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A PROFITLESS CHANGE.

To many persons the result of the Maine election is strongly indicative of a sweeping Democratic victory in the November elections. The success of Mr. Foss in Massachusetts, who overthrew a large Republican majorfty, the disaster to Mr. Aldridge in New York and the reduced Republican majority in Vermont point in the same direction. The Democratic New York World fairly goes wild with delight over the prospect and shouts its anticipations in tones that can be heard thousands of miles. "The size of the Democratic victory," it declares, "will be staggering." Perhaps it will The victory will certainly be perplexing, no matter what its size happens TO: be-

Just what the country can expect In the way of benefit from a Democratic regime is difficult to imagine In what respect would Champ Clark be preferable to Cannon as Speaker? He is utterly barren of ideas, bidebound in his political theories, blind to the trend of the times and prejudiced against popular legislation. men doubt that if he were Speaker he would play the game of politics very much as Cannon did. If the old rules of the House promised partisan agvantage he would do his best to have them retained.

The Democratic party is barren of intelligence. It has no programme, no platform. On the subject of the tariff it is hopelessly divided. Regarding the control of corporations it stands in an indefensible position. Mr. Bryan's notion that the trusts can be destroyed is widely popular among his party men, but every dent of the subject knows that it is impracticable. What the Democrate would do to give us better Government is as much a mystery to themselves as it is to the rest of the They leave us all in the dark because they are in the dark

The Nation is perfectly well aware of the aridity of Democratic leaderthip and in turning to that party it expresses resentment rather than con-The resentment is directed against the party which has been in power. The lack of confidence in the party which receives power is manifest everywhere. Why then make the change? Because it is supposed that by turning out one set of rescals and putting in another, some important political lesson is taught. What the is nobody seems able to tell exactly, but no doubt the Maine electerate is thoroughly convinced that it Since the Civil War the Democratic

party has been entrusted with power how and then, not often certainly, but often enough to show how incapable In the South its control has continuous for many years. What has it done there to indicate that it favors progressive ideas? After fifty years of Democratic rule the South is wedded to sectional protec-It is involved deeply in the scandal of child labor. In many sections where Democratic majorities are invariable peonage is practiced. The infamous system of leasing convicts to private contractors obtains with the accompaniment of the abhorrent chain gang. It is in the Democratic South that the hookworm has becoma menace to the health of the people for lack of simple sanitary decency. too, intelligent negroes have men are permitted to vote. The right of suffrage is severed utterly from a matter of the complexion. is intensely medieval in its entire spirit. It understands nothing of the would care nothing about them if it did understand

When the Democrats had an opsortunity to revise the tariff under Cleveland and put their beautiful free trade theories into practice, what did they do? They perpetrated a fraudulent revision which their Presdept denounced as a piece of "perfidy and dishonor." Is there any reason to expect that they would make a better or more honest job of it should they try again? What men of light and leading can the Democrats point to among their leaders? What man Bryan to be sure, but the people have shown three times over what they think of him. There is Bailey with his brilliant tint of iridescent oil. There is the respectable Mr. Folk of Missouri. Whom among them would the Nation trust to supervise a re-

The fact of the matter is that the great popular leaders of the day are Republicans. Many of them are not in harmony with the older lead-Republican doctrines and without exception they stand by the last National platform. If the tariff is to be revised the country wants the job done by men who will follow out the ful. Such is human nature. Ulti-plan of attending to the schedules mately the surplus of feminine labor separately after full information has been acquired. This is a Republican In the meantime we must not be too The Democratic doctrine, if there is such a thing, looks to a sweeping move toward free trade. This yould mean another revision by deals

and swindles. Still the country is going Democratic this Fall if Maine is a true tired of Beelzebub and so, they turn seeking out candidates who belong to for at retail rates. The human labor reprobated by any community as con- stop the fight.

Cite Oreginnan the school neither of Beelzebub nor Belial, but in other parts of the country the elections may tell a different

story.

THE LOGIC OF GOOD ROADS.

