

IN THE WORLD OF SPORT

Special Extra; McGraw Has Already Won 1914 Pennant.



Johnny McGraw, manager of the New York National baseball team, has already won the pennant for 1914.

Chicago Boating Dates. Members of the Boat Owners' association of the Chicago Yacht club gathered recently for their last dinner and business meeting of the winter season.

Wolverens May Lose Star. Because he played two years on the nine of Cornell college in Iowa John W. Cory, star outfielder on the Michigan varsity ball squad in 1913, may be barred from further competition for Michigan because of the rule which prohibits a player serving more than three years in collegiate athletics.

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Mainleaf Sold For \$13,500. Mainleaf, 2:08 1/4, a three-year-old trotting stallion, brought a high price at the annual horse sales at Lexington, Ky., recently, when he was purchased by John W. Trimble of Mount Sterling, Ky., for \$13,500.

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ROUND THE WORLD

Philadelphia has a professional woman chauffeur.

California shipped 1,000,000 oranges last year.

Street railways in Cleveland killed thirty-three persons in 1913.

Aunt Dorcas, an Atlanta negress, is believed to be 104 years old.

South Africa is buying bicycles again with considerable enthusiasm.

Divorce decrees were granted to 708 women in New York city last year.

Men's collars manufactured in England every year number about 20,000,000.

London has a club whose object it is to help working women who have talent for writing.

St. Louis is to have a school for teaching domestic science to girls in tenement districts.

In the British navy the chief cause of admission to hospital is disease of the digestive system.

Heavier frost is a pest in some parts of Russia and Turkey, interfering with the cultivation of the land.

An experiment with four blind telephone operators is now being made in the general postoffice in Turin, Italy.

The Rev. A Smythe Palmer preached in Warrstead, England, a sermon which consisted of 700 monosyllabic words.

Traces of radium have been discovered in the interior of Madagascar, and a company has been formed to exploit the deposits.

The natives of New Guinea submit freely to vaccination, accepting it as a protection against sorcery, guaranteed by the government.

King George of England is the only European sovereign who smokes a pipe.

All the others are ardent devotees of the cigar or the cigarette.

Vera Cruz, Mexico, has the distinction of being the wettest place in the western world. It has an average annual rainfall of 180 inches.

Like a second bookcase, an Ohio inventor's cornucopia can be increased in size to accommodate a crop by the addition of metal struts.

The whaling season of 1913 eclipsed all previous records, the total yield of oil for the world in that year being estimated at 800,000 casks.

More than 30,000,000 pieces of glass will be required for the 500 mosaic panels being prepared for a cathedral which is to be erected in St. Louis.

The Belgian chamber of deputies has passed a bill granting a pension of 300 francs a year for miners fifty-five years of age who have worked forty years in a mine.

There is a movement under way in England to have leather bought and sold by measurement instead of weight to prevent its weighting by worthless or injurious chemicals.

Germany has considerably outdistanced France since the nineties as regards the total sum of the national wealth, but France is still in advance in her per capita wealth.

Using delicate electrical apparatus for his experiments, a German scientist has reached the conclusion that fish are of the same temperature as the water in which they live.

The greater proportion of the population of Baluchistan are nomadic in their habits and dependent for their livelihood on a casual kind of agriculture and the raising of live stock.

France is becoming a serious competitor of Germany as a producer of toys, to the value of over \$9,500,000 a year. Germany's production of toys amounts to about \$29,750,000 a year.

It is believed that previous to civilization boldness was unknown among American Indians. The uncivilized Indian apparently is yet free from pellagra and almost immune from cancer.

Successful efforts are being made to revive the silk industry in southern Spain, which for several centuries furnished its most important industry.

Heavy taxation and a silkworm disease killed it about the middle of the last century.

The finest hotel in the world, according to the plans of its projectors, Mr. Anthony Deesty, a member of parliament, is to be erected in London, opposite the entrance to Hyde park. It will occupy nearly two acres and will cost more than \$10,000,000.

During the year 1913 the Royal National Lifeboat Institution maintained a fleet of 274 lifeboats and saved forty vessels of various sizes. Since the institution was established in 1824 it has been granted rewards for the saving of over 51,400 lives from shipwreck on the coasts of the United Kingdom.

