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ARE OUR HANDS TIED?

The conciliatory attitude of the British government and the conciliatory tone of comment in British newspapers give every ground for belief that the controversy with this country regarding contraband of war will be amicably adjusted. Yet it becomes us to consider what steps this coun try might take to bring pressure to bear on Great Britain in case that country should prove obdurate,

One obvious expedient would be the declaration of an embargo on exports to Great Britain and her allies until they complied with the reasonable demands of this country. Great Britain is largely dependent on this country for supplies of food and raw materials, and both that country and its allies are to a considerable degree. dependent on us for war materials, for this is the greatest food-producing and manufacturing Nation that remains neutral. An embargo would undoubtedly do great injury to American industry and commerce, but it would do far more injury to the al-lies, which are engaged in a struggle for existence. The damage which this country would suffer, great though it would be, would be slight compared with the benefit to be derived from unobstructed flow of our commerce after our reasonable demands had been conceded. The injury to the allies would be so much greater that they would promptly come to terms, so that the injury suffered by this country would be limit-I to a short period.

The possibility of an embargo is Ill., doubtless do not differ in their ed to a short period.

not suggested with any expectation, much less desire, that it will become the country over, so results of necessary, but for the purpose of an investigation of school ground showing what bearing the Bryan play conducted in that city by the peace treaties have on the contro- Russell Sage Foundation are indicaversy. Those treaties, one of which tion of conditions that exist else-has been made with Great Britain, where. A brief report of the investi-provide that, when the two nations gation, issued by the Government fall by diplomacy to adjust a dispute, action by each to enforce its demands striking change has attended recreation war shall be deferred for one year, tion among pupils of the schools in during which period a joint commission to the last generation. sion shall inquire into the matter and preparations for war shall be sus-pended. While an embargo is not an frog, bull in the ring, hare and hounds, act of war, it is certainly an unfriend- and duck on the rock have practically ly act closely approaching war and the disappeared. About the only lively Bryan treaties might be construed as outdoor game now known to forbidding it. If they were not so construed, the embargo, once declared, is baseball. could not be withdrawn during the year without weakening our position. entire attention of boys after school it would cause such irritation on both hours. The agency that has crowded It would cause such irritation on both hours. The agency that has crowded sides as greatly to hinder amicable games of other days off the school adjustment. Thus the peace treaties grounds is the moving-picture show. the means of direct The movies are equally popular among

ation to war.

the girls. Jumping the rope, roller contingency thus described skating and hide and seek are still vocation to war. adds force to the remarks of Colonel indulged in, but standard games like Roosevelt in Everybody's Magazine I spy, London Bridge, fox and geese, that "treatles and international button button and blindman's buff are treaty is a promise. To make it be charged as injurious to morals. If and not redeem it is vicious."

The weightlest criticism of the bad in any way it is in continued atdo only at the sacrifice of some vital We should then be con- tional programme which includes fronted with the choice between sac-purchase of public school athletic rificing that vital interest and violat-fields, the keeping open of school ing the plighted word of the Nation. grounds to 6 P. M., and on Saturdays We ought not to expose ourselves to and during the vacation periods, with such a choice. The wise nation, like paid instructors in charge. To many wise man, studies well the terms of the present adult generation it will and effect of a contract before bind-ing itself, that it may know whether childhood days, that healthy boys and with safety to itself it can incur the girls need special inducement to en-obligation. Having bound itself, it gage in outdoor play. But the adult observes the contract to the full, at never experienced the indoor counter

UNCLE SAM'S GOUGE GAME.