Judge L. R. Webster, secretary of the Oregon Good Roads Association, is authority for the statement that the entime state seems to have awakened to the importance of good public highways. In his view "Oregon is now paving the way for one of the best public road systems in the Union." Visions of old cordurey roads, of mud hub leep on the level and ruts of unknown depth on one side or the other; of floundering horses, straining harness and creaking, groaning wagons, jogging along over country roads in the strenuous effort required to get half a load of farm supplies to market over a ten-mile stretch about the holiday sean, are conjured up by this an-

nouncement. We are glad to know that roads of this class have been supplanted in some sections of the state by good highways, passable at all seasons to farmers' wagons and automobiles We will be glad further to chronicle at any time and for any district of the state the extension of the public road system which Judge Webster so confidently extols.

It is, moreover, refreshing to one system or public utility that esing of that term in this era of the political blatherskite, but holds to a safe and sane public policy. Good roads are for the people. And we are told every day and many times a day that what the people want they can have. Ergo, if the people of Oregon want good roads, let them go to it. They need good roads in their business if ever people did.

ZEPPELIN'S BAD LUCK.

There never was an inventor wh had worse luck than Count Zeppelin It seems as if every accident that could possibly happen to his ill-fated balloons had happened, but it would be a mistake to think so. The next one will fall a victim to some new calamity, following the bad example of the previous six. The motto "Try, try again," is singularly applicable to his case, though it is by no means certain that "if perseverance doth appear, he will conquer, never fear." He has already persevered as much as can be reasonably expected from a mere mortal, and the signs of conquest are still very dim.

His repeated accidents convince one that no dirigible will ever be reasonably safe from the unexpected until the entire list of possible contingencies has been exhausted. The contrivance is so novel and at the same time so complex that there is every opportunity for the unforeseen to edge its way in. So far as steam engines are concerned, mechanics know all about They have been tested in all imaginable circumstances. Their weaknesses have thus been discovered and gradually eliminated. When they were new they suffered as many accidents as the dirigible balloon.

One by one the chances for break age, explosion and fire in the make-up of the dirigible will be tabulated. Men will be educated to remember exactly what and where they are and in that way provision will be made against them. From one point of view the continual misfortunes which pursue Count Zeppelin are matter for thankfulness, since each one teaches a new lesson about the defects of his airship. It is a great deal better to let the accidents occur one after another in the experimental stage than o wait until some vessel starts out with a load of passengers and then set the fireworks going. It is not to be expected that the conquest of the air will be perfected without many failures and some loss of life. We have witnessed both, but for all that the art of aviation has advanced farther in ten years than navigation did In its first ten centuries. As men rise to higher things on their dead selves, so human achievement advances to its goal by way of failures.

IDLE WOMEN AND DRINK.

Dr. Anna Wells Bloomer, of New apartments and restaurant dinners. The former make housekeeping too easy. The latter encourage the consumption of ardent spirits besides absorbing rapidly what money the head of the family possesses. Probably sections this impeachment must be partially confessed. Housekeeping everywhere is a great deal less toilsome than it was in the days been disfranchised while victous white of yore. Spinning, weaving, and to so that the Winters are less severe a large extent sewing, have been turned over to machinery. The house character and intelligence and made wife once attended to them herself. Could A new contrivance banishes the dear anything be more idiotic? Still it is old broom wherever electricity is typical of the Democratic party which available and everybody knows how many things are now bought in ready cooked parcels which were once the interests or desires of the country and product of the home kitchen. In cities the delicatessen shop thrives on the decay of the cook stove. All this naturally leaves vast sections of vacant time on the hands of the eman cipated housekeeper. What is to be done with it? Dr. Bloomer asseverates that most of it is spent in gambling, drinking and lounging about the counters of luxurious stores

