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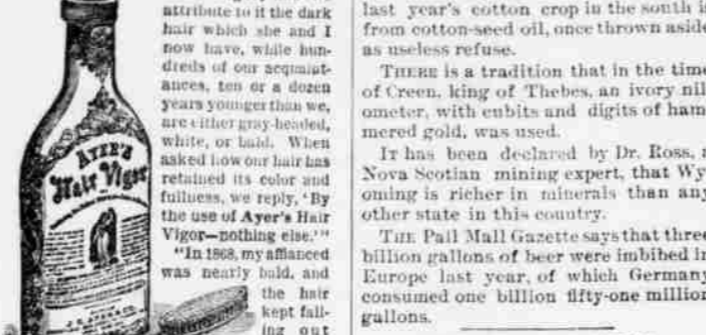
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DECISION ON TITLES.

The Word "National" Must Not Be Used by Private Corporations.

One of the most important of recent events in building and loan circles is the decision of Comptroller Eccles, of the treasury department, regarding the style of associations doing business on what is known as the "national plan." He holds that the use of the word "national" as the part of a title or name of an association is illegal and cites the following statute in support of his position:

"All banks, except national banks, and all persons or corporations doing business as bankers, brokers, or saving

institutions are prohibited from using the word 'national' as a portion of the title of such bank, firm, or corporation, and any violation of this prohibition committed after September 3, 1873, shall constitute a misdemeanor on the part of the offender, and shall be punishable by a fine of fifty dollars a day for each day during which it is repeated."

The question has been referred to the attorney general of the United States for an opinion. If sustained the decision will affect a large percentage of the associations which operate on the national plan.

A SIGN OF MISERY.

Abundance of Obsolete Gold Coins in England.

Anyone who has collected old French or old German coins still in occasional circulation, say the thalers of Frederick the Great, or the forty-franc pieces of the first Napoleon, knows that Berlin and Paris are not the cities to find them in. The capitals have the latest issues from the mint. It is either in remote villages, or in some locality where want asserts itself as a factor in outlay that the old coins come to the monetary surface. Hamburg or Baden or Wiesbaden was the likeliest place in which to find the debased coinage of King Frederick—not lately, but thirty years ago, when the gamester drew them from the stockings.

At this moment a handful of gold pieces at Monte Carlo shows a larger area of sovereignty than a money-changer's entire till in the Palais Royal. Within the last week the same law is asserting itself in London and in the big cities of the north, says the Westminster Gazette. Light gold and obsolete gold is in brisk circulation, and the explanation is not unimportant. Long ago the metropolitan Londoner paid into his bank all his pre-Victorian gold, but the poor are their own bankers and their deposits are their own hoards. The well-worn coins now going about show the breaking up of these long and carefully guarded reserves. It is but one other evidence of the wisdom and the cruelty of the privation by which we are surrounded.

FAMILIAR AT WASHINGTON.

Wilson Bissell is a much larger man than Grover Cleveland. He weighs over three hundred pounds, but he is an able lawyer and a good partner.

PRESIDENT FILLMORE, who was a Buffalonian, took his law partner into his cabinet as postmaster general. Mr. Cleveland, another Buffalonian, did likewise.

EX-SENATOR WILLIAM M. EVARTS has just rounded out three-quarters of a century of life. He is less a tie in the pursuit of his profession than formerly, and spends much of his time at his Vermont farm.

ALISTON ex-President Harrison is probably the most enthusiastic pedestrian that has ever occupied the white house, he is reported to have gained perceptibly in weight during the last four years.

CLEVELAND was the only president to deliver his inaugural address extempore. Fillmore made no inaugural address, but the president to make any political speeches in a foreign tongue. German was used.

MR. BLAINE's fortune had its origin in tracts of land in western Pennsylvania which were left him by his father, who had, in turn, inherited them from the elder James G. Blaine. A tract of coal land near the Monongahela river was the most valuable of these possessions.

DURING the month of November, the last for which figures have been made public, the German army lost one hundred men by death of whom between, or more than one-sixth, committed suicide.

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

BEFORE the Mohammedans took possession of Arabi, nine-tenths of all female children born were immediately buried alive.

NEARLY 10 percent of the yield from last year's cotton crop in the south is from cotton-seed oil, once thrown aside as useless refuse.

THERE is a tradition that in the time of Queen, King of Thebes, an ivory tusk, with curls and digits of hammered gold, was used.

IT has been declared by Dr. Ross, a Nova Scotian mining expert, that Wyoming is richer in minerals than any other state in this country.

