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PROF. COOLIDGE, 48 TO-DAY, IS AN ITINERANT EDUCATOR

Prof. Archibald Cary Coolidge, the distinguished historian and Harvard's itinerant ambassador, first breathed the classic atmosphere of Boston forty-eight years ago to-day.

In his youth Prof. Coolidge imbibed from the founts of learning in many lands. He graduated from Harvard, with the degree of A. B., in 1887, and then went to Germany, where he spent a year at the University of Berlin.

In the meantime Prof. Coolidge had essayed a diplomatic career by serving as acting secretary of the American legation at St. Petersburg during the winter of 1890-1891.

Prof. Coolidge began his educational career at his alma mater in 1893 as an instructor in history. In 1899 he was made an assistant professor, and in 1905 and 1906 he toured the Orient with the Taft party.

Dr. Coolidge was recently the guest of honor at a dinner in Berlin, and was eulogized by Prof. Paul Shorey, the German exchange professor of the University of Chicago.

Scotland's premier peer, the thirteenth Duke of Hamilton, was born fifty-two years ago to-day, and has held the title for nearly twenty years. The family history of the Duke began with the Sir James Douglas who fought with Robert Bruce, and whose brother was regent of Scotland and fell at Halidon Hill in 1333.

BIRTHDAY OF DU MAURIER, AUTHOR OF BEST JOKE.

Since the days of Adam and Eve, or the first man-monkey to become a monkey-man, there have been professional and amateur jokemiths, and they have helped much to make life worth living.

It was while he was a member of the staff of Punch that Du Maurier drew the caricature which represented a porter staggering along under the weight of a grandfather's clock of enormous size.

All England laughed at that joke when it appeared in Punch's classic columns, and America, for once not scoffing at the English brand of humor, joined in the guffaws of merriment.

Du Maurier first went to England to study chemistry, but he soon fell out with that science, and returned to his native Paris to study art.

Turning from art to literature, he achieved even greater fame as a writer than he had as an illustrator. In 1881 he published "Peter Ibbetson," which was fairly successful. Then, twenty years ago, "Trilby" was published on both sides of the Atlantic.

In 1896 Du Maurier published "The Martian," and in October of that year he died. The "Trilby" craze has long since died out, and the rising generation knows little of "Trilby," and only wonders why a former generation should have been so madly, wildly excited about that delightful heroine.

Mr. Thornton, who has been hired to run the Great Eastern Railroad in England, will have to arrange a few smashups if they want American methods introduced.

The late senator from Georgia had the resounding name of Augustus Octavius Bacon, but it was probably a long time before the common people stopped calling him "Gus."

The correct way to educate the public up to the career, achievements, and services of George Washington is to give a bridge party with favors cut out of red paper in the shape of hatchets.

The World Needs Justice From The Living More Than It Requires Benevolence From The Dead

JOHN ROCKEFELLER'S pastor is credited with having said: "Mr. Rockefeller is devoting more thought about how to spend what he has to benefit his fellow men, than he formerly devoted to accumulating what he has."

There is no reason why this statement should not be accepted at its face value. Mr. Rockefeller is a very old man. In the course of events he will pass on. It is currently believed that to this unknown country he can take neither land, nor gold nor bonds.

If now he considers the source of his great piles of wealth, and sees in them some prospect of establishing a firmer peace with heaven, the frame of mind is not novel, but common. It is not new, but old as history.

Who has not read of the laws of mortmain which, in one form or another, European nations, at sometime in their history, were obliged to pass. The accumulations of property donated by trembling barons to benevolent uses became so cumbersome and so threatening, during the middle ages that the law was obliged, from time to time, to cut off such gifts.

The best thing a man can do to benefit his fellow men, is to deal justly with them while he lives. Gifts are not justice. They are seldom even useful in benefiting those to whom they are given.

The power of a man is greatest while he is alive. During his lifetime he may set on foot such things that by the voluntary disposition of the men who succeed him, may be useful for generations. What he did in life may appear to the will of his successors excellent.

But when men attempt to impose their arbitrary views upon the unborn, they usually do more harm than good.

The constitutional provisions forbidding primogeniture, and the statutes relating to inheritances in perpetuity are sufficient examples of social thought on this point.

In fact the historical perception of this truth is strong enough in Congress, so that it has looked coldly upon the Rockefeller endowment, and refused it an incorporation. Yet this was one of the methods by which Mr. Rockefeller hoped to benefit his fellow men.

The commands of the dead will be obeyed by almost nobody who has the disposition to disobey. Mrs. Pettigill has not even succeeded in keeping safe as a library the building which she left for library purposes to Bridgeport forever, scarcely a score of years back.

We should say that Mr. Rockefeller can best benefit society by reducing the price of his products until they yield no more than a just and normal profit, when measured against the profits yielded by ordinary capital.

While Standard Oil declares dividends of several hundred per cent a year, it will not be Mr. Rockefeller who is practicing benevolence, but the persons who buy what his corporations have to sell.