She may be right. One can hardly expect a woman who has no work on hand to sleep all day and all night, She must have some occupation, and est fires, which are started by hunters if nothing better offers she may gambling and drink. take to An of the whole caboodle enjoys the con- idle brain is the devil's workfidence of the Nation? There is shop, and an idle hand is his fatool. Some women seek to employ the time which the migration | the Fairbanks district alone ten times of the old-fashioned industries has left without occupation in politics and as is used. This unfortunate condition religion. But their more ethereal sisters tell them that if they make speeches or vote they will be unsexed. while in the churches St. Paul is quoted at their heads. "Let women keep silence in church," he wrote so many years ago that it is holy now even if it was foolish in the first place. It is Alaska, with mountains of coal and a trifle silly, is it not, to expect women forests of illimitable extent, is comers of their party, but they hold to a trifle silly, is it not, to expect women to pass their lives in utter vacancy They must do something with their energies and if the useful is closed the Alaskan situation is interesting in to them they will turn to the bane power will find a profitable outlet

badly scared if it pours into little eccentricities of conduct. Dr. Wells Bloomer is probably mistaken in thinking that it costs more to dine at restaurants than to prepare meals at home. The family kitchen is one of the most wasteful devices sign of the times. The people are on earth. To cook a single dinner is uses fire sufficient for a hundred. to Belial for comfort. In Maine at The material purchased for it is nec-

necessary to cook one meal would trary to all of the legitimate intents cook a dozen just as well. It seems to follow, therefore, that any ordi- ises neither the upbuilding of a nary family would save money by to a restaurant. No doubt the temptation to drink wine with meals greater in public than in private. the individuals who enter into it. Such habits are matters of fashion record of all such marriages as fr largely. Possibly Dr. Wells Bloomer would wish to revise her remarks if study.

RAILBOADS' COLOSSAL FIGURES.

The railroads of the country enjoyed a billion-dollar year in 1969, their net earnings for that period amounting in exact figures to \$1,018,041,837, a gain of more than \$100,000,000 over the previous year. As a rule, statistics are dry reading, but those which appear in the 1910 edition of Poor's Manual of Railroads are so bewildering in their immensity that they show es nothing else can show the tremendous part which the railroads play in the business life of the Nation. learn, for example, that the 238,356 miles of railroad under operation in 1909 had a capital stock of eight bilions and a bonded debt of nine bil-800 tons of freight. There was a decrease of more than 70,000,000 in the number of passengers carried, but they were carried farther than in the preceding year, the passenger train miles numbering 100,000,000 more than in 1908. The average revenue passenger mile decreased from 1.964 in 1908 to 1.934 in 1909, and there was an increase in the freight earnings from 0.737 in 1908 to 0.757 last year.

It is in presenting the mileage figures in detail that the report makes the heaviest draft on mathematics. for we observe that the number of passengers carried one mile was 29,-896,152,391, while there were 227,198,-932,735 tons of freight moved a mile. There was an increase of 6.310 miles in new road during the year, the largest increase since 1888, when 6.900 miles were added to the total. The overwhelming importance freight traffic as compared with the passenger business is shown in the gross receipts of \$578,243,601 for pasengers and \$1,720,863,413 for freight earnings.

The retrenchment policy which was inaugurated to meet the shrinking business following the 1967 panic was reflected in operating expenses 66.09 per cent of the earnings, compared with 70.17 per cent in 1908. This percentage is the smallest that has been recorded in the past ten years, and is in a considerable degree due to improved tracks and equipment that admit of great economies in operation The expenditure by which these ecor omies were made possible is also re flected in the increased capital stock and bonded debt. The total capitalization per mile in 1909 was \$75,905. compared with \$62,268 ten years ago when the era of improvement in trackage and equipment began. The extensive railroad projects under way this year will undoubtedly result in substantial increases in all departments of the great industry.

OVER-CONSERVED ALASKA.

The immensity of Alaska and its rejust issued by the forestry department. This report, which is the work of Assistant Forester R. S. Kellogg, is devoted to the forests of the great north land, and shows about 100,000,000 acres of forest or wooded land. this Mr. Kellogg classes 20,000,000 acres as saw timber and 80,000,000 acres as chiefly fuel timber. logg's views on conservation of Alaska's timber resources are much at variance with those of the Pinchot faddists. In regard to the saw timber he "It should be manufactured states: into the most suitable forms and sold wherever it best can be marketed Natural barriers, so far unsurmounted prevent it from being of benefit to the interior, where the need is greatest and the price highest. The annual growth of the coast forests is far in excess of the local needs, and unless methods of York, has come out against small utilization are developed which will result in the export of forest products these forests cannot be handled

