

WAGONS MUST CARRY LIGHTS

NEW VEHICLE LAW EFFECTIVE YESTERDAY, UNCLEAR.

Many Believe Statute Means All Wagons, Buggies and the Like.

Wagons, buggies and vehicles of all descriptions are thought by many to be included in the new vehicle law which went into effect yesterday, as passed by the last legislature. The law is read by several editors to mean that all wagons of every description must carry a light at night, but on the other hand it is not generally thought this was the intent of the law.

The sweeping character of the law probably has not been generally understood. Little attention was paid to it except by the automobile men, and the bill was usually referred to as a measure regulating automobiles. But this is what it says in defining the vehicles to which it applies:

"Every moving thing except railroad and street cars upon the streets, roads and highways of this state moved by power shall be a vehicle under the terms of this act."

Every kind of power is included, as may be confirmed by other provisions of the act. And in fixing the requirements as to light at night, the new law says:

"Every motor vehicle shall be provided with adequate brakes sufficient to control the vehicle at all times and a suitable and adequate bell, horn, whistle or other signalling device, and shall, during the period from one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise, display at least two white lights in lamps on the front and one red light in the rear of the vehicle. Said rear lamp shall show a white light across the rear of the vehicle. The white rays of such rear lamp shall shine upon the number plate carried on the rear of such vehicle. The light of the front lamps shall be visible at least 200 feet in the direction in which the vehicle is proceeding; provided, that motor bicycles or motorcycles and all other vehicles other than motor cars shall be required to display but one lighted lamp such lamp to be placed on the front of the vehicle so that it shall be visible 100 feet in the direction in which the vehicle is proceeding and show red lights to the rear. There shall be displayed on the face of the lamps

showing white light the registration number in figures not less than one inch in height, and placed thereon in such manner so that when the lamp is lighted the number may be read at a distance of at least 50 feet by a person possessing proper eyesight."

DEPOSITIONS FROM LONDON

LOVE CASE ADVANCES A NOTCH WHEN BUNDLE COMES.

Testimony After It Reaches Baker May Not Be Allowed.

A fat bundle of depositions in the Love divorce case arrived from London this morning and were filed with the county clerk. It is understood that the London testimony is by witnesses who were employed about the Love household while the family was at Rowfant, England.

Whether or not this testimony will be admitted in the case is conjectural. At least the matter will be presented to the court at the time the argument in the case is heard sometime about the middle of this month. According to the stipulation entered into between the attorneys for both sides the testimony was to be admitted which had not reached Baker at the time the hearing was concluded here.

Bottomless Tarpon Springs.

The great body of water which gave the name to Tarpon Springs, Fla., is classed by all of the old citizens as bottomless. The center appears to be a hole curbed with jagged rocks. Sometimes the weight has lodged and then dropped on to the extent of the sounding line afterward. Many citizens say that they know the depth to be in excess of 700, 800 and 900 feet. Once when a depth of 200 feet was reached an obstruction was encountered; then it was dislodged, dropped farther, and the line broke. A very heavy weight has to be used on account of the depth, and when divers are sent down in the springs, as they have been recently, they report the same great jagged hole, which, so far as they can find out, is without bottom. The spring is supposed to be the principal outlet of that beautiful Lake Butler which lies just a mile east of the town. Tidewater comes up into the spring, and it has acquired the name because it was the playground of the silvered king of fish, the tarpon.—Manufacturers' Record.

BATH QUESTION REAL PROBLEM

MUNICIPALITY STRUGGLES WITH THE QUESTION.

New Yorkers Find Bathing a Costly Pleasure These Warm Days.