"LA TRAVIATA."

The first performance of "La Traviata," one of Verdi's greatest operas, was given in Venice sixty-one years ago to-day, March 6, 1853. Giuseppe Verdi, whose centenary has just been celebrated, scored his first success with "Nabuccodonosor," in 1842.

CABOT

The first white man to set foot on the mainland of the North American continent was John Cabot, a Venetian mariner who received letters patent from Henry VII, dated March 5, 1496, just 418 years ago today. The Italian had been a merchant in Bristol, England, for many years before his ambition was fired by the discoveries of Columbus.

KELLY'S APPOINTMENT PLEASES POSTAL EMPLOYEES

Postal clerks, carriers and others in this city and throughout the state of Connecticut will be pleased to learn that official appointment was made yesterday of William E. Kelly for the postmastership of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. Kelly who was elevated from the ranks declared that if appointed he would show what a good executive man from the ranks could make. He is president of the National Letter Carriers Association, 41 years old, a graduate of the public schools and entered the government service as a substitute carrier. He is a gifted organizer. He carries the best wishes to the local department and Order of Elks here in undertaking his new duties.

BRADY ELECTED HEAD OF THE MASTER PLUMBERS

The Bridgeport Master Plumbers' Association held its annual banquet last night with many visitors of note present. John F. Brady acting as toastmaster introduced Frank J. Fee, of New York, as the principal speaker of the evening; also his associate partner, Charles Edwards, M. W. Manwaring, William P. Kirk, John J. Scanlon, Robert T. Rock and F. C. Booth.

MARKETMEN HEAR OF ICE ECONOMY

The Retail Butchers & Grocers' Association met in Concordia hall last night where they listened to speeches upon modern methods of refrigeration, self-conducted by the use of electricity and gasoline. Porter L. Swift of Hartford explained the workings of the ice-making machinery and the automatic system of control. Among the audience of butchers and grocers were also prominent marketmen and ice-cream dealers.

BLACK ROCK FOLKS PREFER SEWERS TO WHITE WAY PLAN

Taxpayers of Black Rock met at 2,930 Fairfield avenue last night and appointed a committee to look over the civic needs of the district and report at a meeting scheduled for Thursday next. A petition will be presented to the common council protesting against expenditures for a new white way and suggesting that it would better be used for sewers in the Black Rock district.

The First National Bank of Cape Girardeau, Mo., was closed by a national bank examiner. Bad paper to the extent of \$70,000 is said to have been the cause.

STONE HEADS COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS



Senator Stone

CLASH OF BANKERS EXPECTED IN CITY HALL NEXT WEEK

Bill Regulating Depositing of Public Funds is Scheduled For Hearing.

Fireworks are expected at the public hearing Tuesday evening on an amendment to the ordinance which will permit the depositing of city funds with trust companies as well as National banks.

Moses M. Manwaring, city treasurer and also cashier of the American Bank & Trust Co., the new East Side bank is said to be heartily in favor of the amendment. The proposed ordinance would permit his bank being made a depository for the city's money.

On the same evening there will be a hearing of the ordinance proposed by Alderman Walker to forbid the sale of dipped milk.

CHANGE IN NEW COIN STARTS COUNTERFEIT SCARE

Rumors that counterfeit five cent pieces are being circulated about the city were today met by denial at the principal banks, but that the people have been "buffaloed" by the recent change in the new "Buffalo" type of coin is not denied.

According to bank officials it was recently found necessary by the government to change the shape of the new piece somewhat. Observing persons who have seen a straight heavy line beneath the relief of the buffalo stamp, backgammon boards, aprons, corset covers, all big values.

The British government has contributed \$50,000 to the expenses of Sir Ernest Shackleton's Antarctic expedition.

WE ARE HEADQUARTERS FOR

Rubbers Rubber Boots AND Arctic

In One Two and Four Buckles THE ALLING RUBBER CO. 1126 MAIN STREET

Syndicate Stores

The D. M. Read Co. Established 1857

Spring Styles in Men's Wear. Neglige Shirts of approved patterns, and the latest Neckwear.

An advance shipment of Spring patterns in Neglige Shirts, made with soft French cuffs, really an elegant assortment, places the Men's Section in position to supply the needs of the most fastidious customer. These Shirts are for particular men.

Novelties in Ties. The Tango colors have invaded the necktie silks, making the display gorgeous and brilliant.

Heavily ribbed Silks and thick rich Surahs have been used to make up these handsome open-end Scarves which have all the late and fashionable colors.

Basket weaves are very pleasing in dark browns, tans, electric blue and green mingled with silver.

Cheney Silks in four-in-hands, all the popular shades, navy, Yale blue, purple, gray, brown and cardinal.

Tango Four-in-hands, rich hues, 50 cts.