rightly." Timber resources of this magnitude are alone sufficient to attract eapital and induce development if the Government were more liberal in its policy Even in the fuel timber belt and along the mild south coast, where the warm currents of the ocean temper the winds than those of Connecticut, there are wonderful possibilities for agriculture There is an abundance of moisture and the soil is marvelously rich. Unde existing conditions, however, settlers will be few and far between, for, in the words of the New York Sun, "it is obvious that capital will not interest itself in remote Alaska unless the development of its resources is permitted on a liberal scale and the law extends protection to investors. There must be much money sunk before even a fair return is assured. The miner will pass and the farmers will flock in

when the way is made easy.' With these vast Alaskan forests so horoughly conserved that neither labor nor capital has any opportunity to make them of the slightest use to mankind, they are an easy prey to forand prospectors in many cases as a smudge to keep away mosquitoes, and with nothing to prevent their spread. the annual loss from this source is very heavy. It is estimated that as much timber is destroyed annually will continue until Alaska is given a form of government adapted to it needs. It is regrettable that this vast treasure-house should remain practically tenantless at a time when the entime civilized world is seeking a little more elbow room, and when ever pelled to import coal and lumber. an example of Pinchot conservation, the extreme. For all that, it is hard on the handful of Alaskans who are desirous of company and capital.

The power of public sentiment was shown when the management of the pure food show, now in progress in this city, was forced to cancel the arrangement whereby a white girl was to marry a Chinaman at the Armory this evening. A spectacle of this kind would would be shocking to a sense of public decency, whatever the setting arranged for it. Such a marriage is under social and racial ban, and should either be ignored or openly

and purposes of marriage. It prom nor the establishment of a family that abandoning its kitchen and resorting will be a possible social, political economic asset to the commonwealth. nor yet a factor in the happiness of record of all such marriages as far as have become known is that of humiliation, ostracism and personal she should give the subject more unhappiness. Public sentiment canno in all cases prevent such marriages, but it can at least withhold its sanc tion from them. This is what has been done in this case. The Chinaman will probably claim his mistaken bride, but the public will not recognize the marriage.

Copenhagen reports regarding the discovery of the North Pole, or anything in connection therewith, for obvious reasons will be received with less confidence than would have greeted them a year ago. For that reason the report that John R. Bradley, financial backer of Cook, the alleged discovered of the North Pole, is now on his way to Etah to recover Cook's records will be received with the customary grain The steamer which this information from Greenland to lions. During the year they carried Copenhagen also has a report from \$24,423,075 passengers and 1.635,215. two missionaries who say that the Eatwo missionaries who say that the Eskimos who accompanied Cook insist that the explorer reached the North Pole, as he claims, prior to its discovery by Peary. The chances for Cool to prove that he was not the greatest faker of the century are remote indeed. If, however, a miracle should happen in the far north and deliver to Cook records by which he could establish his claim. Copenhagen scientific stock would soar far above par.

> Southern Oregon is full two weeks late this year, for it was not until Septem ber 14 that the first fatality was re-ported. Of course Southern Oregon has no monopoly of this class of manslaughter, but that section of the country always seems to score first and most frequently. The alarming frequency of these killings offers a field for speculation as to whether deer are scarce or plenty in that part of the The fact that so many men are state. killed might naturally lead to the belief that there are more hunters than deer. from another the numerous inquests which are necessary during the deer season might also mean that there were so many deer as to attract the many hunters One phase of the problem is exceptionally clear, and that is that a great many Southern Oregon hunters have the habit of shooting first and distinguisihng a man from a deer after wards.

The "mistaken-for-a-deer" season in

The American Indian has made his last raid, the trainrobbers and bad gun men of the West are also rapidly becoming an extinct species. Down in the sunny South, however, there still remains a type of murderous, uncivilized outlaw that is fully as great a disgrace to American civilization as any of the other pests that have cursed the country with their presence. This Southern blot on the escutcheon is the cowardly, barn-burning, woman-whipping, murderous night-rider. Kentucky seems to be the most unfortunate of the states infested by these unhanged outlaws. In Bracken County a sources is strikingly shown in a report farmer had his barn burned for no other reason than that he had last Summer permitted the state militia to camp on his farm. It is a waste of money to send funds to the heathen in darkest Africa and other isolated parts of the world so long as we have night-riders on American soil.

