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THERE IS NO PEACE.

It is not possible for Russia and Japan to "get together." No observer who has taken in the whole scheme of differences between them has supposed it possible. The effort to bring them together has done credit to the humanity of President Roosevelt; but even President Roosevelt, with all his optimism, could hardly have supposed there was a chance of success.

UNITED STATES AND CUBA.

We are getting on well in our trade with Cuba. Official figures show that Cuba is steadily buying increasing quantities of goods from the United States. The exports from this country to the island in 1904 were \$2,742,000, against \$2,594,990 in 1903.

pit some of the men who are found there. Why this foolish assumption in regard to the value of the necessity of material things? Did not the Great Teacher declare the laborer worthy of his hire? And is it not a fact that no man values that for which he is not required to pay? And do not nineteen of all preachers who occupy pulpits regard the street preacher very much as the real estate dealer who sits in a well appointed office, looks upon a curbstone vender of town lots as a sort of pariah in the profession? Finally, is it not always well to credit the community in which one lives and makes his living by preaching or otherwise with some discernment?

A POINTER FROM THE BEES.

Mr. Bodine, superintendent of compulsory education for Chicago, in his remarkable address before the International Association of Factory Inspectors at Detroit, cited facts and ventured upon prophecies of ominous significance if they are true. His remarks touched upon the invasion by women of vocations once followed by men only.

THE BENNINGTON LESSON.

The Bennington disaster as an incident and a tragedy has passed into history. Its effects will be felt long in the homes that furnished the victims. But to the general public it has been superseded by the swiftly crowding events of the hour. The lesson, however, it is hoped, and believed, has not been lost.

FAY FOR PREACHERS.

Much that is the most arrant nonsense still passes current under the name of solemn, pious inspired, truth. Witness the following from a sectarian journal of this city:

LOWER CAR FARES IN PORTLAND.

Seattle residents pay four cents for car rides. Some day the people of Portland will demand four-cent fares, but will receive answer from the Consolidated Company: "We can't afford it."

THE DOOM OF CHICAGO.

Scientists of late have joined in doleful chorus in regard to the doom of Chicago. They do not, like evangelists in the old times, assert that the city one day will be submerged because of its wickedness. Their observations are made in the most cold-blooded manner possible and their conclusions are worked out with mathematical precision.

NEGRO COLONIZATION.

The Rev. Thomas Dixon, author of "The Leopard's Spots," revives the old scheme of negro colonization in Liberia as "the only rational basis" for solution of the negro problem. The matter deserves some attention, not on account of the merit or moderation of his opinions, but because he represents a certain class of Southerners, for one thing; and also because of an increasing tendency in the North to acquiesce, from weariness or indifference, in the extreme views of reactionary negro-phobes.

THE PACIFIC RAILWAY.

At the seventh annual congress of Zionists held in Basle, Switzerland, last month, careful consideration was given to the offer of Great Britain of a tract of land of 300 miles in East Africa for a self-governing Jewish colony.

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The Colonization Society, organized at Princeton in 1811, purposed to ship to Liberia free negroes only. William Lloyd Garrison approved of it at the beginning of his career. In 1832 he made a speech advocating the project, though he remarked soon then that the scheme was "blacking leaves from the Upas tree."

WATERWAYS AND THEIR OUTLETS.

In the agitation for the control of railroads, the fixing of fares and freights on the reasonable basis, the enforcement of equal rights and privileges, the public is apt to overlook the comparative transportation by water. One of the chief considerations in cheap and safe railroading is that of grade, which in rebilly governs cost.

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The Plea of the Poets.

O Mr. President, dear Mr. President, Won't you review my book? I cannot get noted, or copied or quoted, Either by hooks or by crooks.

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The Souvenir Lover and the Noise Hater were passing through the Manufacturers' building at the Exposition. The Souvenir Lover carried an armful of junk. She bade the Noise Hater, who was her husband, pause with her at a booth from which several megaphone funnels were pouring forth last year's songs in cracked voices.

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