

CAPITAL'S OMNIBUSES GONE.

Only One of the Gayly Painted Vehicles of 1862 Extant in Washington.

"A great many people have asked me what became of the old omnibuses which, in the days from 1853 to 1869, before Pennsylvania avenue was paved, and prior to the advent of the horse car, used to haul a monopoly of the passenger and transfer business at the capital," said a second-hand vehicle dealer, according to a Washington report. "In those days the city was as full of omnibuses as it is now of trolley cars, and old residents have often wondered what became of those gaudy, gayly painted concerns, capable of holding 40 people. When the street cars took their places they were torn up for the material in them, until by 1885 there was just one out of the several hundred left standing in an old stable outside the city. There it remained, neglected and forgotten, until the Spanish-American war, when a local drayage and transfer firm heard of it, and purchased it for a song.

"The firm used it to carry passengers, soldiers, officers and visitors between the city and Falls church and Camp Alger. It was a lucky hit, for the old omnibus is to-day the largest vehicle in the city, and will accommodate 52 people. Finding it of considerable use, the firm, at the end of the war with Spain, decided to keep it and since then has used it for small picnic parties. It is out every Decoration day, carrying passengers to Arlington, and reminding the old veterans of the good old days of 1862. It is the last relic of the omnibus period of Washington civilization, and to-day the largest thing on wheels in the capital."

NEVER GROW OLD.

Parts of the Physical System Which Never Wear Out.

In his work on the senile heart Dr. Balfour tells us that there are two parts of the human organism which, if wisely used, "largely escape senile failure." These two, says the Medical Record, are the brain and the heart. Persons who think have often wondered why brain workers, great statesmen and others, should continue to work with almost unimpaired mental activity and energy up to a period when most of the organs and functions of the body are in a condition of advanced senile decay. There is a physiological reason for this, and Dr. Balfour tells us what it is. The normal brain, he affirms, "remains vigorous to the last," and that "because its nutrition is especially provided for." About middle life, or a little later, the general arteries of the body begin to lose their elasticity and to slowly but surely dilate. They become, therefore, much less efficient carriers of the nutrient blood to the capillary areas. But this is not the case with the internal carotids, which supply the capillary areas of the brain. On the contrary, these large vessels, "continue to retain their pristine elasticity, so that the blood pressure remains normally higher than within the capillary area of any other organ in the body. The cerebral blood paths being thus kept open, the brain tissue is kept better nourished than the other tissues of the body."

RENTING STUFFED ANIMALS.

Merchants in the City Use Them to Make a Display in the Holiday Season.

The trade in stuffed animals gets brisker with the approach of the holiday season. "I don't mean by that," said a William street taxidermist, according to the New York Times, "that we are selling more of them. We are not. We never do sell stuffed beasts in herds at this time of the year, but our renting list swells prodigiously. People whose business requires them to use stuffed animals and bird as an advertisement generally want an extra duck or dog or bear added to their stock for a month or two preceding and following Christmas. A trademark of this kind of good quality costs anywhere from \$5 to \$75 and as those that are used merely as 'supers' are needed only a few months in the year, it is cheaper to rent them than buy them outright. Almost every merchant in town, of high or low degree, makes an extra splurge at this season by exhibiting a polar bear or some other festive animal, consequently our rentals amount to a rather nice income. Some seasons we do a pretty thriving business with theatrical companies, also, but this year the drama seems to have become too realistic to rely on stuffed art for its effects, and our orders for property fowls and quadrupeds have been few."

Just for the Sight of Blood.

Every bull killed in a Mexican bull fight is allowed to gore two horses if he will. The Mexicans love the sight of blood and applaud frantically when the poor horses are torn open. The horses used for the purpose are a most miserable lot. The owner gets three dollars in Mexican money for each horse sent into the ring and \$12 additional if the animal is killed. A Mexican dollar is worth about 55 cents in American money.

Always reliable—The Weekly Oregonian.

FOR THE CHILDREN

A Great Trick in Figures.

A trick in figures that is always mystifying to those who are not acquainted with its secret is the five line addition. Ask some one to put five figures in a row. Suppose that he puts these five down, 21968.

