mississippi, by a vote of 127 to 17. Mr. Jarvis, chairman of the committee, will introduce a resolution of setting principles with regard to river and harbor work. Other bills were passed as follows: To repeal the unlimited transfer of merchandise in bond, to authorize the secretary of the Lou-is exposition act so as to admit free of duty exhibits intended for the exposition, which has been extended; to prohibit the sale or withdrawal of such imported goods; to provide for condemning lands on the grounds subject to the payment of the owners, and also authorizing the sale where the articles have become worn or damaged by use, the duty to be paid on the basis on the value of the articles at the time of the importation; to provide for the North Dakota exposition, to be held on the opening of the exposition at St. Louis on April 30 has reached the senate.

Tuesday, April 12.

A sharp controversy took place in the senate between Messrs. Hopkins and Tillman, on Hopkins took exception to the reading of a letter written by the late Gen. H. H. Thomas of Chicago, commander the civil service administration of the treasury department, and made remarks that Mr. Teller took as insults. The postoffice appropriation bill was taken up. The amendments offered by the Democrats were rejected, including the one for an investigation of the department offered by Mr. Cameron and the one by Mr. Teller. The conference report on the Kickapoo Indian bill was adopted. Mr. The Kittredge bill to provide for the temporary government of the Philippines was taken up and Mr. Kittredge indicated that the committee on insular affairs would report a bill authorizing the issuance of bonds in aid of the civil government, from the proceeds on finance, and that provision was incorporated in the bill. Mr. Kittredge made his bill introduced on the last inst. as a substitute for the house bill. The house spent the entire day and after passing a bill for the relief of the Kickapoo Indians, passed a bill for the Indian battles of New Ulm and Fort Ridgely, Minn., in 1862 and 1863 respectively. The race question again was injected into the proceedings when Mr. Lamb of Scott of Kansas delivered a long address in which he charged that the Republicans of Kansas discharged a Democratic letter carrier the boast of C. H. J. Taylor, the negro politician that he had secured the appointment Cleveland, Mr. Williams of Mississippi defended the action of the author toward the negro and accused the Republicans of seeking to embarrass the president. During the discussion Mr. Burkett of Nebraska, Mr. Lamb of Kansas and Mr. Williams of Mississippi, discussed the presidency. Bills were passed ratifying the action of the Illinois legislature granting an electric light franchise for the island of Rock and a gas franchise in Honolulu. The Alaskan delegate bill was given further consideration. The house passed the bill commissioning retiring the lieutenant colonel of the marines, and the bill for the relief of the minority members of the committee. A resolution was passed requesting the secretary of the treasury to furnish information to the house relative to the cost of the Panama canal zone in order to extend the shipping laws of the United States to business between the United States and the canal zone.

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MONEY EASIER AT LOW RATES

Trade Conditions Are Steady, with More Activity in Outdoor Work.

SEASONABLE WEATHER HELPS

Good Buying of Spring Apparel and Footwear With Country Merchants Less Conservative in Their Selections Than Earlier in the Season.

Chicago special: Dun's Review of Chicago Trade says

"While some business defaults were more numerous, these had no special significance. More favorable indications appeared in the growing ease and use of money, as reflected by cheaper borrowing rates and heavier exchanges.

"Trade conditions have exhibited steadiness and some extension of activity induced by the opportunity presented to advance outdoor work. Prices of leading manufactured products remained firm, but values of farm products declined on ample supplies and improved seeding and crop prospects. Deliveries throughout the West were made promptly, showing a cessation of railroad congestion, but there was a lessened marketing of crops due to the bad state of country roads.

Work on the Farms.

"Advices were favorable as to the progress of farm work, the growth of winter wheat, and, while the movement of farm products continued much smaller than early last month, the aggregate volume of freight traffic is heavier than normal. Mail order houses received a wider demand from many outside points, and retail dealers made a good showing.

"The more seasonable weather encouraged good buying of spring apparel and footwear. Jobbers have found the outside merchants less conservative in their selections than a short time ago, and have been receiving orders for goods, clothing, millinery and other specialties for prompt shipment show that many needed goods were withheld longer than usual. Orders for seasonable distribution, such as shoes, silks, woolens and groceries, report transactions reaching a fair average.

Iron and Steel.

"Business in iron and steel and factory products has been greatly increased by enlarged demand and firmer prices, the placing of orders for rails improved, and there was a good absorption of pig iron, bars and all structural requirements. Commitments for cars and motive power were an encouraging symptom. There has been no diminution of activity in wire and nails. Hardware distribution was increased for the interior, and also for the Pacific coast.

"Receipts of lumber were 8 per cent over those a year ago, and shortage is apparent in yard stocks, desirable hard woods being scarce and dear.

"Receipts of hides were 2,180,000 pounds, against 2,330,732 pounds the previous week and 1,092,300 pounds a year ago. Sales reached a satisfactory volume, without change in quotations. Dealings in leather were slightly restricted, workers taking a fair share of supplementary orders and considerable output of shoes, harness and trunks.

Grain and Provisions.

"Grain shipments, 2,397,052 bushels, are slightly over one-half under those of a year ago. The demand for breadstuffs ruled very light, and the closing prices of the previous week were not sustained. Corn fell 2¾ cents a bushel, oats 2¾ cents and wheat five eighths cent. Provisions were also weak, pork declining 35 cents a barrel, lard 22½ cents and ribs 20 cents. Receipts of hogs at stock were 279,200 head, compared with 205,600 head a year ago. Heavy sheep gained 86 cents on a hundredweight, and reached the highest price this year. Heavy hogs fell 10 cents, and choice cattle declined 5 cents.

"Failures in the Chicago district number 18, against 18 last week, twenty-two the previous week and twenty-two a year ago."

ARREST THE POLICE OFFICIALS.

Prominent Men Are Accused of Conspiracy at Sault Ste. Marie.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., dispatch: Former Chief of Police Nelson A. Burdick, former Police Captain Frank Stevens and Frank Chapel have been arrested on indictments found by the grand jury charging them with conspiracy in connection with the recent resignation of the police department. It is alleged that they had accepted money from gamblers and other violators of the law, and that the police officials left the service as a result of an investigation by the police commissioners.

DEED OF MADDENED MOTHER.

Places Her Child on Hot Stove and Cuts Off Its Hand.

Oil City, Pa., dispatch: Mrs. Luke Gough, 27 years old, became insane on religion, but was not placed under restraint. Obeying what she conceived to be a divine command, she placed her daughter Harriet, 8 months old, on top of a hot gas stove and cut the right hand of her child off at the wrist with a butcher knife, using the mutilated victim may recover. Mrs. Gough is a member of the sect known as the "Holy Roller."

Ex-Congressman is Fined.

Cripple Creek, Colo., special: District Judge Lewis has sentenced John M. Glover, a former congressman from Missouri, to pay a fine for assaulting Sergeant Dittemore of the Colorado National Guard.

Pass No. 1 for Roosevelt.

St. Louis dispatch: Pass No. 1 to the world's fair has been issued in the name of Theodore Roosevelt, president of the United States. It will be issued to the president next week.

SAILOR MEN ARE DISSATISFIED

Manufacturers' Association May Disband When Agreement Expires.

Washington, Wis., dispatch: At conferences of the paper manufacturers of the Fox river valley held here, it is said that the sentiment was strongly indicated that there is much dissatisfaction in the ranks of the General Paper Makers' union. It is said that when the contract among the members expires June 1 a disruption is among the possibilities.