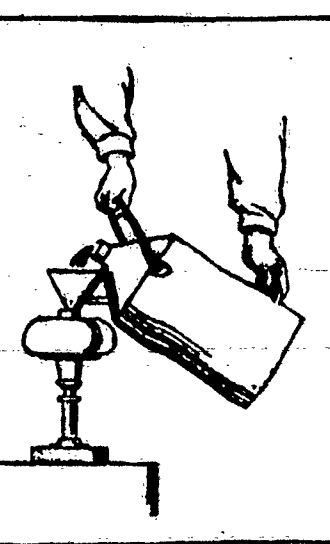
A London shopkeeper has a cat which from its youngest days has been a faithful worker in the cause of charity. At the call of its master Fluffy jumps on the counter and sticks its head through a hole in a card on which is printed a request that the public contribute a penny for the hospital fund.

The city of Nuremberg, with a population of over 330,000, consumed last year 40,000,000 pounds of meat, making nearly two-fifths of a pound of meat daily for every man, woman and child. Pork is the favorite meat. There were slaughtered 157,360 swine, 25,172 beef cattle, 36,968 calves, 19,069 sheep and goats.

Movable tables and chairs instead of the conventional fixed desks are used in the Washington Irving high school, New York city. It has been found that the plan makes for cleaner school rooms and more efficient school work. Another advantage is that with this type of school furniture the school rooms can readily be adapted to social and community purposes.

HELPFUL HINTS FOR HOUSEWIVES

Handy Combination of Oil Can and Funnel.



Any one who makes use of coal oil will see at once the great advantage of the combination oil can and funnel shown in the accompanying cut, which has been recently invented.

Care of the Sewing Machine. It is worth while bestowing all possible care on the sewing machine when working it or when unused. Don't jerk either the handle or treadle, but work quite evenly. Keep the machine free of dust and properly lubricated, not soaked with oil, so that the grease is not splattered over the material or fabric.

Coquilles of Fish. Free a pint of cold boiled fish from skin and bones and break into small pieces with a silver fork. Put the shredded fish into a saucepan, with half a cupful of boiling water, a table-spoonful of thick cream, a teaspoonful of butter rolled in flour and salt and pepper to taste.

Fish Rissoles. To a plate of cold fish add one-third as much breadcrumbs, one finely minced boiled onion, the yolks of two eggs and one tablespoonful of butter. Season to taste. Make a rich puff paste and cut it into two inch squares. Place a tablespoonful of the fish mixture on each square and fold over with the pastry.

Beef and Tomatoes. Beef that is tough and useless can be made tender and appetizing thus. Make smoking hot some beef suet or drippings, add to it a few rings of onion, lay the beef in, seasoned with salt and pepper, and brown it quickly. Then put it in a stewpan and pour over it a can of tomatoes, and simmer it slowly for several hours. Thicken the tomatoes slightly with a little flour and butter rubbed together.

Scalloped Fish. Into a well buttered baking dish put a layer of cold cooked fish, a layer of the dressing with which the fish was originally stuffed and then one of buttered bread or cracker crumbs moistened with a white sauce, sweet cream or milk. Season well and repeat these alternate layers until the dish is filled. Cover the top with well buttered crumbs and bake until an appetizing brown.

Baked Beets. After carefully washing the beets bake in a moderate oven until tender. Turn frequently with a spoon, not a fork, as that permits the juice to run out. When ready remove the skins and serve with butter, salt and white pepper. Beets cooked this way keep their flavor.

Communal Gridsteads. Scald two cupfuls of sifted meal, mix with a cupful of wheat flour and a teaspoonful of salt. Add three well-beaten eggs, thin the whole with sour milk to make of the right consistency. Beat until very light, then add a teaspoonful of soda dissolved in a little water.

Eggnog de Luxe. Beat the white and yolk of a perfectly fresh egg until the yolk is light and creamy and the white is very stiff. To the yolk add a teaspoonful of sugar and beat again; then beat in the favoring. Add half a cupful of whipped cream and fold in the white of the egg.

SNAPSHOTS AT NOTABLE PERSONS

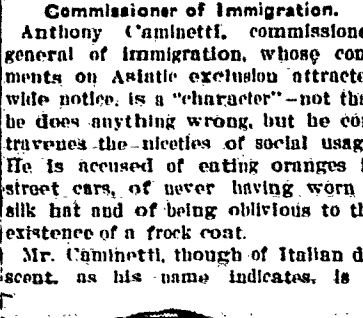
E. E. Clark, Interstate Commerce Commission Head.



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The ruling by the Interstate Commerce commission against the 5 per cent increase in rates is held by the railroads to be a serious menace to their prosperity.

Commissioner of Immigration. Anthony Caminetti, commissioner general of immigration, whose comments on Asiatic exclusion attracted wide notice, is a "character" not that he does anything wrong, but he contravenes the niceties of social usage.