Professor Horner, of the State Agriiltural College, is doing good service in presenting the names and contribu ions of Oregon writers to the public His lecture on "Oregon Literature, given at Hawthorne Tabernack Wednesday evening, was pleasing and informatory, though many names known to the reading public of the Pacific Northwest as representing ploneer literature were omitted in his necessarily brief summary. We are yet too close to the lives and efforts of these early writer to do them full justice. It is in the line of justice, nevertheless-and loyalty as wellthat seeks at this time to bring the efforts of even some of these early writers of Oregon to the attention of the public that knew them not personally.

Further evidence of how inexpensive it is to run for office under the direct primary is offered by "Dick" Ferris, of California, who was nominated for Lieutenant-Governor. His bill was only \$5400.

Coffee will probably cost the cor sumer 35 per cent more this Winter, because the Brazilian crop is short. This will increase the use of many substitutes, to the betterment of the user's health.

Use of the Devil's Slide in Weber's Canyon as an accessory in its initiatory ceremony by a great fraternity gives a touch of realism that beats coming down Mount Hood in a dishpan.

While Mr. Roosevelt is urging unity elsewhere, he might throw a little advice into Multnomah County, where the splitters have sharpened their tomahawks.

Americans who migrated to Canada and forswore allegiance should not be troubled in swearing back. Their punishment is already ample. Health Officer Wheeler's school in-

spectors are already looking for con-

taglous diseases. They cannot beat the fine comb in finding them. It is a pity the board that finds the North Dakota poorly designed was not in action when work began on the

Some members of election boards who take a 15-cent handout ordinarfly want a 50-cent dinner on election day.

battleship

Another deerhunter has killed his friend by mistake. By and by some men will take their wives on these

With six teams in the interscholastic League, Portland's real football season may be considered well started.

Candidates who inject religion and fraternity into their campaigns always get the worst.

At this distance it appears that the President is a triffle late stepping in to PUNISHED FOR BAD BROTHERS.

Eastern View of the Insult to Western Governors at St. Paul. New York Tin Colonel Roosevelt said things at the Ganeral Horatio C. King writes a very

Conservation Congress at St. Paul Tuesday that decided the Western Governors present to pack their grips and start for their home capitals. The crowd howled approval while the Colonel pitched into them on the issue of state control of water power. "If it were not for the special interests," he said, "you would never have heard of question of state as against National control." The Governors of the West were de-

nied a proper hearing. They and their plea were condemned beforehand. Yet in the West the people rule, if any-where. They pass and enforce good They elect strong Governors. The "Northwestern idea" concerns il states which contain the Federal public lands, and the forests, mineral wealth, and water powers therein. Hitherto the United states has held them, not as a perpetual proprietor, but as trustee for future holders in fee simple under the sovereignty and the taxing power of the states that pro-tect them. Mr. Roosevelt's plan would make the Federal Government the reipient forever of income from 144,000,-00 acres of forest, from one-third of the country's coal, and the largest untutored singer.
owner of oil and gas lands and of the power sites on 135 rivers in these 11 all, the assumpt states.

Suppose the states of this Union were 48 sons, inheriting a property when they become of age — statehood, and justified by historical facts. The Rusregular settlement on public lands. Thirty-seven, let us say, receive their great heritage free and clear. The remaining 11 sons, having fulfilled some of the necessary conditions and showing themselves able and willing to ful fill the others, demand their inherit-ance from their avuncular guardian. Uncle Sam replies: "No. I shall keep your inheritance forever. Your broth ers did not appreciate their share. They wasted much of it, they did not conserve it, they let wicked monopolists get much of it, they have been prodigal and dissipated and careless. Now I will take your share, not for you 11, but for the whole family. Your brothers have treated their inheritance badly, now you woust divide with them.

To which the 11 brothers, feeling the decision to be unjust, respond: "If you wish honestly that this property be conserved and protected, if you are not almply greedy of its revenues, give it over to our rightful use. Examine ou acts (laws), not our brothers' acts, and learn from them whether we will han-We have profited by die it properly. the warning of had examples, we have property and its revenues come to us for our upbuilding, not to be divided among our prodigal brothers, excepting as they come to us and join with us in developing it. Let it be for our ad-vancement, power, prosperity, and in-dependence."

