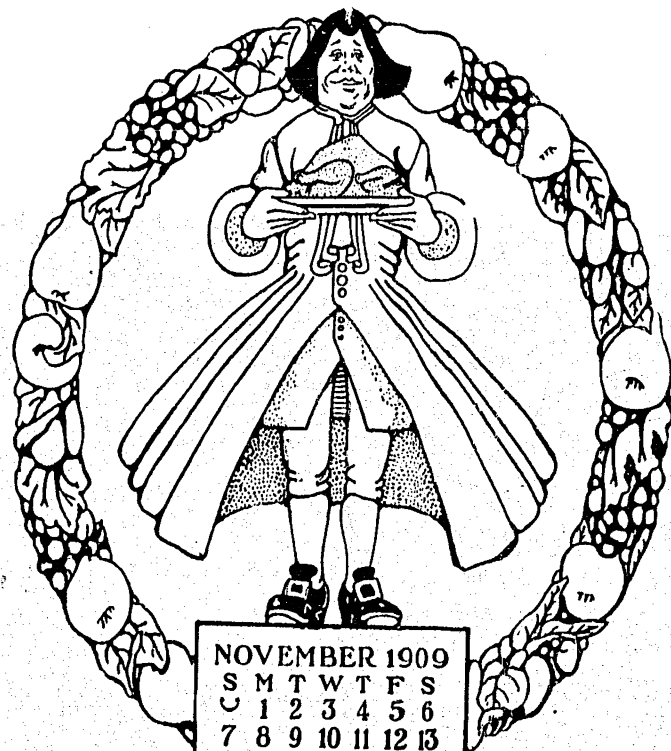
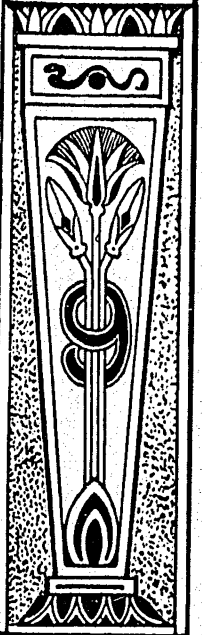


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Bad Arithmetic.

Some of the members seem a bit confused in their minds concerning the amount necessary to cover two years' dues. In remitting for one year's dues, the correct amount (\$1.65) is usually sent. But when a man undertakes to pay two years' dues, he frequently sends \$2.65 instead of \$3.30. This seems rather an odd mistake, but a surprising number of our members, through inadvertence, make just that error. Also in remitting for buttons, pins, brooches, etc., a mistake often is made and the amount sent falls short. The members are requested to give such matters a little more thought, to the end that their checks shall be made out for the correct amount.

For the Good of the Order.

As has been widely advertised throughout the country, a meeting of officers and lay members will be held at Chicago November 17 and 18 to consider ways and means looking to the forwarding of the Order's interests. As this issue of The Bulletin will go to press before the date of the meeting, it will be impossible for it to contain the report of the proceedings, but same will be given wide publicity in the lumber papers. At this writing (November 8) there appears to be good prospects for a large attendance at the Chicago meeting and it is hoped that the deliberations of the delegates will result in much practical good for Hoo-Hoo.

ARE YOU ONE OF THE PROMPT?

At midnight on September 9 dues for the Hoo-Hoo year ending September 9, 1910, became due and payable. You have all the year in which to pay, but until your remittance is received 1910 card cannot be issued, and without this card you will not be admitted to concatenations except upon payment made to the officer in authority.

If you have 1910 card, this notice does not touch you; if you have not such a card, consider if it is not better to mail a check now for \$1.65 and have the matter off your mind. Hundreds of our members have come to pay promptly without awaiting a formal notice. Are you one of these?

While about it see if you have a 1909 card; if you have not your check should be for \$3.30. Make check payable to

J. H. BAIRD, Scrivenoter,
Nashville, Tenn.

The Committee on Constitution and By-laws, and Legislation, being of like nature, have united and recommend that the submitted addition of Section 6 to Article VIII be published permanently on the editorial page of the Hoo-Hoo Bulletin, in bold face type. In addition, the Scrivenoter shall notify each member by letter of this addition to above article.

G. W. SCHWARTZ,
C. P. IVES,
E. H. DALBEY,
J. H. CARMICHAEL,
A. F. SHARPE,
HOUSE OF ANCIENTS.

Add to Article VIII, Section 6, to read as follows:

The serving of intoxicating liquors at any "Session-on-the-Roof" or in or around the place of meeting, or the initiation of any candidate under the perceptible influence of liquor, is absolutely prohibited, and it is the duty of the officer in charge to see that this section is enforced.

Any Hoo-Hoo refusing to obey the mandate of the officer in charge is subject to expulsion from the Order on no further evidence than the signed statement of the officer acting for the Order where the offense occurred.

Coming Concatenations.

Vicegerent T. H. Calhoun has fixed November 26 as the date for a concatenation at Waycross, Ga. Some days ago he announced that he had a class of twelve, with prospects for more.

Vicegerent J. M. Swetman will hold a concatenation at Kentwood, La., November 20. He expects to have a large crowd from New Orleans and thinks the class of kittens will number at least twenty-five.

This issue of The Bulletin contains some extremely interesting letters from members throughout the country. It is just such communications as these that give our official organ the human element that it needs and should always have—the personal touch which makes it different from all other publications. The Bulletin should be a club room, so to speak, where all the members are welcome to come and put their feet on the mantel and say what they think. The Bulletin is not a medium for the setting forth of the views and opinions of the editor. It is to be hoped, therefore, that no member will "be backward about coming forward." The Bulletin is the lodge where all may meet. Moreover it is the duty of every good Hoo-Hoo to do all he can to help make the paper interesting.

One does not always remember that the first Spanish settlements in South America antedated the first English settlements in North America by nearly a hundred years and that when the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth there were already cities in South America that could boast of a longer history than Chicago can today. When Harvard, our oldest university, was only an idea in the minds of a few English colonists, the University of San Marcos in Peru was a well established institution already older than Cornell is today. When Cornell celebrates her hundredth anniversary, the University of San Marcos, still flourishing, will be getting ready to celebrate her four hundredth. When Yale was founded this ancient university of Lima was already 131 years old, or about the same age that Columbia is today.

NOTES & COMMENTS



It is meet and proper that the rest-time of the year should be also the thanks-time of the year—by a happy coincidence, Thanksgiving Day comes in November, the month of garnered harvests, of hazy "Indian summer" days and clear, sparkling, frosty nights. Who was it that first spoke of "drear November?" He must have been an inhabitant of some bleak clime far from the favored spot where these lines are being written—yesterday I saw people walking the streets of Nashville with sunshades held over them, and through the open window now I see the hills, gorgeous in Autumnal foliage, outlined against a soft blue sky. Never has the country seemed so beautiful. A thousand radiant tints gleam in the woodland as the breeze rustles through the leaves. One almost smiles at what the New England poet said of Autumn:

"The melancholy days have come,
The saddest of the year,
Of naked woods and walling winds,
And meadows brown and sere."

Our woods in Tennessee are not naked yet—they are clothed in flaming reds and yellows, deep orange, gray-green and purplish brown. Our meadows are not sere—rather are they a rippling mass of dull violet and smoke-gray, a wonderful blending of soft, dim hues. A fair land truly—beautiful at all seasons, but most charming in these golden Autumn days, "when the frost is on the pumpkin and the corn is in the shock."

From time to time ever since the last annual meeting the Scrivenoter's office has received letters from members expressing approval of the measure passed at Hot Springs whereby intoxicants are eliminated from the Session-on-the-Roof. Some of these letters are published herewith, as indication of the general trend of sentiment in the Order:

Onalaska, Texas. . . . Think the idea of doing away with booze at concatenations is a good thing, and one that I believe will be of great help in the moral welfare of Hoo-Hoo. (No. 15129.)

Ohio, November 1, 1909—I became so disgusted with a concatenation held in . . . about two years ago that I fully decided never to pay any more dues, but since the change in Constitution, I have changed my mind. (No. —.)

Willow Lakes, S. D., November 2, 1909—Am heartily in favor of addition to Article VIII, Section 6. (No. 16090.)

Muskegon, Mich., November 3, 1909—I am thoroughly in favor of the addition to Article VIII, Section 6. (No. 41.)

Office of Maas-Nelmeyer Lumber Company, Indianapolis, Ind., October 30, 1909— . . . I am heartily in favor of the rule adopted at the last annual pertaining to the Sessions-on-the-Roof, and look to this one thing as doing a great deal of good gradually. Yours fraternally,
GEORGE L. MAAS.

Cleveland, Ohio, November 1, 1909—I am very much pleased to note the addition to Article VIII, Section 6. I have frequently refrained from attending meetings in various cities, owing to the fact that intoxicating liquors were served as part of the programme. If this rule is strictly enforced, I think it will do much toward raising Hoo-Hoo to a higher plane. (No. 3702.)

Kansas City, Mo., October 5, 1909—The addition to Article VIII, Section 6, is good, and I hope it will be enforced. Too many good concatenations have been spoiled by a number of the boys forgetting themselves. Fraternally yours,
T. J. BENNETT (No. 3388).

Hildreth, Neb., October 2, 1909— . . . I congratulate the delegates for their action at the annual conv . . . in cutting out booze from concatenations. The use of . . . such times has brought more reproach upon our beloved Order than anything else, and has been the means of keeping many good lumbermen from joining our ranks. Yours truly,
R. M. TRUMBULL (No. 8880).

Tylertown, Miss., October 30, 1909—I am in favor of no booze at any concatenation. (No. 6117.)

Valdosta, Ga., October 23, 1909—Glad to see addition to Article VIII, Section 6. C. M. KILJIAN.

Westlake, La., November 1, 1909—This is the best legislation ever enacted, and in my opinion will be the biggest boost the Order ever had. R. KRAUSE (No. 6376).

Philadelphia, Pa., October 2, 1909—I am glad to note the progressive spirit shown at last annual. Surely the amendment to Constitution and By-laws is highly commendable. May it always stay there. Fraternally,
(No. 16765).

Chicago, Ill., October 29, 1909—This is one of the best things I have seen in years. I am not absolutely a total abstainer but I think this is one of the best rules possible. It will add greatly to the proper amusement and greatly reduce the improper or injurious amusement at concatenations. WIRT W. HALLAM.

Blenville, La.—I think we all should see that the amendment to Article VIII is carried out. Whiskey is keeping almost all our good Christian men out of our Order. It is disgusting to many members and looks very bad to others. (No. 14458.)

Office of The Wilson Lumber Company, Elkins, W. Va., November 1, 1909— . . . I am always glad to hear of advances in the way of improving conditions of the Order, and was very glad indeed to learn of the recent order to prohibit serving intoxicants at the concatenations. M. NEY WILSON.