New York, August 2.—To bathe, or not to bathe, promises to become an important municipal question in this city as a result of the threatened water shortage and the proposal to install meters in all Manhattan buildings and to impose a tax for all water consumed above a certain fixed amount. Mayor Gaynor, who has a supply of original opinions on all questions that arise to vex the popular mind, has gone on record against the proposal to measure the water supply. His view is that the thought of the water meter busily clicking off each gallon consumed would cause the heads of families to become peevish whenever their wives or children took a bath. Apparently his honor holds to the opinion that the daily bath is a habit confined chiefly to the feminine and juvenile elements of the population. On the other hand a distinguished editor has made the assertion that one bath a week should be sufficient to satisfy the most fastidious, and the medical authorities have arisen to a point out that excessive bathing is injurious to the body because it removes the protective covering of the skin and gives reader access to the dangerous microbes that are blown about with the dust of city streets. In support of this position statistics are adduced to show that cases of extreme longevity are almost invariably found among non-bathers. Meanwhile with a daily consumption of 350,000,000 gallons far greater in proportion to its population than that of any other city in the world and greater than the entire Croton watershed can supply if the rainfall sinks below the average, the ordinary citizen is wondering whether civic patriotism compels him to forego his desire for cleanliness. One prolific cause of waste is being ended by orders requiring the repair of all plumbing leaks and the plumbers' wives are planning lavish summer vacations in consequence. The question is not so pressing as it might be otherwise in view of the fact that the severe rainstorms which have surprised the metropolis on 1 of the past 14 days have given most of its inhabitants involuntary and unwelcome baths.

field of Jersey City, C. A. Roysse of Terre Haute, E. L. Kessler of Charlotte, Clay W. Holmes of Elmira, C. Werno of Chicago and P. L. Proffit of Monroe, La. Addison B. Burk, of Philadelphia, is slated for election to the presidency of the league.

MANY ATTEND TO WATER RENT

FIRST PAYMENTS BREAK RECORDS YESTERDAY.

More Give Attention to Rents Than on Any Previous 'First Day.'

Yesterday broke all records of the present administration in the number of water rent bills paid on the first of the month. The reading notices in the city papers reminding the users that the rent is due went a long way towards this improvement in the payments and it is believed that when the 15th of the month arrives that there will be exceptionally few delinquents. Last month the list of delinquents overran all average numbers and the water department is hopeful of getting the accounts well straightened up before the final day of grace in these payments.

Yes, indeed, as usual. The great baseball player's wife had never seen a game, but he finally persuaded her to view one in which he was to play. He was doing his best, of course. One strike had been called on him, and, as usual in baseball anecdotes, two men were out and the bases were full. Our hero was gathering his strength for the swat he was going to give the ball. And the ball came. He knew it was his as the ball started, and with a mighty crack he lifted it into space. Dropping his bat, he sped for first, and ere the roar of applause burst out a slight woman in the grand stand rose and called: "Will, come back here and put that bat where it belongs!"—Buffalo Express.

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Preferred to Be a Quack. A quack at a fair near Paris was driving a roaring trade selling nostrums, drawing teeth and beguiling the crowd in the usual ways, says the British Medical Journal. The letter of the French law against unqualified practice is very strong, though owing to the indifference of the magistrates it is not strictly carried out. This, however, was a particularly flagrant case, and the police felt compelled to intervene. The quack was therefore accosted by the guardians of the law, taken to a tent at the back of his stand and requested to show his diploma. To the stupefaction of the gendarmes he exhibited a perfectly authentic degree of doctor of medicine of the University of Paris. They were profuse in their apologies, which the doctor cut short with an urgent entreaty that they should say nothing about what they had seen, "for," he said, "if the people know that I am a qualified doctor I shall have no more customers."

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then it is seen that each inner edge is a beautiful saw, worked by six separate muscles, so that when withdrawn the instrument rips its way out with a gush of blood. But now comes the most curious provision of all. It would not do to fold up these blades with the blood adhering to them, so each blade is provided at its base with a fine brush of hairs growing out of an oil gland, which provides an antiseptic secretion to keep the blades clean.

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BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION MEETS AT GRAND RAPIDS

Numerous Question of Much Moment Discussed at Meeting.

Grand Rapids, Mich., August 2.—Delegates from every section of the country, and representing a membership of two millions and total assets of about \$800,000,000, were present at the opening here today of the 19th annual convention of the United States League of Local Building and Loan Associations. The opening session this morning, following the welcoming addresses and responses, was devoted to committee appointments and the annual reports of the several officers. These reports showed that the local building and loan associations have, during the past year, shared the general prosperity of the country and have done the largest business in this history.

At the subsequent sessions, which will continue over tomorrow, the league will discuss numerous questions relating to the protection and promotion of building association interests. Heading the list of speakers is Dr. Charles Prasad of Paris, head of the bureau of assurance and social providence of the French government, who will be heard on the subject of "Co-operation as Applied to Home Purposes in Europe." Among the other scheduled speakers are F. N. Penniston of Hancock, Mich., Arthur H. Murdock of Omaha, John C. Butter-

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