VOTERS NOW UNDERSTAND IT. Assembly Has Strengthened Basic Principle of the Primary Law.

Grants Pass Observer. During the past year, when the Ob server was advocating the holding of Republican assemblies to correct the abuses introduced into the primary law by Democrats, it took occasion to fre quently assure its readers that the assemblies would in no way affect the rights of the people provided by the primary law. Probably every voter in stead of in any way weakening the people's privileges, the action of the Re-publican assemblies has, in fact, added an increased interest to the primary law among voters and candidates, and has greatly strengthened the basic prin-ciple of the law, which is that political candidates should be nominated by popular vote. The merit of that prin-ciple has been definitely accepted by

the Republican party in Oregon.

Here in Josephine County there is much activity in the local campaign. there are three Republican candida for the office of County Judge, and two or three for most of the other count offices. Of course, this is bad Repub ican politics, but it demonstrates to the e that every man who desires an office can submit his name at the pri mary election, and be judged upon by he voters. The Republican assemblies have in a way affected this privilege. notwithstanding the baseless der

The sole and only object of the assem-blies is to select the best men available in the Republican party who would consent to be candidates for the various public offices. These selected candi-dates, just as all other candidates, must submit to the judgment of the voters, and as to other candidates there is this difference only, that the candidates of the assembly are recommended by a reputable body of citizens to be capable and desirable, while practically all the other candidates have no recommendation but their own.

Some College Humor.

A new German professor in a girl's ollege, wishing to detain one of the students, sald: "Oh, Miss old you a minute after class?" The same profes The same professor, attending as spectator for the first time one of the girls' dances, remarked: "How charming the young ladies look in their low-

necked nightgowns!" This advice was given by one of the students to her mates; "Girls, take all courses you can with the men pro-fessors, for the women of the faculty ry to find how much you know, and he men try to show off how much

The wife of one of the professors warned him as he went off to offi-ciate at a funeral one rainy day: "Now, John, don't stand with your bare head on the damp ground; you'll surely catch cold."

Flummeries Eliminated.

. Batlimore Sun. There have been few of his predeceasors in the Presidential office, and perhaps not one unless it be Lincoln have possessed in equal degree with President Taft that quality of in-tellect that penetrates straight to wha is of essential importance in consider ing a public question, eliminating in the process the mere flummeries with which lesser minds always encumber important subjects.

Folly to Do So.

Catholic Standard and Times. Mr. Church-Whew! how it's raining. Lend me your umbrella, dear. I've got to run over to the vestry meeting. Mrs. Church-But why not use imbrella you've been carrying all the

Mr. Church-What! to the vestry meeting? Why, that's where I got it.

Girl's Superiority. Boston Glob

A man sometimes finds himself in trouble because he has two girls on his hands at one time, but nobody ever rattle a girl.

Knew What Was Coming. Houston Post.

"I've often marveled at your brilli-ancy, your apiness at repartee, your—"
"If it's more than \$5, old man, I can't thing for you. I'm nearly broke

Pittsburg Post.
Seven towns of Homer bragged that used to try to have him "vagged."

WANTED: A NATIONAL HYMN.

Reasons for Displacing "America" and "The Star Spangled Banner." Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

eensible letter to the New York Herald reviving the question as to the making of a National hymn, the words are music of which shall be American. "My Country, Tie of Thee" and the "Star Spangled Banner" he dismisses as un-American, both tunes being Englishthe one "God Save the King" and the other an "Ode to Anacreen," written by the English composer, Dr. Samnel Arnold, about the year 1802. "The Star Spangled Banner," he points out, moreover, embraces so much of the gamut as to be impracticable for the unvoice. "What the country needs," Gen eral King continues, "is a masterly dignified hymn wedded to an original tune; a fine choral such as the Russian national hymn, the tune to be simple, and in a small compase (less than an and in a small compass tress than an octave), so that everybody can sing it as they now sing 'America' to the English chorel.' The suggestion is added that a National competition might achieve the desired result, with the necessary proviso that the judges shall be restricted in their decision so that the words shall be worthy of the great subject and the music dignified, melodic and easily within the capacity of the