Then you will place on another piece of paper these figures, 221966, but don't show this to any one as yet. Ask some one else to place five figures beneath the first five. Say he jots down 31780. Then you put down 68219. Another in the party puts down, say, 22774. You finish with 77225. The sum with its answer as added will be:

21968
21780
68219
22774
77225
221966

Produce your paper and show the answer as you had made it after the first five figures were set down. The way to do the trick is: Place the figure 2 before the first of the five figures submitted and subtract 2 from the final figure. When two rows have been submitted add to the second row figures that will add up to 9, as in the example:

31780
68219
99999

Do the same thing with the fourth and fifth rows. The answer will be invariably correct if care is taken.

Author of Familiar Hymns.

Sarah Flower Adams of England wrote "Nearer, My God, to Thee." She was a well known literary woman of her time. She died in 1849.

Rev. Dr. Muhlenberg wrote the well known hymn "I Would Not Live Always."

In 1819 Reginald Heber, son-in-law of the great divine, Dr. Shipley, wrote in less than an hour the beautiful hymn "From Greenland's Icy Mountains."

On the day of his conversion, May 21, 1738, it is said Charles Wesley wrote "Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing." He was converted while ill with pleurisy.

Sir John Bowring, scholar, member of parliament and governor of Hongkong, was the author of two well known and popular hymns, "Watchman, Tell Us of the Night," and "In the Cross of Christ I Glory."

What Can a Boy Do?

This is what a boy can do, because boys have done it:

He can write a great poem. Alexander Pope wrote his famous "Ode to Solitude" when he was only twelve years old.

He can write a great book. Macaulay wrote his first volume, "The Primitiae," which took the literary world by storm, before he was in his teens.

He can write a successful play. John O'Keefe, the famous Irish actor and playwright, wrote a play that is considered good today when he was only fifteen.

He can enter a great university before he is thirteen. William Pitt did it.

Eagles Mate but Once.

The married life of most birds could be taken for a model even by members of the human family. There is, for instance, the staid, dignified and homely baldheaded eagle—the glorious emblem of the American republic. He mates but once and lives with his one mate until he or she dies. If left a widower—even a young widower—the baldheaded eagle never mates again. He remains alone and disconsolate in the nest on the rocky crag or in the branches of a tall pine that formed his domicile while his mate was alive. No other female eagle can tempt him to forsake his disconsolate life. With him, once a widower, always a widower.

Don'ts For Boys and Girls.

Don't lose your temper because it rains on a day when you have planned for an outing. The elements cannot postpone work, but you can postpone pleasure.

Don't risk meeting with accident to prove yourself brave. Many persons are seriously hurt through foolhardiness and a desire to "show off."

Don't laugh nor talk loudly in public places nor in any way attract undue attention. It is vulgar to force oneself on the notice of others.

Don't grow old too rapidly. The world is sweeter in youth than old age.

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STEERS—\$3 50@2 75 per hundred.

VEAL—Dressed, 6c per pound.

SHEEP—\$3 50@4 00.

HOGS—Live, 5½c@5c; dressed, 6c@7c per pound.

Unjustly Accused.

"Uncle Jason, I was told that you were seen to enter Colonel Ridgley's henhouse at 1 o'clock last night, take two of the fattest hens he had, put them in a sack and leave in a hurry over the back fence."

"Fo' God, Mistah Jenkins, I swar I nebbah did no sech thing! You sho' do dis niggah an infestice! Lawd, Lawd, what flars—scusin' some white gem-man tol' you, sah—folks! Mistah Jenkins, I hopes I'll die ef I went neah dat back fence! I walked right outen de gate!"—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Under Both Flags.

Not long ago at a Confederate campfire in New York an elderly man approached General Wheeler, who was the guest of honor.

"I want to shake hands with you, general," he said, putting out the only one he had.

"Gray or blue?" laughed the general, grasping it promptly.

"Both," was the reply. "I fought with you under the stars and bars, and my two boys fought with you under the stars and stripes."—New York Press.

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Morrow county has thousands of head of sheep, horses and cattle. The wool production for 1904 was 2,500,000 pounds. Alfalfa and fruit growing are profitable industries, rapidly growing in importance. The county has also a great coal field, soon to be developed.

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