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Support The Symphony

The late William H. Murphy, of Detroit, was more than a generous man and a patron of music. His substantial bequest to the Detroit Symphony Society was more than evidence of his great love of music.

Through the efforts of a group of Birmingham women, the series of regular Friday afternoon concerts was inaugurated a few years ago. These concerts, unfortunately, have been played too often because of the vast unpopularity at Orchestra Hill.

Recently a group of 80 Birmingham and nearby women, sincerely interested in the advancement of American culture, conducted a campaign for the sale of tickets to the Friday afternoon concerts.

Finding A Pot O' Gold

A poor farmer in Portugal, while laboriously trying to wrest a living from quite barren ground, struck an old crock with his pick, releasing a veritable shower of gold coins.

Lawyers For Repeal

By a vote of slightly more than two to one, three-fourths of the membership of the American Bar Association has voted for the repeal of the present prohibition law.

"Mother Jones"

"Mother Jones" was the name they called her for many years—she who rounded out a century of life, more of it in crusades to improve the working conditions of American miners.

AGE DOESN'T SEEM TO SLOW the nimbleness of Ignace Jan Paderewski's perfect piano fingers. The Polish musician will soon begin a concert tour of the United States.

THE GOOD OLD BLUE continues to be the world's "best seller." If only it could become the world's best tailor, too!

BISHOP CANNON AND HEARST are to have a lawsuit. Well, at least there's a war with big guns, an' everything.

THE BEN MAY BE MIGHTY, as many have stated, but it is very, very hard to get some of the crooks into it.

HOW MUCH DID YOU contribute last Sunday to God for being allowed to participate in His miracle?

1830-1930-2030?

Strange as it may seem, there existed in England 100 years ago a situation which arising from similar causes, parallels that which confronts the United States today.

The present moment is one of great distress. But how small will that distress appear when we think over the history of the last forty years—a star, comet, and meteor which all these wars sink into insignificance.

Having established the trend, he peered into the future. And he gave rein to his imagination as he felt his feet on solid ground.

If we were to prophesy that in the year 1910 a population of 50,000,000 better, fad, clad and lodged than the English of our time, will cover these islands...

If any person had told the Parliament which met in perplexity and terror after the crash in 1870 that in 1910 the world of England would surpass all their wildest dreams...

Machinery found that to almost all men the state of things under which they had been used to live seemed to be the necessary state of things.

The words of the distinguished orator afforded food for thought during the present phase of the industrial transformation.

We Should Know God

If we had a lot of money to give to philanthropic projects, we'd like to create an endowment of about a million dollars, the interest annually to be given to grammar school boys and girls who write the best essays on this subject.

THOUSANDS OF FEET of new pictures of Michigan's natural resources were taken by the educational division of the Department of Conservation last summer.

JOHN GILLESPIE, late advisor to the late Mayor Bowles, is expected to have seeking the chairmanship of the Republican State Central Committee.

ACCORDING TO THE DETROIT NEWS last Saturday "Pigs, Open Saloons Flourish Again" in the Fourth City.

ONE OF THE greatest advances to a higher civilization in Mexico is the recent adoption of their revised penal code which definitely abolishes capital punishment.

ONE OF THE NICEST things about a quiet home wedding is its contrast with what so often follows.

EX-TRIX THE SOWER!

Apoptrophe To A Egg
Like the
Little girl who
Has the milk she
In the middle of her forehead.
When you are good, you are very
When you are bad, there's no
Doubt about it.

Vox Polly
FINE MIDDLE OF A
My scientific collection, has become a science. Consumption is still the "big" thing in "antology."—Aunt Cass, economic cart.

NIP AND TUCK
Or the hair-raising radiance of a ping-pong match between those pellet whippers.

Ladies and gentlemen, Cavendish just called time out! The ping-pong match between those pellet whippers.

THE LAWYER AND THE LAW—
The laws of this country are written by lawyers, are pleaded by lawyers in court and are interpreted by judges who are lawyers.

AIN'T IT THE TRUTH—
A lie has not a leg to stand upon. Today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday.

FRIENDLY SILENCES!
Speaking of English politicians is a very risky suggestion against being alone.

THE "BIG SHOTS" SAY—
Winston Churchill, British political leader, says: "We are a generation which lives on newspapers just as the caterpillar feeds on the green leaves."

WILLIAM VENNIE PRATT, U. S. Adm. and Chief of Naval Operations: "With parity in our hands we become practically the balance of power in any war threatening to become a world war, and as we decide the war is not to go."

W. O. MCGEEHAN, newspaper writer: "The tragic part of it is that the undergraduates and the alumnus are equally tired of touchdowns instead of ethics."

REINHOLD NEUBAUER, of the Union Theological Seminary: "Every new instrument that civilization has devised—property, currency, trade, or machinery—has widened the breach between individuals and heaped up inequalities and misery."



The Other Chap Says Something—

Tennyson would respond, as he grasped the rugged hand of his friend: "We have, Thomas, Good night!"

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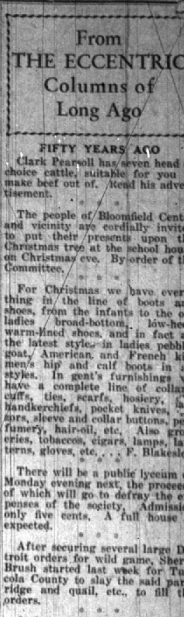
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