Louisville, Ky.—I observe with no small degree of pleasure and satisfaction the addition to By-laws adopted by Committee on Legislation. The proper enforcement of this clause will have a most salutary effect for the good of the Order, and the abuses causing its adoption were eating the very heart of the organization, and operating directly contrary to the Order's intentions. Respectfully,
(No. 16248.)

Meta, Mo.— . . . I think it a very good plan to eliminate the liquor at the initiation. A. J. BOND (No. 18676).

Warrensburg, Mo.—I personally thank the Committee on Constitution and By-laws and Legislation for their action on the serving of liquors, etc., for it will surely raise the standard of our Order 100 per cent. W. J. CLARK (No. 11895).

Forrest City, Ark.— . . . I think the plan adopted at the last meeting one of the best things we have ever done—to prohibit drinking at our concatenations.

JAMES O. EWART (No. 20211).

Los Angeles, Cal., October 13, 1909—I notice from the report of the annual concatenation that the Order has amended the Constitution so as to forbid the use of intoxicating liquors at concatenations and at the banquets. I wish to congratulate you all on this action. It certainly will tend to raise the standard of the Order, and is in line with the modern idea that people are tired of the incessant use of intoxicating liquors on any and all occasions. It tends to give another body-blow to the idea that it is not possible to have a good time without getting drunk.

It may not be out of place to add that I am not a crank on the prohibition idea, but it certainly gives me the "tired feeling" to see some business men still yielding to the old-fashioned custom of pouring liquors into themselves and insisting on their friends doing the same, turn about, while all the time not one in the party cares for any liquor or enjoys drinking it. Anyhow, whether people still continue to treat and drink, there is no reason why any fraternal order should continue to stuff itself in allowing such things in connection with its meetings.

Our Order having its principal motive to further "Health, Happiness and Long Life" among its members, it looks well and is well, that one of the greatest enemies to each one of the above mentioned objects should be condemned officially in the Constitution.

Fraternally yours,

CHAS. L. BATCHELLER.

Binghamton, N. Y., October 11, 1909—Dear Brother Baird: The September number of The Bulletin is at hand and I have read it all in detail. As usual, it was full of Hoo-Hoo news, and, without exception, I think it one of the best edited magazines in the country which I know anything about.

I was glad to note the discussion in regard to the use of the emblem for advertising purposes and the few they took of it. Some time ago I used it on my business letter head, not for the sake of getting business through its agency, as the fact that I was proud that I was a Hoo-Hoo. A little later the thought came to me that some of our membership might think I was making a wrong use of the emblem, so did not use it but the once. Looking at it from the standpoint of the good of the Order I do not think it should be used in any connection that will tend to cheapen it in the eyes of our members or those who may choose to become members later.

I think the Tablet at Gordon is a thing of beauty and will be something of which all our membership will be justly proud as long as we live. We are also proud of the men who made Hoo-Hoo possible and who explained its meaning so fully and beautifully as did A. C. Ramsey and W. E. Barns. The Order will always mean more to me after reading their explanations of the emblems on the Tablet. I felt a great degree of pride in the men who made up the original membership of six and of the personnel of those who attended the annual this year, especially so of those who were elected to fill the offices of the present year. So long as such men as A. B. Johnson, A. C. Ramsey, W. E. Barns and our newly elected Supreme Snark Mr. W. A. Hadley are standing at the head of the Order its membership need never fear that the Order will ever lose in character or that its standard will be lowered or its colors ever trail in the dust. Annals of the Order of Hoo-Hoo are more like family reunions than like anything else they can be compared to. The membership is so widely scattered that when they do meet it is with glad hearts and hearty handshakes in the common joy of meeting again. Some of our membership (only a few I am happy to say) seem to think these meetings are similar to firemen's parade day and are to be celebrated in like manner, but if they will read the discussion of Section 6, Article VIII, especially the speeches of W. E. Barns and A. C. Ramsey, on page 24, column 2, the last few sentences, they will have my sentiments and those who voted to abolish liquors of all kinds on such public occasions. I do think that if all kinds of liquor are prohibited from the table at these banquets it will discourage those who come there only for a "high old time" and tend to fill the convention with a better class of members and the banquet table with a happy and orderly crowd.

Referring to the question raised as to how to increase the attendance at the conventions and business meetings: As is the first I am sure there are many loyal Hoo-Hoo (of which I count myself one and back up the statement by enclosing my check for \$1.65 to pay my dues one year in advance) who would attend if their business would allow of their absence. I do not think changing the date will make a particle of difference, and I am glad you voted down good and plenty any change from the original date of September 9. The only suggestion I would have on this point would be in naming a city in which to hold the annual would be to keep in mind the distance the loyal ones would have to cover and make it as central as possible for the greatest number. I was greatly in hopes Nashville would be chosen, for I could get away to attend there.

Personally I am very fond of male quartette voices, and I am confident that if such a quartette could be organized and attend the meetings and sing during any recess, and at the close of business meetings, it would keep the crowd there, especially so if all members were given tickets when they entered before the business meeting began and not allow any one in who came late without a reasonable excuse or who retired during the meetings expecting to return to hear the singing after the business meeting was over. Such should forfeit their tickets and pay to get in. This is purely a suggestion and given in the interest of Hoo-Hoo.

Thanking you for such a full and complete report of the convention and for the prompt arrival of every number of The Bulletin, which I always read through, and feeling more pride than ever that I am one of your honored members, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J. D. ROUNDS (No. 12173).

I am just in receipt of your circular letter of the 20th inst. advising of the addition to Art. VIII, Sec. 6, and wish to say that I consider this about the wisest stunt that the House of Ancients could have pulled off. Personally, I am not a prohibition crank, but I believe that conditions had come to demand this action. It was especially called to mind by the disgusting notice of the concatenation held at ——— this year. I first noticed this announcement in a lumber journal, and it appeared also in the next issue of The Bulletin. In the aforesaid announcement it was especially mentioned, not less than four times, "that Hotel ——— was wet."

You doubtless recall the announcement and trust that this rather frank expression of my personal feelings will cause no offense. I will say further that this circular letter inspires me to pay my dues for two years for which you will find check enclosed. (No. ———)

Dallas, Texas, October 20, 1909—The amendment to Article VIII, Section 6 is a good one. (No. 20408.)

Concerning the addition to Article VIII, Section 6, a brother in Canada writes as follows:

I am in receipt of your circular letter of October 20, giving the change made by the House of Ancients, whereby we are not allowed to have any intoxicants at the "Session-on-the-Roof." Are we to understand that this is to cut out beer, as well as the stronger liquors? If so, I, for one, want to enter a mighty strong protest. Personally I have never been in favor of having anything stronger than beer served, and at my concatenations, held in Minneapolis, I never allowed anything stronger; but one of the most pleasant features of the whole thing, at the "Session-on-the-Roof," is the having of the beer with its enlivening qualities. This is only the opinion of one, but I believe you will find that thousands of others feel the same as I do in regard to this, and, if possible, I would like to have this matter brought up in a public way to get the opinion of the majority of the members.

Princeton, Mo., October 27, 1909— . . . Addition to Article VIII, Section 6 is O. K. Should have been done long ago. (No. 20588.)

W. Va., November 3, 1909—A few days since certificate of my appointment as delegate to attend the Chicago conference on the "Good of the Order," to be held November 17-18, was received. Since then I have been absent more or less, and as much as I would like to be present and meet you, personally, and join with the brothers in general, it is utterly impossible for me to do so.

I am heartily in accord with this movement, and in the strongest way do I endorse the action taken at the Annual Meeting, with regard to the use of intoxicants at concatenations, and only wish it was possible for me to be present to say a word with this respect at the conference.

(No. 11787.)

Toronto, Ont., Canada, November 1, 1909—I have your favor enclosing my appointment as delegate to the meeting to be held in Chicago on the 17th and 18th inst. I regret to have to state that business engagements at that time will prevent me being present. I trust there will be a good turnout and the meeting fruitful in good results. I have to congratulate the Order on the amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the use of intoxicants at "Sessions-on-the-Roof." I regard the undue use of intoxicants as having done the Order more harm than all other influences combined. While I am not a "crank" on the subject, I am fully convinced that no institution for beneficent purposes can be built up these days upon a basis of strong drinks. With all good wishes, I am,

Yours fraternally,

J. L. CAMPBELL (No. 6215).

Walls, Texas, October 30, 1909 . . . The Order is to be congratulated upon the stand they have taken in cutting out booze. The writer has been present at several concatenations and some of them have been disgusting. There is no question now but that the Order will improve and grow from now on and their membership will be on a higher plane. With best wishes for the success of Hoo-Hoo and yourself, I am,

Yours fraternally,

W. S. GUYLER (No. 19325).

Indianola, Iowa—I for one am glad to see Hoo-Hoo cutting the liquor out of their programmes. Let the good work go on. E. C. HARLAN (No. 17239).

Marshall, N. C., Glad to know that booze has been cut out of concatenations. It will help the Order. (No. 12521).

Birmingham, Ala., November 1, 1909—Your favor of October 20 is just received, and I hasten to express my delight at its joyous contents. It was a noble and commendable act of the House of Ancients to prohibit the serving of intoxicating liquors in and around all Hoo-Hoo sessions, and sincerely hope the officers in charge, as well as all members in attendance at future concatenations will manifest a like respect for the "cats and kittens" and keep this "crime breeding drink" from the premises.

I am glad to see the rapid growth of the Order, and especially pleased to see that the moral upbuilding is receiving due and just attention. I am pleased to enclose my check for \$1.65 for 1910 dues, and do so more willingly than ever before.

Yours respectfully,

W. E. EWART (No. 13810).

Lake Charles, La.— . . . I most sincerely approve of the committee's action relative to Article VIII, Section 6. (No. 16660).

Childers, Texas— . . . Want to commend the suppression of intoxicants at concatenations. It will certainly improve our morals and our reputation.

B. B. BATES (No. 19202).

Ashville, N. C.—This is a step in the right direction. Eliminate whiskey and those who drink it to excess. Have men understand that we want quality, and not quantity. Too many undesirables are being admitted to the Order.

GEORGE A. MURRAY (No. 4189).

Williamsport, Pa.— . . . Glad to see addition to Article VIII, Section 6. H. S. BEST (No. 22254).

Glenwood, Fla.—I am very glad indeed they have cut the booze out of concatenations as that had become very disgusting and kept many away from the meetings.

J. B. CONRAD (No. 8100).

East Cleveland, Ohio— . . . The resolution referred to in your letter of October 20 is perfectly proper and should have the undivided support of all good Hoo-Hoo. (No. 5079).

Coffeyville, Kas.— . . . I think the prohibition clause in Section 6 Article VIII a good move in the right direction, notwithstanding you didn't ask my opinion. (No. 6291).

Rocky Ford, Colo.— . . . I am in favor of the addition to Article VIII, Section 6. It's a step in the right direction.

Yours truly,

F. J. CRETCHER (No. 13807).

Williamsport, Pa.— . . . I heartily endorse the action taken by the last Annual Meeting in making the addition to Article VIII, Section 6. This is one of the best, if not the best, steps ever taken by the Order and I feel sure that it has the endorsement of all good Hoo-Hoo.