The Postmaster-General is accuse by the Railway Age-Gazette of extravagantly overpaying star route contractors on the one hand and of cheating railroads by sharp practice on the other hand. As examples of the former kind, it cites the case of a star route contractor in Arizona who shipped 10,000 pounds of barley over his own route by parcel post and received for carrying it more than it was worth at its destination. Another star route con tractor in the same state bought 200,-000 brick at \$12 a thousand, packed them in parcels and shipped them over his own route by parcel post. He receives \$2.18 per hundred pounds for carrying the mail, though freight can be hauled over his route at 50

was built between two towns, which and might as well be at work. The asked. What shall we do now? were served by a steam road with two added expense is the per diem and the trains daily. On application of one mileage of juries. The term system Baker's master mind. He introduces which will exclude many a tale that trains daily. On application of one mileage of juries. of the towns frequent mail service should be abolished was established on the electric line. The rest of the reafter carried the bulk of the mail. At the next weighing of mail a clerk discovered an old law providing that no "streetcar" should be tried by the judge without be paid more than a steam road for carrying mail between two points. The Oregonian still clings to the interurban cars were classed as streetcars and their compensation was be tried in the lesser courts. If the

cut down to that of the steam road.

White House, he notified the job-

hunters that the door of his office was

a vast nuisance. It is more. It is

President Wilson, like all his prede-cessors, was either unable or unwill-

ing to surrender the immense patron-age of his office to others, and he has

been rewarding his friends, and slighting his enemies, in the good old

The President is required by the

Constitution to nominate and "with the advice and consent of the Senate

to appoint" all officers of the United

States "not otherwise provided for."

Upon this constitutional reservation

is built up the whole structure of

Senatorial courtesy." The President who ignores the powerful fact of

"Senatorial courtesy" makes a grave

strategic blunder; the President who

yields to it virtually surrenders con-

go a step farther, and turn it over to

DESERTED PLAYGROUNDS.

The report gives a detailed recrea

Enlargement of school activities to

include systematic instruction in play

throughout the year will invariably arouse objection as to cost. It may be

of less healthful amusements the par-

greater economy would be promoted by curtailing the children's spending

money. In the absence of ability to

do something that better suits their fancy, children will not neglect the

old-fashioned games that brought health and strength to their parents

OUR COSTLY COURTS.

-games which may be played on any

ents will save in the long run.

attraction of the movies.

ing nothing to do with it.

Democratic fashion.

not open to them, but that they would have to see the members of his Cabi-net. The distribution of patronage is the rock upon which many a presi-dential ship has split, and one every President has sought more or less successfully to evade. President Wilson purposed to solve the problem by hav-But it was like many another panacea proposed through a system of statesmanship, founded on pedagog-ic theory. It did not work out. For

PEACE DREAMS.

Those gentle dreamers, the peace trol of his own great office in one important matter. It is a serious propagandists, are beginning to reuperate from the crushing blow giv-But if, President Wilson thinks so little of jobs and patronage as to shift the whole burden to his Cabinet officers, it ought not to be difficult to many of the leaders had gone to join in adjusting the final details of perpetual peace and good will in the huthe Senate, where it in part belongs. man family, they have rested from their harrowing experiences, lighted the peace pipe anew and set out to dream the obstreperous human creature into more tractable and docile methods of recreation from children WHYS.

The first cry following the war was Among boys, old-time strenuous serenity and happiness at some fufamily will reform its habits of thought and action all in one moment. In order to promote the "internathan a very few of the boys of today

But baseball does not occupy the tional triumph of peace that is certain to settle down after the world wearies of the present blood carnival" the peace propagandists are directing their energies into educational channels. Some are content with painting lurid pictures of the horror of war. These pictures, to be sure, are distressing and terrifying. They shock

the influence of the moving-picture is tion. Writing in the current issue of subjects. the American Magazine, Baker describes a German invasion of the that makes a reasonably successful United States immediately following effort to tell the truth. If in addition

to an end in the year 1915.

said, however, that if the playground feature is successful as a competitor

vacant lot or on school grounds not

equipped with elaborate and expensive throw away the brick at the end of his route and not \$4800 profit.

While thus generous with star route cuit Courts, but in the term system of courts and the requisite of statute only 5 per cent to railroad mail pay on account of the parcel post, and it gouges the railroads in several ways. An electric line with hourly trains and might as well be at work. The saked What shall we do now?

