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THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL.

BRIDGEPORT IS investing more than a million dollars in a high school, half for bricks and mortar, and half for interest on borrowed money.

The Board of Education should hold the architect to strict accountability for the quality of the work, and he in turn must see that the specifications are fully complied with.

RELUCTANT MR. ROCKEFELLER.

WILLIAM ROCKEFELLER wants to be left alone. He thinks it is time "persecutions of business men came to an end."

There you have the attitude of a man who has been greatly enriched by the privilege of living in the United States, and under the protection of its government.

What he says carries a lesson. Mr. Rockefeller probably does know very little of how the New Haven company was run, though he was a director.

The argument for national ownership of railroads is strengthened. It is not the costly directors, some dummies and some thieves, who run the railroads of America.

FESTIVAL OF VENERABLE BEDE, THE FIRST ENGLISH HISTORIAN

IN THE CALENDARS of both the Roman Catholic and Anglican churches today, the twenty-seventh of May, is the festival of the Venerable Bede, the first English historian.

Bede was a student of every branch of science and literature then known, and familiar with Latin, Hebrew and Greek. His industry was enormous, and, in the intervals of performing his duties as a priest, he wrote biographies of saints, pious homilies, epigrams, hymns, and works on history, grammar and chronology.

In the treatise which he compiled for his students, and which is still extant, Bede brought together a veritable encyclopedia of information and religious and secular knowledge, comprising about everything the world then knew of history, chronology, physics, music, philosophy, theology, poetry, mathematics and medicine.

In his latter years the saint suffered much from illness and lack of appreciation of his efforts. When he died, in 735, he was engaged in translating the gospel of St. John from the Greek.

THE FUTURE OF DECORATION DAY

THE SPIRIT of Decoration day exercises, held May 30 throughout the Northern states in honor of the heroic dead, has vastly changed of recent years.

The depletion of the ranks of the veterans by death gives each recurring Decoration day a deeper note of sadness. The spirit of sectional triumph and bitterness has gone, for which all are thankful.

The surviving soldiers urgently entreat their townspeople to give these commemorative exercises the support of a dignified assemblage. But too often the veterans seem to have passed from the center of the stage.

All who admire the heroism shown in the Civil war will wish to see the exercises in honor of the Blue and the Gray continued after the last veterans have gone.

In some towns, various churches and societies have already organized to observe this occasion, in place of the veterans who have gone. Graves of federal and confederate dead alike are decorated.

THE GREAT CHARTER

THE FIRST STEP toward English constitutional freedom was the Magna Charta, which was the beginning and the basis of those liberties now enjoyed by Englishmen and English-speaking peoples throughout the globe.

This charter is the basis of the constitution of the United States, and furnishes the fundamental rights guaranteed by the charters of the several states.

EDITORIAL NOTES

June 14 is flag day. It is generally felt that everybody else should hang out a flag.

After a summer hotel man gets his dance hall built, he can then see to providing a dining room.

It is frequently less expensive to get "next" to the man who has an automobile, than it is to buy one of your own.

Is there any connection between the continued hot spell and the testimony of Charles Sanger Mellen at Washington? Undoubtedly Mr. Mellen's revelations are causing more than one malefactor to sweat around the collar.

At least Mr. Morgan didn't burn the books. Maybe he'll wish he had before Folk gets through with them.

What kind of an ailment is it that this man Rockefeller is subject to that manages to interfere with his pleasures only when Uncle Sam feels that his presence is necessary for the purpose of shedding illumination upon a very interesting question affecting the morals of some of our very best citizens.

According to one of our oldest and most respected Irish settlers yesterday's blow that dug out great arms from trunks of giant trees and hurled chimneys from roofs in some places was no more to be compared to the "Big Wind" in Ireland, than the first breath of new born babe.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY PARTY

Great Lakes Navigation. The first steamboat on Lake Erie, the "Walk-in-the-Water," was launched at Black Rock, a short distance below Buffalo, ninety-six years ago today, May 28, 1818.

The first steamboat on the Great Lakes was the Frontena, which was launched in 1816 at Toledo, Ohio. The Frontena was built by Canadians at a cost of \$75,000, and was for many years the most magnificent and palatial of Great Lakes steamboats.

Columbia School of Mines.

More than local or even national interest attaches to the celebration in New York to-day of the semi-centennial of the Columbia School of Mines.

The establishment of the College of Arts and Sciences marked the beginning of technical education in the New World.

The Troy institution remained almost dormant in its field until the early '60s, but gradually other technical schools were launched in various parts of the United States and Canada.

On our Baseball goods, gloves and mitts as follows: 25c Now 19c, 50c Now 43c, 75c Now 69c, \$1.00 Now 89c, \$1.25 Now \$1.19, \$1.50 Now \$1.39, \$1.75 Now \$1.69, \$2.00 Now \$1.89.

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income than the earnings of their muse usually wear a "lean and hungry look," but Thomas Augustine Daly, although he has practiced the profession of poetry for many years, does not have the appearance of one who is suffering from under-nutrition.

Mr. Daly was educated in the public schools of his native city, and at Villanova College, and Fordham University. He remained at the latter institution only to the close of his sophomore year, but Fordham later conferred the honorary M. A. degree upon her distinguished son.

When the future bard left college at eighteen to face the cruel, heartless world, he got a job as a clerk, and it was while engaged in the prosaic tasks incident to this situation that he began to cultivate an acquaintance with the muse.

In 1906 Mr. Daly published his first volume of verse, entitled "Canzonet" and in the same year his colleague of the press elevated him president of the American Press Humorists. It was at about this time, too, that the poet discovered that golden sheaves in large and nutritious quantities were to be accumulated by incursions on the lecture platform.

Another volume of verse, "Carmina" was published in 1908, and this was followed by "Madrigals" and "Little Folly's Pomes." In the following verse Mr. Daly gives the Italian peddler's conception of government:

"De gov'm'mant eet walk eet beat "Ben uniform a blue, For keep an eye upon da street An' watcha w'at you do. An' ee eet think you make so mooch You soon weel own da town, Eet tak' banan', peanut an' sooch For keep da profit down."

Mr. Daly is among the most gifted of America's modern humorists, and it is a tribute to the good taste and appreciation of his countrymen that he is not compelled to waste any of his time and talents by worry over ways and means to keep the fleas off his back.

Representative Edwin F. Webb, Democrat of North Carolina, was chosen chairman of the House judiciary committee.

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