Fraternally yours,

O. C. SHEAFFER (No. 13730).

Plainview, Neb.—Bully for Hoo-Hoo for adding the resolution to Article VIII. (No. 3056).

St. Louis, Mo.— . . . God bless the committee that amended Article VIII, Section 6. J. B. M. (No. 11624).

New Castle, Pa.—Your addition to Article VIII, Section 6, meets with my hearty approval. (No. 11407).

Eldora, Iowa— . . . Liquor article meets my approval 1100 per cent. (No. 2700).

Mystic, Ga.— . . . I am heartily in favor of the new addition to the By-laws of the Order as to serving liquor at the sessions on the roof.

Fraternally yours,

I. B. VINTON (No. 6986).

Ridgeform, Ill., October 30, 1909—I am indeed very glad to note the addition to Article VIII, Section 6.

I have no time for booze or booze fighters. I have attended some concatenations that were almost equal to a low dive saloon high rolling. There were five or six full of booze at the ——— meeting last February. Several years ago at ——— one of the candidates was so full of booze they had to carry him around during the concatenation. I like decent fun which can be had with plenty of spice in it without the low-down language and inferences.

I enclose another year's dues hoping the undesirable things that have no place in our Order may be left on the outside where they belong. (No. 14006).

Seattle, Wash., October 22, 1909—Enclosed you will find check which, I trust, will keep the plant running until some one else remembers that you have something coming.

I wish to voice my appreciation of the action taken at the Annual to restrict the use of "joy water" at concatenations. While I am not a "prohib" I believe that on a big occasion and with the encouragement of others a lot of young fellows are led to imagine that a head capable of standing a lot of booze is necessarily full of brains, while it is a known fact that two substances cannot occupy the same space at the same time and therefore the reverse of the above imagining must be true. Q. B. D. I think the change is a good thing and believe that it will attract to our midst a lot of men who have been somewhat shy of us more on account of the general opinion of the "On-the-Roof" than for any other reason.

The Hoo-Hoo House has awakened more interest in the Order than anything I know about. My various friends whom we were not able to take in have begun to inquire into their ancestry to see if some hook may not be found on which to hang an application to join and instead of calling me "one of those Hoo-Hoo" are referring to me as a lucky person. It was sure worth the money and made you proud to be a member of the Order.

Trusting that this finds you in health and spirits, I remain,

Very truly yours,

C. C. FINN (No. 17712).

The following brief communication probably means that the brother will even cut out eggnog at the glad yuletide:

Canada—Merry Christmas, and we will adopt your new rule of Article 8, Section 6. (No. ———)

The following letter is from a member, residing in a city on the Atlantic seaboard, who says he considers it a "grave mistake" to prohibit the serving of liquors at the "Session-on-the-Roof." He gives his reasons as follows:

In a city like this, it is almost impossible to get up any kind of an entertainment that will be of sufficient interest to attract a lot of fellows, who have theatres, etc., to amuse them and about the only thing a Snark can fall back on is a banquet, and a banquet without a little something to drink is not interesting. Other societies composed of gentlemen hold banquets where liquor is served, and to say that we cannot do the same is to acknowledge that our membership consists largely

of men who are not gentlemen. This seems to me a grave mistake, but if the Order is in such bad shape that there can be no happy medium between a free drunk and absolute prohibition then I think we had better disband. The better plan to my way of thinking is to be more careful in the selection of candidates and not only that but to start to eliminate from the membership such men as are of such a low grade that they cannot act at a concatenation as gentlemen should. I think that if the use of liquor at a concatenation proper, had been prohibited but not at an "On-the-Roof" which usually follows a concatenation, it would have served every purpose.

Among the many letters received since the Annual, so far only a few contain a vigorous protest against the debarring of liquor at concatenations—one man has actually paid up his dues and quit! Here is the letter he wrote, under date of October 23:

Health—happiness—long life. It sounds just like a toast—a good one at that and a credit to Messrs. Johnson, Barnes, et al. whose banish gave it existence and who, no doubt, have used other liquids than water to wash it down many a time, and who have now waited some considerable while to discover that it always should be taken with water. The elimination of "spirited beverages" from the "On-the-Roof" because one or two members of the twenty thousand have erred in their use appears to me on a par with the proposition that the churches should exclude from their aid and spiritual assistance all criminals because a few have used the churches as a cloak for their criminality.

When I joined Hoo-Hoo, I did not join a temperance society, so I enclose herewith my dues (so that I may quit in good standing) and give my word that my secrets of the Order of which I am possessed are in good keeping. I ask that my name may be stricken from the records of the Order.

Very truly yours,



When a Man is Married.

Men are sometimes queer, and the married kind are a little queerer—perhaps—than the other kind.

Now, when I married John—and I was just crazy about John, and he was mad about me—what he especially admired about me—so he said several thousand times—was my vivacity—I was so entertaining, you know—and my very natural-looking hair! Natural, mind you, was the word he used, but, of course, I made him explain, and he said when he used the word natural, he meant uncurled, and put up simply—like hair his mother used to wear!

This was very satisfactory, but still almost everything said when you are first engaged is satisfactory, and I was pleased. He also used to say that he liked a woman to be intensely feminine; like little ribbon bows, fol de rols and frivols, and thought a woman should be as unlike a man in her attire as possible.

Everything about the woman he loves is just the sort of thing he most likes—when they are engaged. He thinks the little tendrils of hair which blow about her ear, and curl so naturally, are too sweet for anything—until after they have been married a year or two. Then he is quite likely to say:

"My dear, don't you think you ought to make your head tidy? Your locks are all flying about."

"Tendrils" have become "locks," and the charming way they used to blow about in the breezes is now considered mere untidiness!

Well, apropos of this, I was talking to John the other night at dinner, really trying to make myself entertaining, and thinking how much he must be enjoying my vivacity, when suddenly he interrupted me to say—how charming I was? Not in the least! now what do you suppose he said?

"My dear," he remarked with soliloquy, "aren't you afraid those people at the next table will think you're having a fit, working your face as you do?"

Working my face!

Well, it is just as well to omit what I said. Then he looked at some fine-looking tailor-made woman one day—she was fearfully made up, and had on about a pound of "store hair"—turned to me and said:

"I should think you'd curl your hair like that, and wear those plain tailor effects," disapprovingly.

He had evidently forgotten the time when he poured into my ear praises of my uncurled hair, and my fluffy clothes. I reminded him of it, and he began to read the paper.

Office of Packages Pub. Co., Milwaukee, Wis., October 23, 1909—I acknowledge receipt of appointment as delegate to the joint meeting of the Supreme Nine and the House of Ancients of our Order and also your command to attend same. I will be there.

I wish to congratulate you on the handsome invitation. It is the neatest thing I have ever seen.

Fraternally yours,

WARREN R. ANDERSON, V. S.

This letter is one of many which have been received complimenting the invitation sent out to those who were appointed as delegates to the meeting at Chicago. It is, of course, very pleasing to know that the beauty and tastefulness of the invitation is so much appreciated.

Canny Andy.

While Mr. Andrew Carnegie is giving away his millions in the shape of library buildings, gifts to institutions of learning and various permanent funds in his efforts to die poor, he is managing his Scotch estate so carefully that it returns a profit each year. The game and fruit from the lands about Skibo Castle bring good prices, and every detail of marketing them is studied in the most business-like manner. In the London correspondence of the Kansas City Star we read:

The magnificent preserves on which the millionaire lavishes from \$25,000 to \$30,000 a year return \$35,000 in the shooting season. Although Andrew Carnegie does not forget his friends and one or two hospitals in London when he has big "shoots," thousands of birds are dispatched to the game markets all over the kingdom. The partridges at Skibo are particularly fine, and they fetch four or five cents each more than any other birds of the same kind. From all quarters the orders for game pour in, and the millionaire does not consider it beneath his dignity to see that they are attended to. He will often spend an hour in the office making notes and looking after his accounts. Orders are attended to with the greatest dispatch. To his own punctuality in life Mr. Carnegie attributes not a little of his success.

In the fishing and fruit seasons orders for both are tendered and promptly executed. "Carnegie apples," as a delicious brand from Skibo Castle orchards is called, are a very choice variety and very popular with some of the best fruit dealers. For years Andrew Carnegie has made a hobby of fruit-growing, and these apples are his own production. He never tires of showing his apples, pears, and other fruits to his guests, and at dessert sometimes he will tell the company of the handsome prices he gets from them. He is far prouder of being the producer of "Carnegie apples" than master of Skibo Castle.

Guests do not find Skibo exhilarating. For one thing, bridge is not permitted. The master has an overpowering objection to cards, and it is an unwritten law that they must never be played. In the last shooting season a party of rich Americans were among those invited. All were devoted to bridge, and on hearing that it was forbidden at Skibo they decided to make an excuse to retire early to have a game in one of their own rooms, and they played into the small hours. Happening to awake and see a light in the opposite wing, where the game was taking place, Andrew walked across a balcony, and, peering through the curtains, beheld the players and their stakes of gold. Forthwith he entered unannounced. It must have made a quaint picture, the four Americans, in front of whom were many empty bottles, and the horror-stricken millionaire in his night attire. One of the guests, who was a little more self-possessed than the others, offered their host a drink. Scotchmen are proverbially kind hosts. Though at first annoyed that his wishes had been disregarded, he accepted the proffered drink and laughed in his own dour way.



Virtue Looks Lonesome.

We have had much amusement of late because of the fact that some reformers have erected a statue of "Virtue" in the heart of the Great White Way. It is certainly lonesome there, but if the idea of its owners was to create talk, they have certainly succeeded.

Miss Virtue is about 50 feet tall, weighs nearly eight tons, and is amazingly pale in complexion. She is barefooted and wears no corsets, but has a very sensible waist and bust support, the yellow pine stays of which may be seen from the back. In her hand she has what may be a shield to ward off

knocks, or else the top of an umbrella, the handle of which has been blown away.

Newspaper men who have investigated the matter say that the society which is to blame is impressed with the idea that the sight of the statue will improve the morals of Upper Broadway, which certainly need reformation. Up to date, however, it has simply created ribald laughter. William Harmon Black is president of the new reformers, and his associates and the society of which they are so proud are unknown to fame.

But it certainly costs some people a lot of money to make fools of themselves, and afford merriment to the average citizen.—New York Correspondent of Portland Oregonian.

We are already at work on the 1910 Annual.—(Excerpt from a letter from Vicegerent R. Stanley Dollar, of San Francisco.)