\*\*The wants is often not for the public's wants is often not for the public's good. The librarian has to say nay to the clasmors for a best seller and turn away a growling throng from the lums embrace them. Enraged, the clasmors are greating to the clasmors for a best seller and turn away a growling throng from the lums embrace them. Enraged, the clasmors are greating to the clasmors for a best seller and turn away a growling throng from the lums embrace them. Enraged, the lums embrace them. Enraged, the clasmors for a best seller and turn away a growling throng from the lums embrace them. Enraged, the lums embrace them are luminous embrace them. Enraged, the lums embrace them are luminous embrace them are luminous embrace them. Enraged, the lums embrace them are luminous embrace them are luminous embraces are l

they did not waste their faculties in the quest for rhymes. Every reader can remember scores of occasions when, under the inspiration of the Muse with his brain in a fine frenzy glowing, he has begun to pour forth immortal poetry like a deluge only to be brought up short at the end of the third line for want of a miserable rhyme. Why submit to any such foolish imposition? The futurist poet declares with many a violent gesture and sulphurous oath that he will not the third line for want of a miserable popular reading is one where a American. declares with many a violent gesture and sulphurous oath that he will not submit and free verse is the product of his emancipated state.

It is delightful to see genius disporting itself unchained. Its demonstrations are hilarious as those of a cow taking a holiday and often quite as graceful. Rhyme was invented by the monks in the dark ages to cover final upheaval. It would sicken the world with war and the last shot would be followed by inevitable distance. The manks in the dark ages to cover up their lack of classical inspiration. In their hands it rounded off some would be followed by inevitable distance. Bureau of Education, reveals that a striking change has attended recreation among numbers of the hour of the hour of the bureau of the bureau of Education, reveals that a striking change has attended recreation among numbers of the bureau o this idea. It has provided them with refuge in the hour of storm. Of course, the man given to using his wits even perfunctorily is inclined to believe that the war will merely breed others of its kind to blight human others of its kind to blight human much difficulty. So did Goldsmith, sevenity and happiness at some fuwho might have written the "Travserenity and happiness at some ture is ture date. The thinking creature is disinclined to believe that the human disinclined to believe that the human blank verse if he had preferred. But he chose to rhyme them.

It is probably true that great artists in any domain rather enjoy binding themselves by strict laws. They like to show what they can do under difficulties. As for rhythm, and regular rhythm at that, we do not see how there can be real poetry without it.

WHAT IS A GOOD NOVEL?

Whether they like it or not librarthat "treaties and international agreements are never to be entered into recklessly and foolishly, and when once entered into are to be observed with entire good faith" and served with entire good faith" and some cases not only impossible but some cases not only impossible but improper to enforce." He also says:

The greater our played by comparatively few.

They are the shock sentimentality, the greater the shock. They cannot buy all the people were being butch-books that pour from the press. They books that pour from the press. They cannot even buy all that their patrons in their business to assume the part of the country.

They ill adiscovers them and begins levy-books that pour from the press. They books that pour from the part of their business to assume the part of their business to assume the part of the country.

They ill adiscovers them and please to quit fighting.

ate the good from the bad and in own pitiful shortage of such weapons

However, it has remained for a trying to do so they must apply some it is little short of a crime to let any magazine writer, Ray Stannard Baker, principles of approval and condemna- get out of the country. to find the true solution for the end tion. As soon as they begin to do so The weightiest criticism of the bad in any way it is in the exclusion of war. Baker is an old-school sentition of war. and regulating the universe is a easy to answer as long as we take trifling thing for his massive imagina-

the great war which his pen brings to that prime quality it has literary style and wit, so much the better. Baker, at the outset, admits our good scientific work is one that gives roeful lack of preparedness to meet the results of the latest experiments the threatened invasion. He not only in readable form if it is designed for admits it, he glories in it. He pictures a wave of militant spirit only for elect specialists the experitures a wave of militant spirit only for elect specialists the experithroughout the country and a great ments are everything and the form

rush to arms. But stay—

Why need we fight? Particularly when we can't put up much of a fight, anyway? A woman over in Chicago starts a new movement, Fembrush and the control of the reserve. Having school. Bed nothing and the control of the reserve. Having school. Bed nothing and the control of the reserve. Having school. Bed nothing and the control of the reserve. Having school. Bed nothing and the control of the front page. inism comes to the rescue. Having school. Bad poetry is any kind that kept off the front page. ism, in getting us into such a hole, it is only meet that feminism should come to the rescue.