THE Pall Mall Gazette says that three billion gallons of beer were imbibed in Europe last year, of which Germany consumed one billion fifty-one million gallons.

EDITORIAL OPINIONS.

A CURIOUS item asserts that Patti sings "Daddy Wouldn't Buy Me a Bow-wow." Good-by, sweetheart, good-by!—N. Y. World.

THERE is a special providence hanging over a bargain-counter. It never seems to know anything about hard times.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

LOOKING into a glass to paint one's face is not wholly a feminine trick. A man looks into a glass to color his nose.—Binghamton Republican.

A WOMAN in Russia washed her hair in petroleum and then lighted a cigarette. Her widower will hesitate before striking another match.—N. Y. World.

THE West Indian migratory crab is the only creature that is born in the sea, matures in fresh waters and passes its adult life on land. Once a year these creatures migrate in thousands from the uplands of Jamaica, deposit their larvae in the sea, then migrate to the rivers and streams, pass through a fresh water stage, after which they follow their parents to land until the time comes for them to return to the sea to lay their eggs.

POPULAR SCIENCE.

The earth, traveling at the rate of 1,900 miles a minute, passes through 550,000,000 miles of space in the course of the year.

In a square inch of the human scalp the hairs number about 1,000, and the whole number on an adult scalp is about 120,000.

PETROLEUM, by a course of experiments made by the Prussian government, has proven a reliable scale precursor in steam boilers.

IN India 25,000,000 acres are made fruitful by irrigation. In Egypt there are about 6,000,000 acres, and in Europe about 5,000,000. The United States has about 4,000,000 acres of irrigated lands.

TAKING the earth as the center of the universe and the polar star as the limit of our vision, the visible universe embraces an aerial space with a diameter of 420,000,000 miles and a circumference of 1,329,742,000,000 miles.

ALBIONISTS cannot rise much above five miles of vertical height on account of the increasing rarity of the air, but double that height has been attained by self-registering balloons, which tell us that some ninety degrees of frost prevail up there.

EUROPEAN WAGES.

TEACHERS in Hamburg receive from \$11 to \$28 per month.

BOOKKEEPERS in Germany receive from \$300 to \$500 a year.

A TAILOR in Turkey, if a skilled hand, can command \$3.97 per week.

RAILROAD clerks in Germany are paid an average of 53 cents a day.

SWITZERLAND in Saxony consider themselves well paid with \$178 a year.

A FEMALE tailor-maker in France is fortunate if she makes \$1.16 per week.

BUILDERS in London receive 25 shillings a week and work fifty-two hours.

ERRAND handlers on the Prussian railroads make an average of 52 cents a day.

IN 1890 female laborers in Italy received 2 cents a day and a portion of food.

The wages of female servants in Prussia range from \$14.25 to \$71.40 per year of males, \$25 to \$35.20.

The lowest wages in Europe are paid in Italy.

A baker there makes \$4 per week, a tailor \$4.50, a painter \$5.

HERRMANS in England receive an average of 3 shillings a week as wages, together with their food and lodgings.

A LITTLE MISCELLANY.

Eight cubic feet of snow produce one cubic foot of water.

The Sicilian sulphur deposits employ eighteen thousand miners.

SHAGREEN, Osaka, claims to have a dwarf thirty-six years old who is only seventeen inches in height.

In ancient history is to be taken as an authority, Phylaxius, of Crotona, could clear fifty-six feet at one "standing broad jump."

The Roman ns, or libra, was a pound weight of copper or brass stamped by the state. It was oblong like a brick, and was not struck by cast.

In France large quantities of charcoal are made from seaweed. Twenty tons of fresh seaweed or four tons of dry weed produce one ton of charcoal.

WORKMEN boring an artesian well in Louisiana struck a maple log in a sound state of preservation five hundred and forty feet below the surface.

An ordinary elephant produces one hundred and twenty pounds of ivory.

Two exhibition tusk in London weigh one hundred and sixty-two and one hundred and seventy-three pounds respectively.

RIPPLES.

DISKS—"Was Smith's purpose of whipping the nation, carried out?" "No, but Smith was"—Buffalo Courier.

The hutsman who brings home the antlers proves that he has been able to get a head of the game.—Elmira Gazette.

"How are you getting along learning to operate your typewriter?" "First rate. I can almost read some of the things I write."—Chicago Record.

"What's the population of this town?" "Six hundred and seventy-nine." "How many candidates for office?" "Six hundred and seventy-nine."—Atlanta Constitution.

MRS. PLYABOT—"What is your husband's politics?" Mrs. Gofrequent—"I really don't know. He never carries anything of a political nature in any of his pockets."—Chicago Tribune.

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