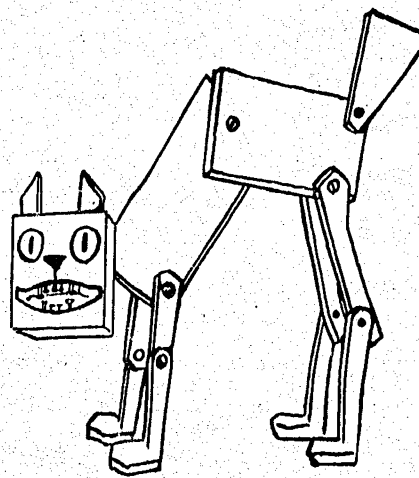
If three men with two sledges and twenty dogs can travel 1,200 miles in ninety days, how many thousands of dollars can one man, lecturing eight times a week, earn at \$5,000 a lecture?—New York Press.

Defective spelling is far more common in this age of universal common schools and numerous colleges and universities. The New York World prints the following examples from an examination in orthography of the freshmen of Northwestern University:

Irregular—Earegular, iregeler, iregenlor.
 Accessible—Execessable, assessable, axesible.
 Counterfelt—Counterfllt, counterfite, counterpheet.
 Apprentice—Aprentase, aprentils.
 Chivalry—Shivalery, shivelry, chifalery.
 Magazine—Magazeen, magazenn, magizene.
 Plumage—Plummage, plumenge, plumag.
 Anthracite—Anthreccit, anthrlsight.
 Adage—Addage, adidge.
 Municipal—Munissipie, munciple.
 Glacier—Glassear, glashler.
 Intelligence—Intelligence, Intelegence.

Of course, the blame does not fall on the university, but upon the schools that prepared these freshmen for the college.

The following unique invitation doubtless was successful in "drawing" a good attendance at the concatenation at Waycross, Ga.:



The above is the best I can do at drawing the Hoo-Hoo cat; but I hope to do better in drawing a crowd for my first concatenation—take note of the time and place.

MASONIC HALL, WAYCROSS, GA., NOVEMBER 26.

As the newly appointed Vicegerent for the Southern District of Georgia I am exceedingly anxious to bring about a revival of our old-time interest and enthusiasm. To this end I want to make this concatenation one we will all be proud of. I earnestly

solicit your cooperation. I have already about a dozen applicants for initiation. I hope to more than double this; but I am less anxious for numbers than to have my class of initiates of the highest standing.

I very much desire too that we have at this meeting a good attendance of the members of the Order. I want us all to get together to have a good time and to discuss the welfare of Hoo-Hoo in Southern Georgia.

Please advise me if I can count on your presence at the meeting. If you know of a good lumberman, strictly eligible, who would like to become a member of Hoo-Hoo, give me his name, and arrange to bring him along under your personal conduct.

Yours fraternally, B. T. O. T. G. S. B. C.,
 T. H. CALHOUN, Vicegerent,
 Southern District of Georgia.



October 7, 1909—I note with interest the proposed campaign in Hoo-Hoo. It is the social side of life that leads men to know each other and to have faith in each other's statements. At a concatenation recently, it struck me that the lumbermen were scarce and the supply men were plentiful. I think an effort should be made to interest the representative lumbermen, as Hoo-Hoo is primarily a lumberman's order.
 (No. —.)

Concerning the October Front Page.

Paragould, Arkansas, October 29, 1909.

Dear Brother Baird—The beautiful swamp scene on the front page of October Bulletin attracted my attention, first for its beauty, and next, I tried to figure the Hoo-Hoo significance in same. Of course the cat-tails is where I commenced and I counted same and found that some one had made a mistake and allowed an extra tail to appear, making a total of ten. How does that happen?

The matter has bothered me very much and I was telling my folks about it at home, expressing my uneasiness, when my wife's cousin, a young lady, spoke up very quickly and suggested that maybe there was a visitor. That busted the conversation and I suppose I will have to accept her suggestion.

Yours fraternally,
 C. M. DICKINSON.

This inquiry as to the symbolism of the tenth cat-tail is one which I had anticipated—of course, somebody would want to know why there were ten instead of nine! The explanation is very simple: The nine cat-tails represent Hoo-Hoo, and the tenth is a man who has happened to get hold of a copy of the Bulletin and who has become interested and wants to join the Order. The following letter is one of several received lately:

Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, September 29, 1909—I have read several copies of The Bulletin and am writing you to ask what are your rules for joining the Order. I mean the standing a person has to be in and what the cost is. I have good references. I belong to the I. O. O. F. and several other societies.
 Yours truly,

And now before somebody writes to ask why there were not nine water lilies in what Brother Dickinson sarcastically calls the "beautiful swamp scene" on October front page, will state that the six blossoms represent the "original six" who founded Hoo-Hoo. A chaste and beautiful thought is involved in all of my wonderful artistic efforts, but it is nearly always necessary to come down to earth and explain the meaning of the designs, owing to the fact that the members are short on imagination and poetic aspiration.

Even Brother Wallace Everett, however, probably will be able to understand the symbolism of the cover design on this issue—the roast turkey will appeal to a bourgeois taste. The idea is not original with me, for my mind soars above the plane of viands. The design was suggested by a young man who used to be a college athlete and who has not been in the newspaper business long enough yet to become attuned to a low diet.

Hoo-Hoo Jollification.

The private dining room of the Portland Commercial Club, Portland, Ore., was the scene of a most pleasant Hoo-Hoo affair on the evening of October 8. Vicegerent Snark Owen, who was about to retire from that office, conceived the happy idea of bringing together the members of the fraternity in a little social function, which proved to be extremely pleasurable. There were thirty-three of the faithful in attendance. This meeting was called primarily for the purpose of recommending to the Snark of the Universe the name of some member for appointment to the office of Vicegerent for the Northern District of Oregon. Matters of importance quite equal to this were freely discussed. During the course of the remarks, suggestions tending to the elevation of Hoo-Hoo were made by several speakers. The following details of this happy occasion are clipped from the October issue of the "Timberman."

There was but one name presented in nomination for the office of Vicegerent, that of Graham A. Griswold, Portland, of the Falls City Lumber Co., Falls City, Ore. Mr. Griswold is a young, energetic lumberman and an enthusiastic Hoo-Hoo, and will fill the office with credit to himself and honor to the Order.

The evening was made more pleasurable by the presence of George S. Littlejohn, of Sydney, Australia. Mr. Littlejohn is one of the only two members of Hoo-Hoo in that portion of King Edward's domain. Mr. Littlejohn was initiated into the Order in San Francisco three years ago. His remarks regarding the Order and the importance of the lumber industry of Australia and the Pacific Coast were highly entertaining and enthusiastically received.

Another guest was Clark W. Thompson, of the Wind River Lumber Co., Cascade Locks. Mr. Thompson has so far evaded Hoo-Hoo, but his assurance is given that the first signed application for membership in the Order to be placed in the hands of the new Snark shall be his own.

Remarks were made by past Snarks E. H. Habighorst, of Oregon and Cal Welbon, of Washington; A. H. Potter, ex-member of the Supreme Nine; A. B. Wastell, G. M. Cornwall, G. A. Griswold, L. J. Wentworth, C. W. Thompson and David Davis. Snark Owen, in his usual happy manner, presided as toastmaster, and the occasion was in every way a brilliant success. Those present were: S. F. Owen, G. M. Cornwall, Geo. S. Littlejohn, A. B. Wastell, G. A. Griswold, J. C. Robinson, H. E. Williams, A. J. Schureman, O. F. Tipton, W. C. Cameron, J. H. Hank, J. E. Page, H. W. J. Hall, L. J. Wentworth, A. B. Dully, J. S. Sammons, M. Chambers, Frank Barringer, A. E. Potter, E. J. Munnell, Cal Welbon, E. H. Habighorst, E. L. Field, G. C. Luders, Thos. Garrett, David Davis, D. M. Stuart, W. G. Goslin, E. Z. Ferguson, J. P. Keating, M. C. Dickinson, Alec White, R. R. Wright and C. W. Thompson.



Iowa, October 17, 1909— . . . I have just finished reading the September Bulletin from cover to cover, and it is a peach. Wish we could get a little more enthusiasm worked up in the good old State of Iowa. There's lots of material here. (No. —.)

Office of Elwell Mercantile Co., Santiago de Cuba, October 26, 1909— I notice in October Bulletin, page 2, a "squib" entitled, "Nine ought to be lucky for this boy," or "baby." Would suggest "Nina" for the boy, masculine. In this country "Nina" is a girl's name.

Incidentally will inform you that at my country house where I now live I am the proud possessor of nine black cats.

Yours sincerely,

J. K. ELWELL, (No. 11258).

Marvelous Muskogee.

Muskogee, Oklahoma, October 24, 1909—Enclosed find check for dues. You will probably be surprised to learn that I am no longer connected closely with the lumber interest, yet as a very loyal Hoo-Hoo I do not wish to drop my membership.

We have here in Muskogee the best city of its size in the United States. Five years ago this town did not have enough people in it to fill a good freight train. Today it is proud of telling the world that we have 30,000 people and what is more

we have the possibilities here of making this a city of over 100,000 people in the next five years. We have now in the course of construction five large business buildings, ranging from two to eight stories in size. Also the contracts are let for eight more, besides four large federal buildings and one ten-story hotel. We have at this time over 45 miles of paving and the contracts are let for as much more. We have the navigable Arkansas river right at our very doors, abundance of natural gas, coal and oil. Manufacturing gas for the small sum of 3 cents a thousand. We also have the best outlet in the southwest of any city this side of the Mississippi river, having railroads branching in eleven different directions.

Perhaps this information may be of use to some good Hoo-Hoo. A recent canvass of this city shows that eight hundred and ten residences were built since January, 1909, and there is at the present time lumber on the ground for over three hundred more. All the local lumbermen report a very good year for their business. All are making some money, enjoying fine health and pushing for Hoo-Hoo—and Muskogee.

With kindest regards to all brother members; with personal regards to yourself and a long yelp for the health, happiness and long life of the best order in the world—Hoo-Hoo, I am,

Fraternally yours,

A. O. DAVIS (No. 22003).

The accompanying is a portrait of Hugh W. Hogan, of Oakland, Cal., elected Supreme Bojum at Hot Springs. Mr. Hogan is a representative of the class of successful young lumbermen who are now so prominent in the trade in Cal-



HUGH W. HOGAN, SUPREME BOJUM.

ifornia. A recent letter from him, published below, shows that arrangements have already been started at San Francisco for the Annual Meeting of next year. There is no doubt but that every man who attends this meeting will have the time of his life—and the trip out there and back will be the trip of his life:

Oakland, Cal., October 25, 1909—Wish to acknowledge receipt of the Constitution, By-laws and Ritual of the Order. Everything is in good shape here for the big annual in 1910. We have appointed a strong finance committee, comprising some of the largest lumbermen in California, who were initiated into Hoo-Hoo some years ago, but who never gave it much attention. We have succeeded in interesting them in the work, and have their promise to do all in their power to make it a success. Have also appointed a very strong nine, all young, energetic and active men, who have promised to learn the ritual, so that we may hold concatenations without the aid of books, and to do all in their power to make the annual in San Francisco one of the greatest ever held.

Fraternally yours,

HUGH W. HOGAN, Bojum.

