

EDUCATION OF IRISH PEASANTS.

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St. Louis Man Finds World's Fair Well Advertised Abroad, Although Some Mistaken Ideas Need Correction.

After spending the summer in Europe, Edward Devoy of No. 1827 Cass avenue, president of the Devoy & Ferguson Coal and Coke Company, has returned to this city and has many observations to make, the result of his tour, which bears upon the coming World's Fair.

The unfortunate state of the bulk of the people in the Western Ireland agricultural districts, and the attempt of the English Government to alleviate suffering, especially in the north.

Without claiming to have seen enough or to have stayed a sufficient time to become thoroughly conversant with the Irish question, Mr. Devoy came away with the distinct conviction that the hopeless and poverty-stricken state of the poor of Ireland is a disgrace to the English nation; that the attitude of the average Englishman in regard to Ireland is criminally indifferent, and that some of the recent moves of Irish leaders are mistaken.

In regard to the World's Fair, he found that it is well advertised in all the countries which he visited; that intense interest is taken in it, but that a great deal more should be done to distribute more specific information for the benefit of desirable exhibitors.

He learned that the Venice manufacturer, who had been under the impression that duty would be charged on exhibits, landed in Queenstown, Ireland, he went to Cork first, from Cork he visited the southern section of the island, then Dublin, and then the western part. He went by rail as far as County Tipperary, and then he stage into the heart of the agricultural district.

MR. DEVUY DESCRIBES THE IRISH PEASANTRY.

"The destitution and poverty of the people is something which cannot be realized until seen," said he. "The farms are little plots of ground about the size of a half city block. Most of the people are old men or women, or children. All the young men either have gone to the army or have emigrated. As early as you rise in the morning they will be up behind their doors, but they stay working until dark. And that means in June and July until 9 or 10 o'clock at night.

They are heart-breaking in their destitution. They seem down-trodden to the limit and have given up the struggle. They are owned by landlords, who live abroad either in Paris or London, and who seldom visit their estates, but who are represented by agents, who, as a rule, squeeze them to the last dollar.

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The question of relief is too broad to master at once. The efforts of the American-Irish organizations do much good in the way of providing relief, but they are limited. The English plan, now being put in operation, by which the tenant can acquire an extreme lease, so far as the shorter time by special effort, the ownership of the lands is a good one. It is very complicated, however, and it is not to be fully understood by all the Irish, who are, and therefore I will not attempt to describe it.

The election of Lynch as a member of Parliament seemed to many of the Irish to be an English ruse, having served with the Boers. He also seems to have proved himself an impostor. He was an Englishman, and he was not the Irish brigadier fighting for the Boers, while it has developed that there were only a handful of Irish in the Boer forces, certainly not enough to compose a brigade.

Also the actions of Member of Parliament McHugh in claiming immunity from arrest because of his position as an English Magistrate when brought before the courts, was foolish. All these sensational statements, however, are not to be taken as they are. They are not to be taken as they are. They are not to be taken as they are.

WATERS WILL COME. Water in hotels, their attendants, merchants, and all whom he met were interested in the World's Fair. The waters of the St. Louis Transit Company in the city court yesterday for \$7,000 damages for injuries alleged to have been sustained by the Fair in Dusseldorf, Germany, in 1901.

REWARD FOR WIFE'S CAPTURE. Indian Territory Husband Anxious to Recover His Mate.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Tulsa, I. T., Aug. 28.—Three days ago Ira Hickey and Mrs. Eunice Carr, wife of J. R. Carr, of this city, fled from the home of the husband's to the value of about \$100. Carr has offered a reward of \$500 for the capture of Hickey. He is 25 years old, 5 ft. 10 in. tall, and is a young man. They left in broad daylight while Carr was away from home.

FOUR DAYS WITHOUT FOOD. Old Man Found in Schoolhouse Near East St. Louis.

After lying four days without food or drink, John Raymer, 81 years old, who is too weak to tell much about himself, was found by a surveying party in a schoolhouse on the Rock road, four miles from East St. Louis, yesterday afternoon.

ASSESSED VALUES AGGREGATE ALMOST A HALF BILLION. PRESIDENT INGALLS ISSUES HIS REPORT.

Gross Earnings of the Big Four Have Increased More Than Four Millions.

SHOWING LAST FISCAL YEAR.

Table showing assessed valuations for 1901 and 1902, including real estate, personal property, and public property.

The assessed values of properties of all kinds are larger this year than in any previous year in the city's history. As a matter of course, therefore, the revenue for the year for all purposes, will be greater this year than ever before.

The Missouri Pacific Railroad was assessed at \$12,500,000 for 29.9 miles of track and \$11,000 for its buildings. The Missouri Pacific branch in St. Louis was assessed \$4,500 a mile for 9.23 miles of track and \$1,500 for its buildings.

The St. Louis and Suburban Railway Company, running from the Suburban loop to Forest Park, is assessed at \$2,500,000 for 11.9 miles of track and \$700,000 for its buildings.

The St. Louis and North-western Railway Company is assessed at \$1,500,000 for 6.5 miles of track and \$500,000 for its buildings.

The St. Louis and Kansas City and Colorado Railway Company is assessed at \$1,500,000 for 6.5 miles of track and \$500,000 for its buildings.

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Assessments are certified. Auditor's Statement on Tax Valuation of Corporate Properties.

PRESIDENT BURT OF THE UNION PACIFIC ISSUES A STATEMENT IN REGARD TO HIS ARREST.

Notes.

The report is for the fiscal year ending July 31, 1902, and is the thirteenth annual statement to the directors of the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway Company.

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THE UNION PACIFIC SHOPS IN OMAHA.

They are being employed by a labor agency in Indianapolis, which had no connection with the railroad company.

MORGAN'S ROAD IN DANGER.

Asks for Protection for Southern Railroad.

New York, Aug. 28.—A circular to the stockholders of the Southern Railway Company was issued to-day by J. Pierpont Morgan, Charles Lander and George F. Baker, the voting trustees, recommending a continuing trust to protect the railroad.

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EAST SIDE NEWS.

LEAPED TO ESCAPE DEATH BY FLAMES.

John Whitesides Injured in Jumping from Window in Early Morning Fire.

Fire was discovered in the basement of the two-story brick building at Fifth street and St. Louis avenue, East St. Louis, about 2 o'clock yesterday morning.

ALTON.

Republican Convention Is Called.

The Madison County Republican Executive Committee has called a convention at Alton yesterday and called the county nominating convention for September 10.

Alton Notes and Personal.

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