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European Treatment of the Problem of the Unemployed and the Results Attained.

VARIOUS METHODS OF RELIEF.

There are Three General Classes, the Employable, the Unemployable and the Vagrant.—Public Bureaus Have Grown Rapidly in Number.

Berlin, Germany In their treatment of the problem European countries usually recognize three general classes of unemployed the employable, the unemployable and the vagrant, the incorrigible or more or less vicious. The principal agency everywhere for dealing with the employable is the employment bureau private and public.

Public employment bureaus in Germany have grown rapidly in the last twenty years in numbers and efficiency. In a recent year, for example, according to an official report, there were in Germany over 400 public employment bureaus, finding places in that year for some 550,000 persons.

THE GHEENT SYSTEM the trade union out-of-work benefit is supplemented by the addition of sums contributed by the municipal or communal, or in some cases the provincial or general government.

This system has been largely developed throughout Belgium and has spread to other countries, notably France. In Switzerland the attempts to establish a system of insurance against unemployment have attracted much attention, though they cannot be said to have been successful.

Great Britain, Germany and France have furnished valuable experience in the management of temporary relief works. In Germany, and to a less extent, in France, the provision of municipal relief works have come to be general in the larger cities during the winter season.

In Germany, Switzerland and Austria home shelters are organized in a general system of homes or hotels for workmen travelling in search of work in all the larger cities and towns. Here workmen can find lodging for a night or two by paying a small sum, or, if unable to pay, by doing a little work in the morning.

Connected with these home shelters there has been developed, particularly in southern Germany and a few other portions of the German empire, a system of smaller relief stations under government administration or support. These relief stations are already organized in many portions of the empire in such numbers as to be within walking distance of each other and all are connected by telephone.

A workman travelling in search of work can go from shelter to shelter and at every point learn in which direction he can look for work with the most hope of success. If unable to pay for his shelter he is required to work in the morning and travel in the afternoon, and the time he can stay at any one shelter is strictly limited.

Legislation has been enacted in Prussia looking to the establishment of this system all over that kingdom. In the Cantons of Switzerland, which have accepted the system, and in considerable portions of Germany, tramps and irresponsible vagrants have largely disappeared from the community.

Richmond, Ind.—The marriage of Miss Alice Davenport, aged thirty-five, to William Toney, forty-five years old, of Charter Oak, does not tell the whole story. They were children together and became engaged, but the marriage was prevented by the objections of the girl's parents, who did not believe young Toney capable of supporting a wife.

Not Hurt by Prohibition Wave. Washington, D. C.—The wave of prohibition which has spread over the country apparently has had little effect on consumption of alcoholic liquors and spirituous drinks, according to the internal revenue receipts.

New Rifle Record in Army. Mobile, Ala.—The Seventy-fifth United States Artillery Company at Fort Morgan made new records for the fort with 12-inch rifles. Out of ten shots, eight hits were made on a target six miles off the fort in the Gulf of Mexico.

BASEBALL OLD AS HILLS.

Prof. Starr Says Mound Builders Played It, 100 Men Taking Part in a Game.

Chicago—“Baseball is not a modern game and all credit for the invention of it should go to the mound builders.”

This declaration was made by Prof. Frederick Starr, of the University of Chicago, in a lecture delivered to his class in prehistoric archaeology. Prof. Starr declares that through the southern part of Ohio and Indiana he has found geometrically perfect mounds or inclosures closely resembling the modern baseball diamond. These are generally believed to have been built for purposes of protection, but Prof. Starr says they are nothing more or less than old ball fields of the mound builders.

How many innings they played, how many runs they made whether a game with 100 players lasted longer than a cricket match, or whether the cry of “kill the umpire” was ever raised were points as to which the learned professor did not enlighten his hearers.

Prof. Starr said however that the line in Casey at the Bat. There was no joy in Mudville for Casey had struck out. “Came from Mudville a noted mound builder town in Ohio. He thinks the championship in those days was in or around Chicago.”

HORSE STARVED 15 DAYS.

Fell Through Roof of Cave Hidden by Tall Grass and Weeds.

Logan, Ia. One of Lowrie Morland's horses disappeared. Cards were placed in papers and several parties searched the country over for the animal but no trace of it could be found.

A neighboring family returned from a visit of a few weeks and found the horse in a cave not more than a half block from the stable which he had left fifteen days before.

The horse had walked up on top of the cave when the roof gave way and it had dropped in. Grass and weeds above the place obscured the view of the top and in all of the search no one happened to think of the case as the door was closed.

The horse was still alive and was fed back to the stable, although having been without food or drink for fifteen days.

ONE ON THE UNDERTAKER.

By Mistake His Cuffs Are Put on and Buried with the Dead.

Marion, Ind. A. E. Stuart, a local undertaker, having occasion to prepare a body for burial at the Soldiers' Home, by a mistake placed a pair of his own cuffs on the corpse. An hour or two later Stuart missed his cuffs and telephone to the man who had assisted him at the Soldiers' Home morgue. The man replied that cuffs of that description had been used on the corpse, which was then taken to the city for burial. The undertaker was chagrined at the mistake for a valuable set of cuff buttons went with the cuffs.

GYROSCOPE AS A COMPASS.

German Naval Invention Dispenses with the Magnetic Needle.

Charlottenburg, Germany. At a recent meeting of the League of German Naval Architects Dr. Anschuetzkaampfs of Kiel exhibited a compass without a magnetic needle. It is in the form of a gyroscope, which, when suspended in a certain way, always adjusts itself parallel to the earth's axis.

The invention is regarded as of great importance to ironclads, where the compass needle frequently is deflected by adjacent metal.

Blames Earthworms for Cancer.

Buffalo, N. Y. The Buffalo Academy of Medicine heard a new theory as to the origin of cancer. Dr. Hiram D. Walker said that seven years' experiment had proved to his satisfaction that cancer was a parasitic disease, and that the common garden worm was the source of the parasite which produced cancer.

The transmission of the parasite from the worm to the human being came from the worm crawling over fresh vegetables which were afterward eaten.

Bees Get Loose and Cause Runaway. Princeton, Ind.—At a sale here, Johnson Clark, a farmer, bought a hive of bees, and as he was carrying it to his buggy the bottom dropped out and the bees with it. The bees got busy at once, alighting on the horse, stinging it and causing it to run away. Clark was caught in the lines, dragged some distance and seriously injured.

Mob Insurance, a Novelty.

London.—A genuine novelty in the way of insurance has just been introduced in England, called “mob insurance.” It is taken out by merchants against possible losses through rioting or looting by mobs.

Report of the Condition of the National Bank of Commerce

At Rochester, in the State of New York, at the close of business, November 27, 1908.

Table with columns RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Resources include Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, secured and unsecured, U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, etc. Liabilities include Capital stock paid in, Surplus fund, Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid, etc.

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