Office of J. H. Devini, Cleveland, Texas, October 30, 1909—Enclosed find my dues. I also enclose a flower which is a souvenir of the mountains of my native home. They grow only in the mountains of South Tyro, Austria.

It gives me great pleasure to see Hoo-Hoo spreading over all nations.

Fraternally yours,

J. H. DEVINI.

The blossom mentioned in the foregoing is the famous "edelweiss" which grows at great altitudes in the Alps. It is a very interesting plant indeed. Its flower is white and star-shaped, the heads surrounded by what the botanists call a woolly "involucre." The leaves also have the same woolly character. In other words, being compelled to live in a very cold country, the edelweiss has fixed itself as best it can to withstand the severity of the climate. This adaptation of plants, as well as animals, to the conditions which surround them is a most interesting subject. Without this faculty of adaptation, the life of the organism must cease. Hence Herbert Spencer defined death as the "failure to respond to environment." The edelweiss is comparatively scarce and usually grows in inaccessible places. It is eagerly sought by Alpine tourists. The supposed difficulty of gathering it is the groundwork of various legends and poems. As the emblem of purity it is given by the Tyrolese youth to his affianced bride. According to some authorities it is not difficult to cultivate and is sometimes successfully transplanted to European gardens, but soon loses its distinctively woolly character under cultivation—it takes off its flannels, as you might say, when they are no longer needed. Nature wastes no efforts—she does only as much as is absolutely necessary. The words of the old hymn—

As thy days may demand,
Shall thy strength ever be,"

finds confirmation in the truths of science!



Foolish Americans are still being taken in by that ingenious Spanish swindle—the Russian banker who has a quantity of his booty concealed and will give a part of it to the equally rascally fellow who will help him, for the sake of a fictitious daughter, to get out of the Spanish prison in which he is confined on the charge of embezzlement. The American department of state endeavors to warn the citizens of this country against this swindle, but the fools continue to bite, improbable as is the story that is told. The trouble about apprehending these swindlers is that they take advantage of the rather peculiar laws of Spain to conceal their work—which, it is needless to say, is among the citizens of other countries.

Probably there is not a state in the Union that hasn't furnished at least one victim of the Spanish prison fake, though it seems almost incredible that any sane man would be caught by so palpable a swindle. Perhaps there is a vein of romance in most men to which the story of the prisoner appeals—probably it is true, as a certain novelist contends, that man belongs to the "sentimental sex." At any rate, it is not recorded that any woman has forwarded money to the Spanish prisoner.



Avoid the Rush.

If any member contemplates purchasing Hoo-Hoo jewelry to give as a Christmas present, let him send his order right now, instead of waiting until about three days before Christmas and then firing in a frantic telegram.

Orders received on Christmas Eve will not be filled. It is impossible to send jewelry out on that day. Members are earnestly requested to bear this in mind.

San Francisco, Cal., October 12, 1909—Am enclosing a "snap shot" of the Great Black Cat guarding the entrance at House of Hoo-Hoo at Seattle A. Y. P. and its faithful custodian, Mrs. Anna Shaw, thinking this might be of interest to you.

Yours faithfully,

A. C. BAKER (No. 10739).

Even Paris sometimes balks at the nude in art, though one might imagine not many prissy people live in that gay city. It seems, however, that it has taken the French authorities fifteen years to consent to M. Rodin's famous statue of Victor Hugo being set up in a public place in Paris. It created a sensation when first exhibited at the Salon, as, contrary to the usual custom in the case of real personages, especially those of modern times, the great French writer is represented without drapery. M. Rodin has chosen to portray Victor Hugo as an allegorical figure reclining on a rock beside the sea, and listening to the roar of the waves. The statue has now been erected in the gardens of the Palais Royal, and was unveiled the other day with much ceremony, and in the approving presence of the minister of public instruction. The occasion was the fiftieth anniversary of the publication of Victor Hugo's "Legende des Siecles." The statue was begun during his lifetime.



IN FRONT OF HOO-HOO HOUSE.

It is not to be supposed that the author of Les Misérables ever sat stark naked on a rock, though some eminent critics have declared that his writings show a total lack of a sense of humor. The artist who made the statue claims that the rock represents the "rock of exile," but even that would not explain the lack of raiment. It is true that Victor Hugo found it convenient to leave France after the revolution of 1848, when the "Second Empire" was founded. He had written some bitter satires against Napoleon the Third, and in December 1851 he fled to Brussels, where he continued to write. He afterwards went to live on the Isle of Jersey and finally settled in Guernsey, where he bought an estate. It was in the comparative solitude and quietness of the Channel Islands that he wrote most of the great works of his later years. He returned to France in 1870, after the fall of the empire. And now he sits in Paris naked on a rock.

As a rule artists are not gifted with a sense of humor.

Why He Failed to Arrive.

San Francisco, Cal., Nov. 1, 1909—I tried hard to get to our last Annual. Coming from the north I started the next day for the east, and when about half way or as far as New Mexico, got into a washout, and, after waiting twenty-eight hours, our train turned back to Arizona. It was then too late to get to Hot Springs in time, and so returned home. I was five days traveling and got nowhere. I expected the Santa Fe Railway Company would return me the fare, but was even disappointed in this, as the rate to Gallup and back to San Francisco was more than to Chicago and return, so writes John J. Byrne, assistant passenger traffic manager, Los Angeles, Cal., and he regrets that my trip is lost—\$72.50 railroad fare, \$8 Pullman, 5 days valuable time. Of course it did not take very much to live on the train, as there was enough dust flying any time to keep filled up. This is just a little exhibit of the kind of luck I have been having even when I go on what we call a pleasure trip or a little vacation. But never mind, the next time I will try the Canadian Pacific line. (No. 5202).

A California member sends a copy of the Oakland Enquirer, dated October 30, and containing the following significant instances of the total assinnity of certain women suffering from a perversion of the race instinct:

Los Angeles, October 30—Strangely enamored of Mills Sing, an unimpressing Chinese, and vowing that nothing shall keep her from him, Miss Alice Sheehan, a beautiful American girl of 17, who has been missing from home since Wednesday, was found by the police in his shack today. She was taken to the county jail, and when the Celestial, who was in hiding, learned this he telephoned to an attorney to defend her, and was himself apprehended. He was locked up and will be prosecuted to the limit on the charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

"Me lovee white girl vellee muchee," said Sing to Judge Willbur when arraigned, "and she lovee me, too."

"I know he's a Chinese, but I was happy with him. I love him and shall go back to him," said the girl. "The officers broke into our home and spoiled the only romance that has ever entered my life. He's a man and a good man."

Chicago, October 30—"American girls, don't take Japanese husbands; they are cruel," said Mrs. Greta Cho Yo today. Her statement followed the granting to her of a divorce from Prof. Kazuo Cho Yo, a Japanese scholar and former instructor in the University of Tokio. Mrs. Cho Yo also declared that her husband had taken delight in subjecting her to Jiu Jitsu "tortures" which nearly destroyed her health.

"American girls should never marry Orientals, because they cannot understand the American temperament," said Mrs. Cho Yo in her home at 1415 Fifteenth Street. "I thought we could be happy because we had so many views in common, but I soon was disillusioned. He could not bear music, and I lived for music. I shall now try to be happy with my music and my little girl, Usuna."

About the time of her marriage about five years ago the young woman was a belle of Morgan Park.

Columbus, Kas., November 1, 1909—Yours at hand, enclosing certificate of appointment to the Chicago meeting on November 17-18. I thank you for the honor that you do me in making this appointment and regret very much that I cannot attend. And this is not to be taken as a conventional regret statement. I am downright sorry that I cannot go.

I do not know that I can suggest any plan to awaken the members to a better enthusiasm. Any plan that would bring them into more frequent and closer touch with its affairs would serve in a measure to do this. You are probably aware that at the present time The Bulletin is the greatest cohesive force, and greater than all other forces, to keep the Order going. If some plan could be devised to get the membership to discussing in its columns the "good of the Order" the results accomplished would be proportionate to the number of suggestions brought forth, whether they were adopted or not.

We are a busy lot, and the meetings being often difficult of access on account of distance, or for other reasons, we forget about our allegiance to the Order.

Club rooms maintained in the lumber centers should keep alive the interest in those places, but they do not help much outside of the members' immediate contiguous territory.

I predict, however, that some helpful plans will be hit

upon at the Chicago meeting. If any suggestion that seems to promise help in the solution occurs to me I shall be pleased to write to you. At the same time I feel that among those that are asked to attend there will be few who are not better able to make these suggestions than I.

Again thanking you for your thoughtful courtesy, I am,
Yours truly,

E. D. WHITESIDE.

A Work of Art.

Office of Vandalia Railroad Company, St. Louis, Mo., November 2, 1909—I am in receipt of certificate of appointment as delegate to attend the Chicago conference to be held November 17 and 18. I have a railroad meeting in Chicago on the 17th and hope to be able to finish our work in time to spend part of the 17th and all of the 18th with you. I want to congratulate the man who conceived and executed this invitation. It is certainly a work of art and is worthy of preservation in our archives.

Fraternally yours,

GEORGE W. SCHWARTZ.



Notwithstanding the sunshine of these balmy November days there is already in the air a suggestion of the approach of the holiday season—we must needs think of winter and of Christmas, even though the weather be as warm as springtime. Christmas literature in various forms greets us from the shop windows, in book reviews and in publishers' advertisements, and soon the Christmas story, in all its tiresome variations, will be upon us helpless mortals. It is a relief to find a few books that are not stories. A very beautiful gift book bears the attractive title of "A Sure Possession." It consists of a collection of essays, restful and tender, by Dr. William King, of Georgia, father-in-law of the lamented and brilliant Henry W. Grady. The book is published by A. B. Caldwell, of Atlanta, Ga. It is beautifully printed, in large, clear type on heavy cream paper, and is altogether a very pleasing volume.

He had wedded a popular actress, much to the dismay of his friends, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. He was fond of the practical things of life. His friends were sure the professional lady would prove anything but a helpmeet to him. It was their first breakfast in the pretty suite in the little flat. The coffee was delicious, the steak of the exact rareness he preferred, and he had never eaten such rolls. He held one of the latter aloft. "Why, where did you buy them, my love?" he asked. She slung him a bewitching smile. "I created those rolls," she dramatically answered. "You?" he cried. "Yes," she replied. "I was cooking in a downtown restaurant when I went on the stage."



TIME FLIES.

FATHER FLY—"When I was a boy, my son, this road was only a foot-path."



Society for Psychological Research asks for \$1,000,000. Is the ghost about to walk?—Cleveland Leader.

Anyhow, the tariff can't be blamed for the kind of hats women insist on wearing.—Indianapolis News.

Would Suit Alfred Henry.

Next time Dr. Cook starts out to discover a Pole or climb a mountain, he will take along a brass band and a corps of newspaper correspondents. It would be a noble assignment for Alfred Henry Lewis.—Oregonian.

Nothing to Boast Of.

