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THE NEW CHARTER

As there has been considerable discussion pro and con relative to the city charter to be voted on at the election next Monday, the writer has been at some trouble to correctly inform himself regarding it. The statement has been made by some that this charter would open up the old city extension fight, which is absurd from the fact that the city limits are clearly defined in Section 2, page 6. Others have stated that certain sections were crossed out in the books which were delivered to them, but that the copy which was voted on would be different.

In the first place, there were a large number of charter books left on hand after the vote on the charter two years ago, and by crossing out and eliminating certain sections, these books were used this time to save the expense of having them reprinted, thus saving the city about \$150.00. Regarding the second contention, the writer took his copy of the charter and compared it with the one on file in the City Recorder's office, which is the copy that will become effective if the amendment carries.

By referring to your charter you will find that sections which are penciled are Sec. 6, Sec. 45 and paragraph 6 of Sec. 61. This latter was called the joker in the charter when it was voted on before, and as the objectionable part has been eliminated, this cause of opposition to the charter, which it was claimed defeated it two years ago, has been removed.

Some of our Catholic friends took offense at the article in the Pie Eater's items last week regarding the Menace. The News does not wish to antagonize the Catholics or any other denomination, as they all have a right to their own opinions, so hereafter we will not publish anything at which members of any church might take exception. Country correspondents will please make a note of this.

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Paganini Was a Nervous Wreck After a Night of Concert Work.

The following account of Italy's greatest violinist, Paganini, is condensed from the article which appeared in a London newspaper in 1851:

"He has long legs and arms, and his hands in his playing often assume the attitude of prayer, with the fingers pointing upward. After a piece by the orchestra he entered upon his celebrated performance on a single string, introducing the air of 'Nel cor piu sento,' in which he imparted a tone so plaintive and desolate that the heart was torn by it. In the midst of this he was so out of control (so comic) as to occasion the loudest bursts of laughter. This feat was uproariously encored. He then retired to put on the three other strings and ended this miraculous performance with the richest arpeggi and echoes, intermingled with new effects, that no language can describe. Though he withdrew amid a confusion of huzzas and bravos that completely drowned the full orchestra, yet he was called for to receive the homage of the audience and was so affected that he would have dropped had he not been supported by Lablache and Costa.

"There was no trick to his playing. It was all fair, scientific execution, opening to us a new order of sounds, the highest of which ascended two octaves above C in alt. With a weak organization Paganini is one of the most forcible examples of the almost superhuman strength which results from the exaltation of the mind produced by genius. When he seizes the violin it seems that a star descends upon him and inspires him with fire from heaven. He instantly loses his weakness. A new existence opens to him; he is another creature, and during the musical action his strength is more than quintupled. After having performed a concerto his symptoms are those of a man under an attack of epilepsy. His livid and cold skin is covered with a profuse perspiration, his pulse is scarcely to be felt, and when questioned on any subject he answers only in monosyllables. The night after his concert he never sleeps and continues in an agitation which sometimes lasts for two or three days."

Almanacs.

It is still contended by many authorities that the almanac of 1457 was the first specimen of printing, and it has been variously credited to Gutenberg, Schoeffer and Pfister of Bamberg. Dr. Faustus, celebrated in legend, whose strange story has been immortalized by Marlowe and Goethe, was the accredited author of almanacs containing astrological signs (retained at the present day) and necromantic secrets.

The Other Party.

"I want you to put in your 'Lost and Found' column an advertisement like this: 'Wallet containing a considerable sum of money and papers. Finder will keep money; return papers.'"

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