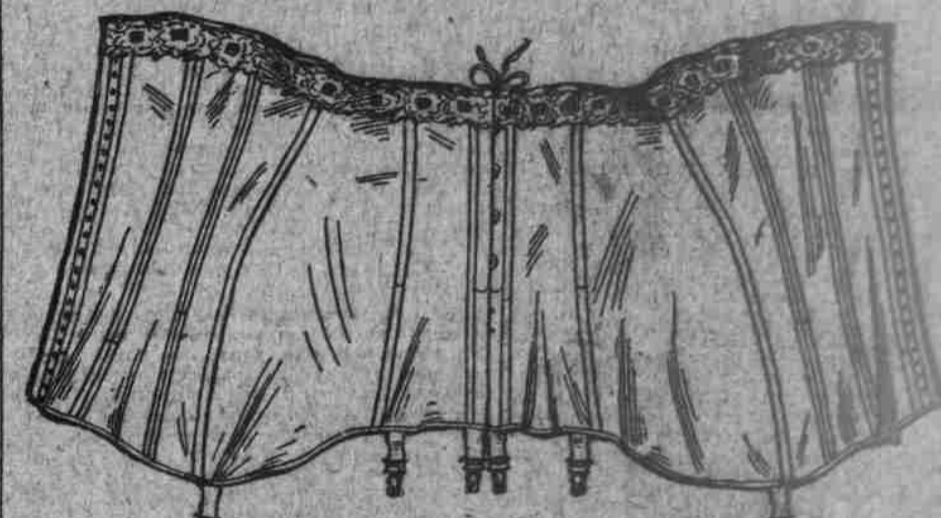
Women's Underwear.

Berkshire Mills, ribbed garments for early Spring. A medium light weight to put on when heavy wear is left off.

Vests, high neck, short or long sleeves Dutch-neck, elbow sleeves Low neck, short or no sleeves

Pants in ankle length Pants or Tights, knee length

The Redfern Corset



One can see at a glance the good lines of this fine Corset. It looks as if it would feel good. The material is right, the boning is right, and it is exactly what is required for the present fashion in gowns.

At the Corset Section there is a display of the late designs in Warner's Redfern, a world famous style.

Prices, \$3.00, \$5.00, \$6.00 and up.

The D. M. Read Company

Fairfield Avenue VARIETY STORE Broad Street THE STORE THAT PAYS THE CAR FARE

GREAT SALE TOMORROW, SATURDAY

At 25c—Quart house paint, many kinds of tools, chisels, hammers, hatchets, handy house axes, wrenches, pry bars, screw drivers, saws, rules up to 8 feet, leather and canvas gloves, woolen gloves, cashmere gloves, heavy mittens, boxes envelopes, yard rubber sheeting, night lamps, backgammon boards, aprons, corset covers, all big values.

At 25c—Huck and Turkish towels, splendid hosiery for men, women and children, heavy canvas gloves, pound boxes linen writing paper.

At 30c—Cans of hand soap, patent glass tubes for moth, clothes line guides and guide pulleys, folding rules, boxes with 3 dozen thumb tacks, large sponges, enameled playing cards, varnish and paint brushes, whisk brooms, full pieces laces and colored edgings.

At 35c—New torchon laces, Square Deal writing tablets, High School composition books, white and colored blue binding, 3 good lead pencils, several kinds twine, one foot carpenter's folding rules, new

mask, curtain and comic, extra good handkerchiefs, rolls crepe paper, bar cloths, pulleys, combs, comb hangers. Rebate check given with every purchase at this counter.

At 79c—Special lot high priced skates. At 49c—Good clamp skates. At 25c—Men's silk neckwear. At 35c—Big straw hand bags. See what big value this is.

At 25c—Boys' blouses; big new lot. At 25c—Heavy awning strips. At 50c—New feather pillows covered with good tickings.

SPECIAL SALE BETWEEN 9 AND 10 A. M. ONLY At 35c—Big line best light prints. At 35c—Yard wide chess cloth. At 45c—Handsome chaises. At 45c—Good Brown flannel. At 55c—Yard wide unbleached muslin.

At 65c—Handsome cretonne. At 75c—Good cotton batting. At 95c—Very fine black saten; new lot just in. At 95c—Fine English long cloth. At 45c—Best dark prints.

ROWE IS UNANIMOUSLY RE-ELECTED BY B. R. T.

John L. Rowe of this city was yesterday re-elected chairman of the joint executive board of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen and Order of Railroad Conductors on the New Haven road, at New Haven, which position he has now held for the past six years. He is the unanimous choice of railroad men all along the line.

It was officially announced that no grievances now lie against the New

RATS START FLEE.

Fire in the ceiling under the second floor at 606 East Main street resulted in an alarm from Box 114 at 9:35 o'clock last night. Damage of more than \$50 resulted, as it was necessary to tear down some of the ceiling and rip up floor planks. Rats are supposed to have been the cause.

The National Association of Retail Grocers now blame the consumers for the high cost of living! What do you think of that? It's as though the murderer caught red-handed, charged the victim of his brutal passion with murdering himself—the murderer!

Farmers Want Ads. One Cent a Word.