In ante-bellum days Col. Moore of Kentucky owned a large number of negroes. He was a kind master and never punished his negroes with the whip. One day one of his field hands named "Jupie" was guilty of some negligence and was sent to the woods at once to cut down and split up a black-gum tree, practically an impossible task. Jupie cut down the tree and labored hard to split the tough wood, but in vain. In the meantime a thunder-storm came up and Jupie sought refuge under a brush heap. Directly the lightning struck a large poplar near by, splitting it into kindling-wood. After the storm had passed, Jupie crawled out from his place of security and after taking a careful look at the remains of the poplar-tree, which were scattered all over the woods, said, "Mr. Lightning, I wish you had just tried yo' han' on dis black gum. Any blame feel can split a poplar!"—Holland's Magazine.

Unexpected Results.

Consider what the popular song writer will do with "Igloo!" Syracuse Standard.

And what inspiring food pemmican will be for the poets. After all, polar exploration does bring results.—New York Herald.

An old negro preacher in Kentucky was dilating upon events in the Bible which had a zoological trend. He described the Deluge and how all the animals, two by two, went into the Ark and were saved. Then he discussed the incident of Jonah and the whale, Balaam's ass, and finally the exploit of Daniel, who entered the den of ravening lions and emerged unharmed. His auditors had listened with interest, and some of them seemed to have their doubts as to the authenticity of the tales.

Finally, one of the younger negroes rose up and inquired: "Say, pahson, wuz dem lions jest like the kind we has now?" "Cose not, cose not," retorted the preacher, irritated at having his discourse interrupted, "Dey was B. C., meaning be-fore cireuses."

The explanation was sufficient and satisfactory.—Buffalo (N. Y.) Commercial.

Her Safe Proposition.

She was trying to persuade her husband to give up smoking, and she had pointed out to him one day the exact amount of his expenses for tobacco during the course of a year.

"Besides, my dear," she persisted, "you will be better off mentally, physically and financially without the pipe and the cigars."

"Well, maybe so; but all great men have smoked," he argued.

"Well," she sighed, "just promise me, dear, that you'll give up smoking until you are great. Ther' I'll be perfectly satisfied."—Philadelphia Record.

"What's this?" demanded the customs officer, pointing to a package at the bottom of the trunk. "That is a foreign book entitled 'Polliteness,'" answered the man who had just landed. "I guess I'll have to charge you a duty on it," rejoined the inspector. "It competes with a small and struggling industry in this country."—Chicago Tribune.

On the Spot.

"Yes," said the Billville story-teller, "the cyclone carried his house into the next county, and set it down there as comfortable as you please, and as he stepped out o' the door to survey the country the man who owned the land notified him of suit for trespass and the tax collector handed him a bill for taxes."—Atlanta Constitution.

Halley's comet has hove in sight 113 days before schedule time. Probably it feared that some rival comet might show up and claim the honors.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

The names of some of England's biggest battle-ships are Indomitable, Indefatigable and Inflexible. A good many of the English people think the next big one ought to be named the Insupportable.—Chicago Record-Herald.

The Philosopher.

A laborer had worked hard all day putting in several tons of coal. For his day's hard work he received \$2. His wife home led him by the open door of a saloon. Inside he heard the magic rattle of the dice. A crap game was in progress.

Getting hold of the bones, the laborer placed a dollar on the table and "rolled." He lost. He wagered another dollar, with the same result. Getting up from the table, he said:

"Well, easy come, easy go."—Newark Star.

Mr. Timid (hearing noise at 2 a. m.)—I th—think, dear, that there is a m—man in the house.

His wife (scornfully)—Not in this room.—Boston Transcript.



MR. FLY—This must be Pittsburg.

Husband—Think of it! Here is a hairpin I have found in the soup!

Wife—Yes? Now I know where our things have gone. A shoehorn disappeared, too!—Life.

Lysander's Boomerang.

They are telling a great joke on Lysander John Appleton. Mr. Appleton writes a very poor hand, and recently wrote an angry letter to his wife's brother, asking him to pay what he owed him or be sued. The brother called in all the handwriting experts in his neighborhood and they deciphered the letter to be an invitation to the brother and family to come for an extended visit, and five of them arrived today.—Atchison Globe.

When the physician arrived at the designated house he found that his patient was a decrepit negro, who sat up in bed and inquired:

"How much yo' charge, doctah?"

Two dollars a visit, which includes my time, experience, advice and medicine."

"A poor old coon like me don't need all dem extras. Just gib me 10 cents' wo'th o' yo' cough medicine, and dat's enough fo' me."—Judge.



Big Banquet and a Jolly Time.

A pronounced success was the concatenation of Vicegerent Earl V. Smith, held in Salt Lake City, Utah, on October 2. Twelve men were initiated, and from the following interesting account of the day's doings in Hoo-Hoo, clipped from the Salt Lake Tribune, it will be seen that the boys had a jolly good time:

"On-the-Roof," after the concatenation, there were present just exactly sixty-five members of the great Concatenated Order of Hoo-Hoo at the Commercial Club, Monday night, on the occasion of the annual banquet of the organization. Every one was a perfect master of the black art and a possessor of nine lives. The twelve "kittens" who received their concatenation into the mysteries of the Order at Armory Hall, beginning at 9 o'clock, were as merry as the rest and everything passed off with the gaiety and jollity characteristic of meetings of the Order.

Conspicuous at the banquet board was Captain E. V. Smith, Vicegerent Snark for Utah. Frank Murphy acted as toastmaster, and saw to it that each one of the newly initiated members of the Order was given an opportunity to show what he could to prove his right to membership.

The banquet was arranged under the management of C. I. Moreland, A. E. Payne and A. B. Ficklinzer, and was tendered to the members of the Order by twenty of the prominent lumber concerns of the west, as follows: Morrison, Merrill & Co., S. M. Morrison, F. S. Murphy & Co., T. H. Smith & Son, Rock Island Sash & Door Company, G. W. Gates & Co., J. J. Stewart, Parker Lumber Company, Rio Grande Lumber Company, George Romney Lumber Company, McConaughy-Losee Lumber Company, Burton Coal & Lumber Company, McFarland Lumber Company, Utah Lumber Company, J. F. & M. Nibley, Lillard & Dalley, Holman-Payne-Taylor-Armstrong Lumber Company, Salt Lake Building & Manufacturing Company and the Grand Ronde Lumber Company.

The concatenation of new members was held in the Armory Hall early in the evening, after which adjournment was taken to the Commercial Club, and preparations for the banquet were completed. It was exactly 11 o'clock when the guests seated themselves at the banquet board and after a sumptuous repast the gaiety broke loose and proceeded at constantly accelerating rate until long after the midnight hour.

Every one made a speech, and "the wall of the Snark and the tail of the Snark were (not) the only night wandering trills."

The speakers praised first the lumber business; second, the Commercial Club, and finally, the great and honorable concatenation of Hoo-Hoo. There were present representatives from practically every state of the Intermountain country and the west. Every one voted the affair a great success, and the meeting broke up with many expressions of good will and hope for a continuance of the hearty good fellowship induced by association with the noble Order, and with promises to remain true to the sign of the black cat.

Snark, Earl V. Smith; Senior Hoo-Hoo, A. L. Porter; Junior Hoo-Hoo, J. J. Stewart; Bojum, J. F. Nibley; Scrivenor, T. H. Hudson; Jabberwock, Robert Anderson; Custocatian, B. R. Jullien; Arcanoper, C. F. Warren; Gurdon, C. S. Robinson.

23568 James Henry Baker, Salt Lake City, Utah; treasurer and manager Sierra-Nevada Lumber Company.
23569 Ray Henry Blele, Salt Lake City, Utah; salesman Morrison, Merrill & Co.
23570 Paul Whitman Billings, Park City, Utah; manager Park City Lumber Company.
23571 Robert Aylmer Day, Butte, Mont.; traveling salesman Big Blackfoot Milling Company, Bonner, Mont.
23572 Elmer Lee Fan, Salt Lake City, Utah; salesman Rock Island Sash & Door Works, Rock Island, Ill.
23573 Isador Meyers Gauthot, Bingham, Utah; Bingham Coal & Lumber Company.
23574 Glen Hillier, Ogden, Utah; vice president and manager The Eccles Paint & Glass Company.
23575 Edward Simon Houghton, Salt Lake City, Utah; salesman Holman, Payne & Co.
23576 George Dexter Knauus, Ogden, Utah; traveling salesman Ogden Lumber Company.

23577 Dale Langull Smith, Salt Lake City, Utah; salesman T. H. Smith & Son.
23578 Ernest Thurman Spencer, Ogden, Utah; assistant manager Spencer Lumber Company.
23579 William Tyler Virgin, Reno, Nev.; Tonopah Lumber Co. Concatenation No. 1575, Salt Lake City, Utah, October 2, 1909.

Winds Up With a Concatenation.

September 15 was Lumberman's Day at the Kentucky State Fair, and a big time they had of it. The day was spent in enjoying the usual novelties of a State Fair and in the evening there was a big banquet followed by a concatenation. The banquet was held at River View Park, and among the speakers of the occasion was Kentucky's famous executive, Gov. A. E. Wilson.

Under the Vicegerency of Brother Len G. Herndon the concatenation was held in the dancing pavilion of River View Park immediately after the close of the banquet. There was a parade through the park with the kittens blindfolded and handcuffed together. At the park that night there were political speaking, dancing and moonlight picnics of visitors to the State Fair. So the sombre robes of Hoo-Hoo and the enchaind voices created much merriment on the grounds. While blindfolded the candidates were made to "shoot-the-chutes" and take part in other of the amusing features that night. Seven men were initiated and the fun lasted until midnight.

Snark, Len G. Herndon; Senior Hoo-Hoo, Carroll L. Beck; Junior Hoo-Hoo, F. J. Williams; Bojum, A. D. Jett; Scrivenor, F. G. Shaw; Jabberwock, F. B. Russell; Custocatian, Harry Roy; Arcanoper, S. K. Cowan; Gurdon, Bartley Skinner.
23580 Edward A. Brennan, Louisville, Ky.; salesman Louisville Planing Mill.
23581 Oscar Otto Byron, Louisville, Ky.; city salesman E. L. Hughes Co.
23582 Irvin Phillip Eisenmenger, Louisville, Ky.; house salesman E. L. Hughes Co.
23583 Ernest Lee Hughes, Jr., Louisville, Ky.; vice president E. L. Hughes Co.
23584 Clay Prosser, Scottsburg, Ind.; owner L. Prosser & Son.
23585 Consider Henth Willett, Jr., Louisville, Ky.; traveling salesman W. R. Willett.
23586 Alexander Pinckney Witty, Louisville, Ky.; president W. J. Hughes Sons & Co.
Concatenation No. 1576, Louisville, Ky., September 15, 1909.

Shows the Light in a Becoming Style.

The Scrivenor has received the following letter from Brother Frank S. Marks in regard to the concatenation held at Hugo, Okla., on October 19:

Well, we pulled off a great concatenation here as we notified you we would, and showed eighteen kittens the light of Hoo-Hoo and in becoming style. All were sorry that the Vicegerent of this jurisdiction could not be with us.