This idea is a rational one, for after all, the assumption that a National hymn must be evolved. like the folksian national hymn, than which there is none finer, was not a spontaneous evolution. It was ordered by the carr as he would order a case of wine or a new uniform, and the majestic words and sonorous music were prepared, de-livered and paid for on the spot. The czar knew that he had at his command a capable poet and a capable com-poser and he felt satisfied that he had only to call for an immortal hymn and his wish would be fulfilled with neat-ness and despatch.

The matter of securing an American hymn may, then, be regarded as de-pending on the presence in the country of just such men as the Russian ruler had at his beck and call when a Russian hymn was needed. If General King poet and a musician that fill the bill, the laborious resort to a competition should

WORKS FOR NATIONAL UNITY.

Every Vacationist Gets Away From His Limited Horizon.

Christian Herald. great result of the vacation sysem is that it broadens the horizon of people who would get all their knowledge of other parts of the country from books, and one short trip is worth several volumes. The people in worth several volumes. The people in the East like to go inland, and a large majority of solourners by the sea come from homes in the interior, and with ersonal acquaintance sectionalism eems childish and un-American. Probably nothing else has done so much to break up selfish local pride as the shifting of the Summer traveller from place to place, and the discovery that there are people worth knowing on the other side of what was formerly their limited horizon.

The vacationist in his trips from one state to another has been unconsciously playing, a political role as an agent of National unification, for in small and isolated communities, where the people stay year in and year out, the seeker for recreation comes, bringing with him some of the spirit of the outside world. Both natives and toursts are benefited by personal acquaint ance and exchange of opinions and The vacationist also plays an mportant part in international rela-The constant ebb and flow of tlons. ourist traffic across the Canadian border is undoubtedly one of the main reasons for the very cordial relations now existing between the two coun-

Words of the Wise

Prejudice is the child of ignorance. The present is the living sum total Diligence, above all, is the mother good luck.-Samuel Smiles. There is no better sign of a brave nan than a hard hand.—Shakespeare. Destiny bears us to our lot, and des-tiny is perhaps our own will.—Disraeli. is not so short but that there is always time enough for courtesy-

A single grateful thought toward heaven is the most complete prayer.

Obedience is not truly performed by the body of him whose heart is dissatisfied.—Saadl. The rarest feeling that ever lights human face is the contentment of a

oving soul.—Beecher.
Four precepts: To break off cusoms; to shake off spirits; to meditate on youth; to do nothing against one's sho genius.-Hawthorne.

Noah's Light Catch Explained.

London Sketch. Minister—And how did Noah spend is time in the ark? Small boy-Fishin'. Minister-A vera reasonable suggesion, my laddie. Small Boy (guardedly)-But he

ouldna catch muckle Minister (surprised)-What makes ye think that? Small Boy (knowingly)-Because, ye see, he had only two wir-r-ms!

From an article by Theodore Roosevelt in the Review of Reviews, September, 1896.

Furthermore, the Chicago convention attacked the Supreme Court! Again his represents a species of atavismthat is, of recurrence to the ways of thought of remote barbarian ancestors Savages do not like an independent and upright judiciary. They want the judge to decide their way, and if he joes not they want to behead him.

Willful Waste of Waters.

New York Sun. The Grand Young Man was making speech at the St. Paul congress. began to "pay a tribute" to the Hon. Gifford Pinchot, Gifford, an easy weeper, wept. Jimmy Garfield wept. Beveridge wept. The delegates wept. The audience wept. Everybody wept. A strange way of conserving water sites.

Her Preference.

"How would you like to go to the theater tomorrow night?" asked the young mun who had just been intro-"In an automobile," answered the girl,

Sounds Plausible.

Charleston News and Courier his hands at one time, but nobody ever his hands at one time, but nobody ever yet saw the men come fast enough to the fact that there are 5,000,000 people in New York living on the rest of the country.

Unprofitable Employment, Galveston News.