At this stage Baker's woman sweeps the country with her reasoning. A great new light bursts over the country. The President and his Cabinet. great new light ourses over the cabinet novel is one that interests a person try. The President and his Cabinet novel is one that interests a person heave a sigh of relief. The die is no matter how badly it may deprave heave a sigh of relief. The die is no matter how badly it may deprave morals or shock common sense. The We shall have no war, not even morals or shock common sense. if it is forced upon us.

Germany, suspicious of our meek als and sadly little for its mind demos cares nothing for its own morspirit, sends an armada. Troops are long as it is amused it is content. But landed at New York. Do we fire kow can the conscientious librarian upon them? We do not. Rather we permit the people to be amused at end them hot mince pies and shrimp the expense of their higher nature cents per hundred pounds. He could gonian concerning reduction in court salad and they have a jolly time in Thus trouble arises. What the public's throw away the brick at the end of expenses, suggests "that the trouble is their Manhattan trenches. Every- wants is often not for the public's not in the trial of small cases by Clauser by Clau

should be abolished, and judges authorized to call juries only when necessitated the call juries on the call juries of the call juries on the call juries on the call juries of the call j streetcars and their compensation was be tried in the lesser courts. If the mor" is reached. Americans begin with all our superior consideration if down to that of the steam road. abolishment of the term system is in another case, where the contract practicable let us adopt both plans. It In another case, where the contract provided for a single closed pouch on the route, parcel post caused the mail to outgrow the capacity of the pouch. The rallroad refused to accept parcel post. The Government then had pouches made large enough to hold all the mail and forced the road to gation will grow. Justices and county them at the old rate, though

they reduced the seating capacity of cars. The Government ships empty mall scales by freight train during are maintained at lesser expense than peal to estimate the Courts. The peace of the fundary maintained to unity will ever invade the Uniter of the country would empty maintained to unity will ever invade the Uniter of the superince of country would send armed a peal to expense of the superince of peace and the expension of the lungry walls for the peal to expense of the country would send armed any other country would send arme towerk in conjunction with the County

Commissioners.

There is a broad field for reform in court procedure in Oregon and it is the intention of The Oregonian to make only a few general suggestions.

The details require careful consideration by men in position closely to observe the workings of the courts day by day.

SENECA SMITH.

Death laid heavy toll on Oregon ploneers during 1914 and thinned the ranks of the men who helped build the commonwealth during the laster half of the nineteenth century. The passing of Seneca Smith a week ago removed one who was an Oregonian by verything but birth and whose whole life was devoted to the best interest of the state.

Coming to Oregon in 1847, the

ist, like a painter, has the right to select his material according to his time and talent to practice of his profession.

In ancient times rhyme was not limited by the real world. It seems to us that the worst of all novels are not those levels by rigorous metrical rules, but selves by rigorous metrical rules, but they did not waste their faculties in they did not waste their faculties in the quest for rhymes. Every reader the will and discoursely by dadicting a false world.

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popular reading is one where a American, worthy end is attained by fair fight-

Great Britain offers to buy woolen goods from the United States, but denies us much of the raw wool necessary to supply our own needs. That country forbids export of wool from Australia and South Africa to any other country than the British Isles on the plea of military necessity, although the wool of those colonies is not suited to military uses and is needed for our domestic consumption. The circumstances have aroused suspicion in this country that the British government is using the war as a pretext for aiding British woolen manu-

Arizona saloonmen have gone to us indescribably. The weaker our lans are obliged by the nature of Mexico in large numbers declaring nervous system and the greater our their business to assume the part of themselves sickened of the country. lans are obliged by the nature of Mexico in large numbers declaring

Now the Russians say they have won another victory over the Austrians. Three months ago they they trians. claimed to have the Austrians completely wiped out. We are inclined to discredit the sug-

gestion that the Kaiser will have French and Russian surgeons in consultation when he goes to the surgery. The day we turn the Philippines over to the Filipinos we ought to cut

harrowed by what follows.