The Vicegerent for this District of Oklahoma is Brother H. T. Chiles, of Caddo, Okla., who, on account of absence from the district, was prevented from being present that night, but as Brother Marks writes, the boys had a big time of it, and initiated eighteen good men into the Order.

Snark, A. J. Weir; Senior Hoo-Hoo, W. L. Gibbs; Junior Hoo-Hoo, R. B. Amick; Bojum, J. F. Larecy; Scrivenor, F. S. Marks; Jabberwock, Clyde Walton; Custocatian, W. A. Lay; Arcanoper, T. A. Rutherford; Gurdon, W. O. Barton.

23587 Thomas Roberts Allen, Hugo, Okla.; president Varner-Collins.
23588 Houston Sylvester Baker, Hugo, Okla.; shipping clerk Walton-Chandler Lumber Company.
23589 Henry Charles Blanchard, Hugo, Okla.; Wright Lumber Company.
23590 Robert Lee Carter, Ft. Towson, Okla.; owner R. L. Carter.
23591 Wilmer Smith Chandler, Hugo, Okla.; president The Walton-Chandler Lumber Company.
23592 William Vance Collins, Hugo, Okla.; manager Varner-Collins Hdq. Co.
23593 Jack Colston, Hugo, Okla.; salesman Wright Lumber Co.
23594 Clarence William Ellis, Antlers, Okla.; stockholder and foreman John Ellis Tie Co., Ft. Smith, Ark.
23595 Gwilym Joseph Evans, Hugo, Okla.; salesman Wright Lumber Company.

Personal Mention.

Brother Howard M. Rowe (No. 3783), connected with the firm of Powell & Rowe, of Columbus, Ohio, has been confined to his bed for several weeks with a severe case of illness.

Brother P. F. Strleman has severed his connection with the H. W. Johns-Manville Co., with whom he has been for the past eighteen years, and has established himself at 629 Baronne Street, New Orleans, in the general roofing contracting line—ready roofing paints, building papers, pipe and boiler covering, tarpitch, sanitary flooring, asbestos material, etc.

Brother N. P. Perkins is now located at Princeton, W. Va., where he is established in business as manufacturers' agent, handling lumber of all kinds with yellow pine a specialty.

Brother Emil C. Ganahl is no longer connected with the Chicago Lumber & Coal Company, having gone into the wholesale lumber business for himself at Mobile, Ala., under the firm name of E. C. Ganahl.

Hymeneal.

Mr. and Mrs. Salmon P. C. Hostler announce the marriage of their daughter Gertrude A. to Mr. Leonard Lewis Miksch, which took place on Thursday, October 14, at the home of the bride in Chicago. Brother Miksch is the Chicago representative of the Advance Lumber Company, of Cleveland, Ohio, and of the Empire Lumber Company, of Tuffalo, N. Y., and is one of Chicago's most popular lumbermen. Mr. and Mrs. Miksch are now at home at 1951 Byron Street.

Lost, somewhere out west, Hoo-Hoo Ladies' Pin No. 18106. If found, send to J. H. Baird, Scrivenor, Nashville, Tenn., and receive reward.

Lost, Hoo-Hoo Button No. 20328. If found, send to J. H. Baird, Scrivenor, Nashville, Tenn., and receive reward.

It is a very dangerous thing for a literary man to indulge his love for the ridiculous. People laugh with him just so long as he amuses them; but if he attempts to be serious, they must still have their laugh, and so they laugh at him.

There is in addition, however, a deeper reason for this than would at first appear. Do you know that you feel a little superior to every man who makes you laugh, whether by making faces or verses? . . . If I were giving advice to a young fellow of talent, with two or three facets to his mind, I would tell him by all means to keep his wit in the background until after he had made a reputation by his more solid qualities. . . . Do you know, too, that the majority of men look upon all who challenge their attention—for a while, at least—as beggars and nuisances? They always try to get off as cheaply as they can; and the cheapest of all things they can give a literary man—pardon the forlorn pleasantry!—is the *funny-bone—Oliver Wendell Holmes.*

Dues for 1909.



WHEN the clock struck twelve on the night of September 9 last, dues became payable for 1910. The Hoo-Hoo year begins and ends on September 9. Look up your receipts, and if you find that you have not paid 1909 dues, send \$1.65 to the Scrivenor at once. Any form of remittance will do except stamps that are stuck together. Your individual check will be all right.

23596 Joshua Nathaniel Joffrid, Kosoma, Okla.; manager Pine Creek Lumber Company.
23597 Lynn Everett Griffith, Hugo, Okla.; partner Griffith Lumber Company, Daggett, Mich.
23598 Fred Montie Hend, Ft. Towson, Okla.; salesman Pine Belt Lumber Company.
23599 Francis Clyde Ingham, Kosoma, Okla.; bookkeeper and manager retail department Pine Creek Lumber Co.
23600 Walter Fitzgerald Lend, Pecan Gap, Texas; manager retail yard Carson Lumber Company, Hugo, Okla.
23601 Thomas Moore, Kansas City, Mo.; The Lumber Review.
23602 George Lafollett Murray, Valliant, Okla.; owner G. L. Murray.
23603 Winfred Purblind Runyan, Huntington, Ind.; president Caswell-Runyan Co.
23604 Robert Edward Stevenson, Hugo, Okla.; Miller Lumber Company, Millerton, Okla.
Concatenation No. 1577, Hugo, Okla., October 9, 1909.

Following the Law to the Letter.

At San Angelo, Texas, on October 8, an unusually fine concatenation was held at which fifteen men were initiated, and after the concatenation the Hoo-Hoo were the guests of the lumbermen of San Angelo at a reception and banquet held at the Metropolitan Cafe. The San Angelo concatenation was worked up by Brother J. F. Ross, who looked after all the local arrangements of the meeting. Vicegerent C. E. Gillett, of Waco, went over to the concatenation and writes as follows concerning the affair, which shows how the Texas members of the Order look upon the new law in regard to the conduct of the "Session-on-the-Roof":

This was indeed a pretty concatenation, and not a single feature arose to mar its success. While the class only consisted of fifteen candidates, against a prospect of some twenty-five, the enthusiasm and perfect conduct of order made up for the deficiency. While the attendance was not as large as it could have been, that attendance reported was composed of representative men of that section, which alone insured the high-toned class of this meet. Every one was enthusiastic, and out there, as with the Hoo-Hoo in this particular section, they plan a concatenation at least once a year. And the good work shall continue, as I have since been advised by Brother Ross that he has ten more candidates. Not so bad for a starter.

Since you have been advised of full details I shall not dwell on them in this, only to say that your instructions in every particular were obeyed to the letter. We had some discussion over the "Session-on-the-Roof" amendment (as it is called out there), but since all members were guests of the San Angelo dealers this particular feature was not a part of the concatenation proper. However, it was pointed out to them that law was law, and unless they saw fit to observe and obey same, matters would have to be handled in that manner which was in my power to exert. This was understood perfectly, and every one voiced their views on the subject, concluding by stating that the law must and will be obeyed.

I only hope that future concatenations, which may occur under my jurisdiction, will prove to be as happy and successful as the San Angelo concatenation.

Snark, C. E. Gillett; Senior Hoo-Hoo, H. T. Kendall; Junior Hoo-Hoo, A. G. Anderson; Bojum, I. N. McCrary; Scrivenor, J. F. Ross; Jabberwock, A. B. Kirkpatrick; Custocatian, J. W. Mendow; Arcanoper, W. S. Robertson; Gurdon, L. E. Kuhne.
23605 Alfred Joseph Atkins, Miles, Texas; manager Sidney Smith Lumber Company.
23606 Joseph Oscar Clore, San Angelo, Texas; owner of lumber yard.
23607 Wiley Marshall Estes, Temple, Texas; traveling salesman Marsh-Robinson Co., Waco, Texas.
23608 Eugene Morfen Pfe, San Angelo, Texas; associate editor and manager the Standard Publishing Company.
23609 Arthur "Goodfellow" Hines, Blackwell, Texas; manager South Texas Lumber Company.
23610 George Pittman Hinton, San Angelo, Texas; associate editor and manager Press News.
23611 Thomas Franklin Johnson, Paint Rock, Texas; manager Harden & Bateman.
23612 Van Court Kelly, San Angelo, Texas; assistant manager W. S. Kelly & Co.
23613 William Stevens Kelly, Jr., San Angelo, Texas; yard manager W. S. Kelly & Co.
23614 Carroll Amelious Lewis, San Angelo, Texas; secretary and treasurer News Publishing Company.
23615 Milton L. McClain, San Angelo, Texas; Standard Publishing Company.
23616 Thomas Morlein Pulliam, San Angelo, Texas; West Texas Lumber Company.
23617 Theodore "Germany" Schuhmann, Rowena, Texas; manager Concho Lumber Company.
23618 Clifton Haywood Tupper, San Angelo, Texas; owner Standard Publishing Company.
23619 George Edward Williams, Bronie, Texas; manager Harden & Bateman, Stephenville, Texas.
Concatenation No. 1578, San Angelo, Texas, October 8, 1909.

Obituary.

Pierre L. Laughlin (No. 12880).

Brother Pierre Louis Laughlin died in Portland, Me., on October 23. His remains were interred in the Wilde Memorial Cemetery of Portland, the burial services being conducted by the Brotherhood of Free Masons. At the time of his death Brother Laughlin was in the employ of the Simonds Manufacturing Company, and to his many friends throughout the south his employers have sent the following notice of his death:

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of our Mr. Pierre L. Laughlin on October 23, 1909, after an illness of but one week with typhoid fever. Mr. Laughlin was one of our most esteemed representatives and we are sure that his many friends share with us his loss.

Fitchburg, Mass.

SIMONDS MFG. CO.

Brother Laughlin was initiated into Hoo-Hoo at the meeting at Atlantic Beach, Fla., on June 13, 1904. He was a native of Toronto, Ont., Can., being born in that city September 2, 1875.

Norris H. Norden (No. 1948).

Brother Norris Harkness Norden died at his home in New York City, No. 161 W. 118th Street, on October 31 after a lingering illness. Brother Norden was well known in lumber circles of the metropolis, where he has been engaged in business for a number of years. For a long while he was in business with Mr. Robert G. Kay, of New York City, in the wholesale lumber business, but recently has been operating for himself with offices at 18 Broadway. Brother Norden was initiated into Hoo-Hoo June 13, 1894. He was a native of Philadelphia, being born in that city on June 22, 1858.

W. T. Radford (No. 6814).

Brother W. T. Radford, of Pine Bluff, Ark., died in Chicago on Thursday, October 14, after an illness of some weeks. When Brother Radford was first taken ill in the city of Chicago his condition was not considered a critical one. His wife, however, reached his bedside several days before the demise came. The funeral was held at the First Methodist Church at Pine Bluff on October 16.