ANTHONY CAMINETTI

native son of California. He was born at Jackson, Amador county, on July 30, 1854, and has lived there ever since.

After getting a public school education he studied law and was admitted to the bar, and it was not long until he was actively engaged in practice. From 1878 to 1882 he was district attorney of Amador county and in 1882 was elected to the California assembly.

FOR THE CHILDREN

How to Make an Aeolian Harp.

An aeolian harp can be made by almost any ingenious boy. It consists of a long, narrow box of very thin wood, about five or six inches deep, with a circle in the middle of the upper side an inch and a half in diameter, in which are to be drilled smaller holes. In this side seven, ten or more strings of very fine gut are stretched over bridges at each end like the bridges of a fiddle and screwed up or relaxed with screw pins.

Nest Eggs—A Game. Have you ever played nest eggs? It is a game for any number of players up to eight, and you must make as many shallow holes in the ground as there are players.

Riddles. Why must chimney sweeping be a very agreeable business? Because it suits (suits) every one who tries it.

Hunting the Eggs. Hunting the egg is great sport on Easter. The hostess must have lots of eggs dyed ready for her guests.

An Ancient Gauge. In the historical annals of Korea there is found a reference to rain gauges, which translates as follows: In the twenty-fourth year of the reign of King Sejo (1442) the king ordered constructed a bronze instrument to measure the rainfall, much like those used now in the weather bureau.

A Coin Trick. Place a strip of smooth paper on a table so that the end of it hangs over the edge. Stand a new penny on edge upon the paper and announce that you will take the paper away without touching the penny or disturbing it from its position.

Easter Eggs. "Oh, grandpa—in the hedge-wa're found. Four Easter eggs all colored blue! They're in the sweetest little nest. We want to show 'em prize to you. Said grandpa: "Touch them not, my dears. Those eggs God dyed with colors rare. The mother bird will soon come back And guard her nest with loving care. These Easter eggs in leaf hid nests Impression countless song birds bright That soon will break the tinted shell And rise and sing in joyous flight."

AT THE BOTTOM OF A CREVASSE

True Heroism Shows Its Metal in the Swiss Alps.

Sitting on a hotel porch among the Swiss Alps in August with my Uncle George, both of us gazing up at a glacier winding its way to the valley, I noticed a sad look in his eye.

"Doesn't the view invigorate you, uncle?" I asked. "I've been thinking, Billy," he replied. "Of what?" "Our contemptible natures."

"I knew my uncle was a pessimist. Most old men are. I made no reply. "When I was your age," he continued, "I gave way to a weakness—a good many weaknesses, but one especially right here in these mountains. At the time to have confessed it would have been a strain on me. Now my act seems nothing more than what might be expected from a descendant of that half brute, half savage, called prehistoric man."

"What is the difference between reckless speculation and a slice of bacon? One is a rash thing, the other a rasher. Why is a joke less durable than a church bell? Because after it has been told (toll'd) a few times it is worn out. Why is Canada like courtship? Because it borders on the United States. If an egg could speak what preserve would it name? Ma-m-e-laid (marmalade).

"The rope held. Bob was dragged a few feet and then got a firmer foothold, but a precarious one. There was no possibility of his pulling me up, and if the strain continued I would soon drag him over. We talked together about the prospect, he trying to encourage me. I knew I had to go to the bottom, and it depended upon me whether or not I dragged Bob with me. I did none other than act toward him, and I couldn't bring myself to drag him down with me, especially when it wouldn't save me. I put my hand in my pocket, took out my knife and, breathing a prayer that my soul should be received in the other world, cut the rope."

"I heard something between a shriek and a groan from Bob. To my astonishment, I fell only about thirty feet and landed in soft snow. I was buried up to my armpits. Of course I called up to Bob that I was all right, and I shall never forget the 'Thank God!' I heard him utter.

"Well, there I was, stuck in snow at the bottom of a crevasse, with no means of getting out. The rope wasn't long enough by half to reach me. Bob of course was enabled to secure his own position, or, rather, to jump to the other side of the crevasse. He jumped safely, and we held a parley. There seemed nothing to do but for him to go down to the hotel for assistance and a rope. Fortunately some one there was watching us through a glass, saw the accident and met him on the way. In the middle of the afternoon I was drawn up."

"We sat for a few moments in silence, I overwhelmed with the utter absence of consciousness on the part of my uncle of his heroism, then I said: "What did your friend say about your cutting the rope?" "He never thought to examine the cut. He supposed the rope had broken."