The battle zones are tranquil except for occasional outpost raids and a trench sally now and then to keep

With Winter closing down in Po-

and watch the fur fly in France and Flanders. The cave dwellers of modern times

ive in the subterranean trenches of Europe. No. Edith, the European warfield ears no relation to our own David.

Mighty few good resolutions left by this time, we wager. We are still pleading for mercy

Our climate seems to improve with

Taxpaying time looms ahead. The ball fan grows restless

That is why children cry for DEMOCRATIC VIEW OF PRESIDENT Administration Denounced as Great

Failure in History, An interview with Governor Colquett (Dem.), of Texas,

"The Wilson Administration has been greatest failure in the history of the Presidency. The South is a land literally flowing with milk and honey. it has made one of the biggest and best ops in its history, and yet, because of the utter incompetency of the mer in tharge of the Government, its business is prestrated, its credit is impaired and thousands of its people are stary-

The Administration's tariff law wa pledged to lower the cost of living, and it has had the contrary effect. By put-ting raw materials on the free list and keeping the protective tariff on manu-factured goods, it has condemned American farmers by hundreds of thou-

terests of the state.

Coming to Oregon in 1847, the youngest of eight children, it was his misfortune to become fatherless in a few months. His sterling stock is "free verse," or vers libre, to use their erudite dialect. This means portions and surroundings to success. He was not an officeseeker, and, though appointed to fill a vacancy on the appointed to fill a vacancy on the Circuit bench and later elected, resigned in a few years to devote his signed in a few years to devote his signed in a few years to devote his surroundings repeal of the poets select his material according to his such has to give an illusory picture of the world his books are bad. Much as we stold his books are bad. Much as we should rejoice were innecence always safe and virtue always rewarded, we know perfectly well that it is not so that it is not so that it is not so that the his reges with unabated fury. What his selection is such has to give a "The Administration's repeal of the

"It brought on a reign of terror all

worthy end is attained by fair fighting, where a hero gains his ambitions by the use of his own wits and where chance and coincidence play as small a part as they do in real life. If it shows some little literary style, too, that is a valuable extra, but it can hardly be expected as an ordinary article of die.

"It brought on a reign of terror all along the Texas border, so that when the Federal Government refused to afford protection for our people in their fown state I was forced to send 1200 Texas troops down there to give it. Maxican bandit gangs were crossing the border into Texas, raiding and terrorizing our scattered people. Women and children were huddled together in brick houses, menaced with murder and worse. "My desk was flooded with telegram

government is using the war as a pre-text for aiding British woolen manu-facturers by providing them with abundant raw material while denying it to their American competitors. This is a matter which the State Depart-ment might well take up in connec-tion with the British treatment of contraband.

Secretary of War Garrison tele-"Secretary of War Garrison tele-"Staphed me that he thought it unwise to have two military forces occupying the same territory under separate com-manders and suggested that I with-draw the state troops. I wired him that I would withdraw the Texas troops when he sent an equal number of United States regulars to take their place. And I kept our mon there antill hace. And I kept our men there until he did send an equal number of regu-lars to replace them, at gvery place where our men were stationed.

"Wilson and Bryan have stood by, en-

couraging one gang of bandits the country and I understand that all he wants is to be chief of police of the City of Mexico, with control of the gambling concessions in the City of Mexico and Juarez. Our Government has kept England and Germany from restoring order in Mexico, and has itself done nothing but contribute to the disorder and lawlessness by its vaciliating watching and waiting policy—if it can be called a policy. The propertied interests of Mexico and the big American exploiters of Mexican resources have got control of the situation absolutely, and these same interests have got the ear of our Government at Washington.

Washington, The Administration's anti-trust laws the cable, so our feelings may not be

"The Administration's anti-trust laws are bare-faced fakes, so far as protecting the people from trust oppression is concerned. These laws please nobody else so well as they do the Standard Oil, Steel and other sreat trusts.

"I am afraid the National election of 1816 will, because of the fallure of these policies, end the Democratic National regime. The policies of the Democratic National Administration have wholly falled either to curb monopolles or to lower the cost of living for the people, and they have materially contributed to deprive millions of wage earners of employment. earners of employment.

