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And Another, Tom!

Tom Watson seems to have achieved much undesirable notoriety, even in his home state of Georgia.

Let us quote another witness against Watson, taken from the Atlanta "Constitution."

In an address on "Education and Citizenship," State Superintendent of Schools M. L. Brittan said, after speaking of his own son having enlisted for the war...

"Our Flag"

This tribute to the Stars and Stripes, from an unnamed exchange is reproduced here so that our readers may preserve it for future reference.

That piece of red, white and blue bunting means years of struggle upward. It is the full-blown flower of ages of fighting for liberty.

Our flag stands for no race. It stands for men, men of any blood who will come and live with us under its protection.

Our flag waves defiance at all the ghosts that have solong intimidated men; the ghost of aristocracy, the ghost of war, and all their kind that still lay shadowy hands on the life of Europe and Asia.

Listen, son! the band is playing "The Star Spangled Banner." They have let loose Old Glory yonder. Stand up! Bare your head, lift your eyes and thank God that you live under the flag which means the redemption of the world!

Good Reading.

Naturally the fall and winter months are the time when he who is of a literary turn or prone to reading chooses to betake himself to his books.

In this day of hustle and bustle, he is a happy and fortunate man if he is able to concentrate his mind upon his books.

He who is able to live the outdoor life and he who is able to pass his time with his books are men to be envied.

But the average man is not a real reader—he is not even a dead head passenger on the train of reading.

No Controversy.

While it may be true that there has been some good accomplished through the agency of the Hearst publications, nevertheless the prime end of these sheets is the glorification of its proprietor.

The International News Service commonly called the Hearst service has been stating and reiterating that there was an acrimonious controversy on between the Knights of Columbus and the Masonic fraternity regarding the presence of the former and the exclusion of the latter from the army cantonments.

"It is a mistake that there is any fight or controversy of any kind between the Masons and the Knights of Columbus. The Knights of Columbus are working in the army camps not as lodge, but as the representatives of the Catholic people of this country.

Advent.

Once more the ecclesiastical year has rolled around and again the season of Advent is with us. In preparation for the feast of Christmas, we are to fast a bit, pray more fervently, deny ourselves.

The Church ordains her seasons and ceremonies well. Fasts before feasts—pain before joy—that is the schedule if such a phrase may be permitted.

We shall not enjoy Christmas truly unless we prepare through the Advent fast.

Says James Russell Lowell:—A man does not receive the statements that "two and two make four" and "that the pure in heart shall see God" on the same terms.

Russia nowadays may be likened to a Kaleidoscope portraying Chameleonic peoples.

New York State's safety code, apparently, was a practical, safe and sane gathering with less of the erratic theorists in attendance than usual in such meetings.

"Conserve and waste not" is the slogan of the day and it applies to everybody, the rich as well as the poor.

Rochester's soldier boys are much in evidence these days and our Catholic boys are in the list, too.

If you have not been solicited for the Catholic Charities Aid Association, Treasurer William C. Barry will accept your donation.

Father W. I. G. Doyle, of Galway, Ireland, went to and from the battlefields in France, ministering to the wounded and dying.

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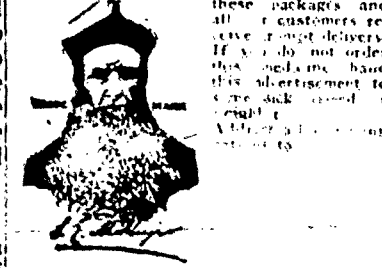
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Car-Riders in Rochester Pay Less Than in Cleveland

It seems proper at this time the citizens of Rochester should understand and know that Cleveland has in reality no three-cent fare.

The three cents charged for carfare in Cleveland is not a three-cent fare in the sense that the five cents charged in other cities is a five-cent fare.

CLEVELAND'S CAR SERVICE IS OF LOW GRADE: Twenty per cent. more passengers per car mile are carried in the cars of Cleveland than are carried in the cars of Rochester.

THE CITY OF CLEVELAND IS VERY LENIENT IN THE DEMANDS IT MAKES ON ITS STREET RAILWAY COMPANY.

The Railway Company does not have to renew any pavements. (The Rochester Trolley Lines have expended approximately a million and a half dollars in pavements in the last ten years.)

The city of Cleveland is receiving less taxes from its railway than other cities of equal population are receiving from their transportation companies.

CAR FARES ARE BEING RAISED, AND NOT LOWERED IN THE CITY OF CLEVELAND.

It is an actual fact that the car-riders of Cleveland are now riding at the expense of the car-riders of the future.

HOW STREET CAR FARES ARE ESTABLISHED IN THE CITY OF CLEVELAND.

Cleveland and its Railway Company have practically entered into an agreement under the terms of the Taylor Ordinance, subject to which the street car system of Cleveland is now operated.

The Taylor Ordinance established an Interest Fund of \$500,000 into which is to be paid all the revenues of the company, and from which are to be taken payments for interest, taxes and dividends.

The Ordinance also provides for a Sliding Scale of fares, and when the Interest Fund at any time shall reach \$700,000 the next lowest fare in the scale is to be applied.

The following article which appeared in the Cleveland Leader, a representative paper of the city of Cleveland, gives a true picture of the resulting conditions of the street car service in that city.

"No one who has experienced the jams common at certain times of the day on some if not all of the lines could deny that conditions are worse than uncomfortable, dignity, decency, and health are disregarded as totally as is comfort."

"It is noteworthy that this condition has come about in a city regulated by elective and appointive representatives of the voters, not by officers of 'selfish corporations,' or 'greedy special privileges' looking for big dividends. It is obvious that the people have the remedy in their hands and can apply it as expeditiously and extensively as they wish."

"It is also to be noted that the car-crowding is not a new development. It did not begin last week or last month. It has been increasing through the years, as the city's population has been increasing. The reason why the public and its representatives, though possessing full power to act, have not provided increased traction service in proportion to increased population is perfectly obvious. For 15 years, officials and voters alike have been encouraged to believe that the one great desideratum—to which all consideration of equipment, schedules, extensions and so on must give way—is not good service but three-cent fares. Of course the service has its faults."

CAR FARES HAVE BEEN RAISED TWICE IN CLEVELAND SINCE THE TAYLOR ORDINANCE BECAME EFFECTIVE, AND WILL BE RAISED AGAIN JANUARY 1, 1918.

Starting January 1, 1918, in Cleveland it is planned to make the cash fare four cents with a charge of one cent for transfers. Three tickets to be sold for ten cents, a full fare to be charged for children over six years of age, and a full fare for two children under six years of age, actually making a higher average fare than is received in Rochester, where 38 per cent. of the total passengers ride on free transfers.

J. F. HAMILTON, General Manager New York State Railways, Rochester Line.

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