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THE QUARREL AS IT STANDS.

Between the protectionists and anti-protectionists of the Democratic party there is increasing acerbity. Bryan takes a hand and Tammany takes a hand and the sugar-plum eaters of Louisiana and the sugar-plum eaters of the sugar trust of New York take a hand and denunciations fly thick and fast.

That material interests are always the basis of party divisions and party action is proved once more by the present agitation of the tariff question. Abstract ideas afford no ground for serious contention; but men will fight for their "interests," and while they fight, will search for "moral principles" to justify their action.

Likewise now, groups of people, both North and South, taking counsel of their "interests" and framing their desires to fit them, will probably believe that the material interests of the country depend on maintenance of a tariff system that enriches themselves, and perhaps their own localities in some degree—since it forces and sustains certain local industries, though at the expense.

Once more, "the tariff is a local question." It is undeniable that the Democratic party, the foe of protection under the old régime, is now in many sections of the country taking its attitude. This is most observable in several of the Southern states and in the City of New York.

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who attempt to establish a European dynasty in Mexico, cost him his life, lost her reason in the same venture in Leopold's dominions during all the years that have since passed—her whim of imperialism being humored by order of her brother through the establishment of a miniature court over which she, in mad fancy, rules as Empress. With this single exception that proves him humane, Leopold has shown himself entirely inhuman, ruthlessly bending every creature with whom he has associated, in the domestic, social or business realm, to his own ends.

Leopold will be the first European sovereign to visit as such the courts of Pekin and Tokio, and he is likely to receive a cordial welcome in his official capacity, though the shrewd financiers of the Republic, who look coldly upon him, will doubtless regard him as a man who has no personal business interests and foreign trade.

VANITY OF VANITIES

Most people agree that women are, upon the whole, more civilized than men, but some of the things women do with a smiling face and a happy air hinder us from placing even their standards very high.

Portland demands a good pilotage and towage service on the bar. We would like to secure this at the least possible cost, but the rate of \$100 per month, 10 years old, with 50 miles, dropped exhausted upon the ground at the end, perspiring freely, became rigid from reaction and died three weeks later as a result.

JOAN OF ARC.

Joan of Arc has been an interesting figure ever since the enigmatic events of her life occurred. The literature which deals with her history and character from one point of view and another is among the most extensive and varied in the world.

A BLEND OF SENTIMENT AND MONEY.

William D. Corbin, president of the Kansas City Oil Company, upon being notified recently to remove the emerald body of his wife's pet dog from the family burial place in Sharon Cemetery, at Merion, Mo., retorted hotly that if the dog, his wife's companion for seventeen years, that had been duly embalmed, placed in a metallic coffin and buried in the cemetery, he would be removed, he would dig up the dog and move also to some more Christian burial place the bodies of his relatives including his father, mother, two brothers and various others and cancel the \$10,000 which he had set apart to Sharon Cemetery, adding: "I would not want to leave the dust of any of my people in such a community."

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In the United States," made so many attempts to exact exorbitant toll from ships coming to this port that our reputation was suffering. Unless the Puget Sound Tugboat Company would be willing to give bonds for Captain Bailey's good behavior, it would be useless to discuss an alliance by which our shipping should again be placed at his mercy.

Towing, however, is only one branch of the business. Our commerce has suffered more from an unsatisfactory pilotage service than from the actions of Captain Bailey as a tugboat man. There seemed to be no way in which the stage trouble could be reached except by taking over the pilotage, the former being an unwelcome attachment of the latter.

The Marathon race has, like other extreme tests of physical endurance, grown into an abuse that has in some instances resulted seriously. Proof of this is abundant and incontrovertible. A slender, 10 years old, with 50 miles, dropped exhausted upon the ground at the end, perspiring freely, became rigid from reaction and died three weeks later as a result.

THE BAKER CITY BELLIES.

There is protest in Baker papers against calling their town "Baker City." It is a protest well made. Call the city Baker. "Baker City" belittles the name of Andrew Baker, a mighty pioneer. City and county perpetuate the name of a great orator—the greatest whom the Pacific Coast ever knew—and of a great patriot, who gave his life for the cause of freedom and for perpetuation of a single nationality within the territory of the United States.

ENTERPRISE TOWN OF DES MOINES, IOWA.

The startling statement is made that the police force of Des Moines, Iowa, is to be employed for the purpose of suppressing the mashers, who have become intolerable nuisances in the Iowa city. There are no particulars given as to the requirements of candidates for the position, whether they are to be young or pretty, fair or dark, tall or short, or if there is to be any question of age.

THE STEAMER KENNEDY.

The steamer Kennedy, Portland built, is fastest on Puget Sound. Before her, the Flyer was fastest. Puget Sounder the Flyer was also built in Portland. It would seem that the Mayor ought not to be so severely censured for the acts of his moral squad of police; for since the Wymire outrage he evidently feels the necessity of enforcing moral reform to the limit.

THE BUREAU OF THE BUREAU.

Two things, says Burke, seem not to have been given to man, namely, to tax and to please and to love. That's the quarrel now over the tariff bill. Of course, if Fulton should get that job, the news boosting for the other candidate would be very happy to congratulate the court.

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It is absurd to raise the question of the necessity of raising the tariff. It is not an issue of primary importance. It is not an issue of primary importance. It is not an issue of primary importance. It is not an issue of primary importance.

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officials helped condemn and murder this unfortunate girl has since canonized her, and there is no doubt that she adorns the calendar of the saints. France, which deserted her in the hour of her need, has since accepted her as a national genius. Voltaire's wretched fictions concerning her could not be published in the France of today, while, if Shakespeare were to reappear and put her in another play, she would figure as something very different from the slatternly "Pucelle" of his "Henry VI."

The new world, inner and outer, could not be ours as a gift even from God. In the nature of the case we must, through our own efforts, not in a position to deny that we could not do this should science conclude that he never lived at all.

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