Probably there is no more unprofit-able employment on earth than that of counting the buttons down a wom

Where T. R. Stands Pat. Philadelphia North American

Anyway, Roosevelt stands put on the first pages of the newspapers.

LIFE'S SUNNY SIDE

The conductor of a Western freight The conductor of a Western freight train saw a tramp stealing a ride on one of the forward cars. He told a brakeman in the caboose to go up and put the man off at the next stop. When the brackman approached the tramp, the latter waved a big revolver and told him to been away.

and told him to keep away.
"Did you get rid of him?" the conductor asked the brakeman, when the train was under motion again "I hadn't the heart," was the was the reply

'He turned out to be an old school of mine." 'I'll take care of him," said the conductor, as he started over the tone of

After the train had made another top and gone on, the brakeman came into the caboose and said to the con

"No; he turned out to be an old chool friend of mine, too - Everyody's Magazine.

Dr. Miner Lee Bates, president of Hram College, enlivened, in a recent ddress at Hiram, O., a knotty etymo-ogical problem with a story. "We must dogde our problem as the

oy did." said Dr. Bates, "A teacher, you see, was having a great deal of difficulty in making clear to a boy the meaning of the word recuperate.

"'Now,' said the teacher, 'your father is a hard worker, lan't he?"

"'Yes, sir, he is said the boy, "'And when he gets home at night

e's dead tired, is he not?'
"'Yes, sir, he is,' said the boy. "Then, pursued the teacher, 'since it's night, and he's dead tired, and work's over, what does he do?"
"Why," said the boy, "that's what
mother wants to know," "-Washington Star.

There was a benefit performance for he Actor's Fund given in Washington last Spring, and Sir Charles Wyndham the veteran English player, volunteered. His part was to make a short speech telling how the funds realized were

to be applied. Two song-and-dance girls from one of the cheaper theaters came from their dressing-room, and stopped to await their call. One of them thought she would see what was going on, so she pecked out on the stage. "Who's on now?" her companion

asked. "Oh," said the other girl, "it's an d man doing a monologue. He's been old man doing a monologue. He's been on 10 minutes, and hasn't and a laugh!"-Lippincott's.

An embarrassing incident happened in a Southern town a few days ago which came near severing the friendship of a dozen years. Mrs Smith, anxious to know if there was any change in the condition of a neighbor who had been quite ill for several days, said to her little son:

"Run over, dear, and see how old Mrs. Corbett is." The child darted from the room and was absent only a few minutes when he rushed up to his mother, with a puzzeled expression playing over his face, and blurted out:
"Mamma, she said it is none of your

"Why, dear, what did you say to

"I just told her that mamma wanted to know how old she was."-National Monthly.

"It's curious to observe," says a Maryland man, "the manner in which many Hitterate persons prosper. Lonce had business that used to take me at intervals to a certain place on the Eastern shore. On one occasion I went into a store there, the proprietor of which could neither read nor write-While I was there a man came in-

evidently a regular customer. 'I owe you some money, don't I ' he inquired.

The storekeeper went to the door and turned it around so that the back was visible. 'Yes,' said he, 'you owe for a cheese.' "'Cheese!" exclaimed the customer.

don'e owe you for any cheese!" The storekeeper gave another l at the door. 'You're right,' said he. 'It's a grind-I didn't see the dot in the middle." "-Lippincott's.

Ed. Howe's Philosophy.

Atchison Globe

Some people are courteous only to strangers. What a busy man is compelled to neglect would keep a lazy man em-

The funniest jute hair the girls are wearing is the kind that sh a long way tehind.

There are all kinds of tastes in t is world, including people who enjoy the illustrated song at a moving picture

Have you noted how cordial and pleasant a hostess can be when her Summer guest announces that she will depart the following day? We know the laziest and most worth-

less man in the world; still, he knows how everything should be done—he's always criticising busy, capable and saying they don't do things right.

Another Slam.

Pittsburg Post. "I suppose you made some discoveron your trip."
"Yes; I found there really is a town called Oshkosh. I always thought that was just a minstrel joke."

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A Portland idyl in prose by a new writer who knows the child's heart, also the mother's, likewise the teacher's. Every parent will recognize the truthfulness of the scenes together with the pathos and the humor in them.

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