Brother Radford was born at Fond du Lac, Wis., October 6, 1856, and was initiated into Hoo-Hoo at the concatenation held at Pine Bluff, Ark., October 28, 1899. At the time of his death he was manager for the railroad department of the Sawyer & Austin Lumber Company, of Pine Bluff, and was regarded as one of the most competent employes of that concern. He was of a genial nature and possessed many fine traits of character. He is survived by his wife and two brothers, W. J. and Ed Radford.

Rudolph Jacobs Finck (No. 3000).

Brother Rudolph Jacobs Finck, of Louisville, Ky., died at his home in that city on October 12. Except the formal notice of his death received from his brother, Mr. Bert Finck, of Louisville, the Scrivenoter has received no account of Brother Finck's death. For several years he had been in business for himself under his own name in Louisville. He was a native of Louisville, being born in that city on November 27, 1873, and was initiated at a concatenation held there on March 11, 1895.

The Romance of the American Pearl.

The story of the American pearl dates back to prehistoric times. The mound-builders of the Ohio, Tennessee and Cumberland valleys long ago worked the gem-growing beds of mussels, for food chiefly, without doubt, but not

ignoring the "trinkets" by any means. A bushel of "slugs"—pearls of irregular shape—has been discovered in a sacrificial mound in the Ohio Valley. The pearls were all pierced and burnt, and therefore intrinsically valueless. Still more remarkable are the discoveries in mounds of gorgets which must have been very beautiful when the red chiefs wore them. All the gorgets found have thirteen scallops, and in each scallop was mounted a pearl. Today, undrilled, and with their primal lustre, they would have been worth \$500 or more each. Unfortunately, pearls decay in the ground, else searching for pearls around Indian camps and mounds along Southern rivers might be a profitable industry.

There is no way of knowing how many pearls children have played with and men have tossed away, unaware of their value. But the number must be considerable. A pearl-fisher whom I met in the swamps of Arkansas told me of his taking a "pretty little trick" out of a shell on an Alabama river when he was a boy. He and his sister played with it for a while, and finally lost it.

"Hit war big as a marble," the man said, "an' I bet it was worth a thousand dollars, yassuh! If I'd on'y knowed what I do now!"

One day, about 1880, a man found a curious "little trick" in a Caney Fork mussel shell. Two boys, W. E. Myer and Herman Myer, the latter only twelve years of age, heard about the find and went to examine it. These boys were wide readers, their father having encouraged them to save their money and send to New York for a "box of books." In one of these books they read that pearls were found in mussel shells, and pearls were very valuable. Herman had \$15 and his brother \$90. At sight of the find they pooled their money and began to buy pearls. As soon as the fishermen about Caney Fork knew pearls could be sold, the pearl excitement began. The boys bought everything. They paid fifty cents, a dollar, and even five dollars for the finds. In a few days their money was gone, and they possessed a little phial of pearls. Some were very small, and their shapes were various. The boys, however, thought "perhaps pearls were moulded together into large pearls" as they had seen bullets moulded by hunters out of lead. They rather expected a million dollars for their pearls, and certainly not less than \$100,000. Bravely the elder brother rode away on horseback with his fortune. He reached Nashville two days later before daybreak, and waited for the jewelry-stores to open. The first jeweler looked at the pearls with some interest, and finally said:

"I'll give you two and a half for them."

"Two and a half what?" the boy asked, wondering whether the man meant millions or mere thousands.

"Dollars!" the jeweler answered. The boy, believing a man who would offer such a sum for the precious gems would steal them, gathered them up hastily, and went forth quickly. Another jeweler did not want them at any price. Another offered \$3.50, and at last the boy rode home again, sadder and wiser. Wiser, because he had learned two most useful facts: that only bright, round pearls were valuable, and that large ones were found large—not moulded.

The boys finally sold the lot for \$3.15 to a man in Philadelphia. They lost \$122.85 in cash by the transaction, but Herman Myer laid the foundation of expert knowledge in the trying days of loss by studying the letters from the jewelers. He continued to buy pearls and seek pearl information, and finally left the banking business in order to study pearls. He put the Caney Fork pearls on the market. From Caney Fork news of the finds went through the country, and people in Ohio, Arkansas, and on the upper Mississippi tributaries began to recognize the possibilities of the dark shells in the streams.

The field market of the pearls changes from place to place. At first it was at Caney Fork. Since then it has shifted through half a dozen localities. In 1902-3, it was at Newport, Ark. Now it is at Vincennes, Ind. Next year it may be in Alabama or in Texas. The market to which the pearls at last drift is Maiden Lane, New York City, from which place they go to their wearers.—Raymond S. Spears in Harper's Weekly.

The Practical Side.

The men whose Hoo-Hoo names appear in the notices below are out of work and want employment. This is intended as a permanent department of The Bulletin, through which to make these facts known. It is, or should be, read by several thousand business men who employ labor in many varied forms, and it can be made of great value in giving practical application to Hoo-Hoo's central theme of helping one another. It is hoped the department will receive very careful attention each issue.

Some of our members advertising in The Bulletin fail to advise me when they have secured positions so an old ad keeps running for months and months. To avoid this I have adopted the plan of running the ads as long as three months and then if I have heard nothing from the advertiser I will cut his ad out. If at the end of the three months he still wishes me to continue it he must advise me.

WANTED—Position as planer foreman, circular saw flier or outside manager of saw or planing mill. Have had thirty years' experience in yellow pine. Have A-1 credentials, also good reference. Address "H. S. L.," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—Position after the first of the year as planing mill superintendent. Have had sixteen years' experience in some of the largest mills in the South and can handle short or long leaf pine. Can furnish best of references. Address "J. U. M.," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—A first-class woodsman who understands logging in hilly country and is familiar with land lines, etc. Will want him by middle of December. Address W. B. Flowers, Selma, Ala.

WANTED—Position as manager, bookkeeper or yard foreman, or assistant in either position with some good lumber concern. Have been actively in the lumber business for the past fifteen years and can furnish good references. Address "Angelo," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—Position by lumber accountant who has had fifteen years' experience with saw mill concern in the South. Am considered a high class man and will refer to former employers in Mississippi and Louisiana. Am 35 years of age, single and in good health. Address "No. 624," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—By an all-round lumberman of twenty-four years' experience, position as foreman, shipping clerk or superintendent. Can furnish the best of references. Pacific Coast preferred. Address "4624," care J. H. Baird Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—Position either in the wholesale business or as manager of the retail yard, by one who is thoroughly acquainted with yellow pine. Have had about 12 years' experience. Address "P. M.," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—Position by thoroughly competent expert man, understanding all branches of the business, buying, selling, shipping and chartering. Am forty years old and have a family; would prefer Oregon or Washington. Address "Export," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—A young man with twelve years' experience in the lumber business (both wholesale and retail) wishes to secure a position. Best of references. Address "P. C. W.," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—Position as naval stores manager by experienced man capable of buying, grading and selling, and conversant with clerical details connected therewith. Also experienced in lumber. Excellent references. Address "M. J. K.," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—Position with some good lumber concern, either as buyer and shipping clerk or as yard man. Am willing to go anywhere, and can give first-class reference. Have had twelve years' experience in the lumber business, and am thoroughly familiar with all grades of hardwood. Am thirty years of age. Address "J. C. M.," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—Position as assistant manager or superintendent of saw mill plant. Thoroughly understand the lumber business from the stump to the best of references. Especially in pine, spruce or hardwoods. Can furnish references. Address "Opportunity," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—Position as manager of retail yard somewhere in the west. I hold such a position now and have made good; can furnish best of references as to character, ability and experience. Address "Bluffton," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—Position as manager of retail lumber business on the Texas coast or Brownsville country. Have had twelve years' experience as bookkeeper and manager. Am now 31 years old and can furnish best of reference. In answering state the nature of your work, the place and the salary paid. Address "B. W. C.," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—Position as manager of retail lumber yard. Have had seven years' experience and can give good reference. Address "F. E. P.," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—Position with good lumber concern. Have had twelve years' experience in yellow pine business as buyer, inspector and foreman of mills and yard. Can give best reference. Address J. McDevitt, Hattiesburg, Miss.

WANTED—Position with some good yellow pine company as traveling salesman. Have had eleven years' experience in yellow pine as general superintendent of mills from stump to car. Know lumber and can make good on road. Can furnish best of reference. Will accept place as superintendent with a good mill company. Address H. J. Jennings, Doorn, Ga.

WANTED—First class lumber grader for Western and Idaho white pine. Thirty cents per hour. If you understand the business, call on us. Post Falls Lbr. & Mfg. Co., Post Falls, Idaho.

WANTED—Position with some lumber concern. Can handle hardwood mill. Am thoroughly acquainted with the hardwood business. I would like a position with some railroad as inspector, but would take any kind of position that would offer chance for promotion. Am married, sober and industrious. Address "Arkansas," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

WANTED—To represent some good company as buyer on salary and expenses in long and short leaf pine, car material, dimension and dunnage stock. Am acquainted with some of the largest manufacturers in the South; can save middle man's profit buying at small mills rough, and have stock remitted, locating at some small town where remilling facilities exist and going out among the smaller mills and buying such stock as office may call for. Address "Temple," care J. H. Baird, Scrivenoter, Nashville, Tenn.

Trying to Fool Yourself.

If you can't afford something you crave, try and persuade yourself it is not good for you.

It isn't marriage that is a failure, but the husband or wife—sometimes both.

Life is a dangerous business—nobody gets out of it alive.

If Wine's a poison, so is Tea.

Tho' in another shape.

What matter whether one is kill'd

By canister or grape.

—Thomas Hood.

An orator is a man who can talk without thinking. A wise man is one who can think without talking.

The annihilation of matter is unthinkable. Decomposition is recombination, and recombination is resurrection. —Herbert Spencer.

Man's reach should exceed his grasp,

Or what's a Heaven for?

—Browning.

Self-love is the condition of all love—the bud must flower before it can seed; the sun is the sun to its last outpost of flame.—Benjamin De Casseres.

Think of What It Omits.

Don't get mad at what a newspaper says about you. Be thankful for what it doesn't say.

Read Carefully.

Notice is hereby given that arrangements have been made whereby the following banks are designated as subdepositories of the fund of Hoo-Hoo, each bank named being authorized to receive dues and other moneys due the Order, to issue temporary receipts therefor and to report collections daily to the Scrivenoter's office when the regular form of acknowledgment (admission card) will be promptly mailed each payee. This arrangement is entered into for the convenience of our members residing in and near the leading centers where Hoo-Hoo membership is large:

Hibernia Bank & Trust Company, New Orleans, La.

The American Trust & Savings Bank, northeast corner Monroe and Clark Streets, Chicago, Ill.

The Scandinavian American Bank, Seattle and Ballard Station, Wash.

The Lumberman's National Bank, Houston, Texas.

Third National Bank, St. Louis, Mo.

Seaboard National Bank, San Francisco, Cal.