Don't forget to send out a batch of Oregonian Annuals. Let your friends learn more of the wonderland of the Coast.

One of these days one of the combatants will make the mistake of seizing a Standard Oil Company vessel.

German culture and British higher morality continue to occupy the trenches in Belgium.

Het Lake Never Freezes.

HOT LAKE, Or., Jan. 1.—(To the Editor.)—A cold weather story has been published in nearly all the leading papers of the Northwest to the effect that Hot Lake has frozen over and the guests are skating on it.

I wonder the romancer did not add that a skater broke through the ice and scalded his feet. There is not a word of truth in the article.

There is a small pond near Hot Lake which freezes over every Winter, but Hot Lake itself has never yet been affected by the weather, and on the coldest day this season the steam from the surface of the lake could be seen for miles.

The war is now confined very largely to the issuance of bulletins largely to the issuance of bulletins largely victory.

miles.

Will you kindly aid me in nullifying the effect of such a libel on this old natural wonder of the Northwest?

Cabinet and Supreme Court. PORTLAND, Jan. 2.—(To the Edi-tor.)—Kindly publish names of mem-bers of Cabinet and also Supreme Court for benefit of school children.

President's Cabinet: Secretary of State, William Jennings Bryan; Secretary of State, William Jennings Bryan; Secretary of Adoo; Secretary of War, Lindley M. Garrison; Attorney-General, Thomas Watt Gregory; Postmaster-General, Albert Sidney Burleson; Secretary of Navy, Josephus Daniels; Secretary of Interior, Franklin Knight Lane; Secretary of Interior, Franklin Knight Lane; Secretary of Labor, William Bauchop Wilson, U. S. Supreme Court: Chief Justice, Edward D. White; Associate Justices, Joseph McKenna, Oliver W. Holmes, William R. Day, Charles E. Hughes, W. Van Devanter, Joseph R. Lamar, Mahlon Pitney, James Clark McReynolds.

Of those far off wonderful years, When you were my own, my own at my all!

(Ab. 1 knew that such joy, some da Must filt like a wild bird, tired of car From its captor's hand away!)

Oh lips that I pressed. And hands I caressed. And your golden bair lies Like a sheen over all of my pain!

—Jo. Hartman.

Long Evenings at the Farm.

Aichison Globe.

Come now the long evenings when a farmer has ample time to peruse his mall-order catalogue.

## A New Year Memory. By James Barton Adams

The frost, as a blanket of sparkling gems, gleamed waste of snow

That covered the farms in the old home state in a Winter of long ago. And the merry lingle of bells was heard clear-toned on a wintry night As the old farm sleds bore their merry loads of youth in their rapid

flight. away to the quaint old church that in modesty long had steed As the Sabbath shrine of the Christian folk at the edge of the grand old

And a sacred look was on every face as the folks of the farms sat in That chapel to watch the old year out and welcome the New Year in.

I sat by the side of a rustic lass as
the minister, old and gray.
In earnest manner a lesson drew from
the year just passing away:
The sands of our lives were running
out, and those whom we held
most dear
World some day over us watch as we

Would some day over us watch as we were watching the dying year, new glad life would upon us dawn, as the year now nearing dawn, as dawn with a glorious light

Christian earth, he counseled us all to greet the year with gladness, as we would ewborn life that awaited us at

the foot of the mercy seat. we cuddled close in the old farm

sled, homebound 'neath the moon-light clear, lesson we'd heard from the preacher's lips I whispered into her ear.
I asked why we shouldn't great
the year with the gladness of
youthful love—
a mutual pledge neath the midnight stars 'twould be sanctioned
by heaven above?'
hands there met in instinctive

clasp 'neath the robe of the buf-

shielded us from the Winter's breath that rose from the sparthe pledge was sealed with a soundless kiss, for others were cuddled near, far too sacred that precious seul to fall on a listening ear. And

sweet the memories clustered nd that ride on a wintry 'round that ride on a wintry night When the runners creaked on the frost-

gemmed snow 'neath the sled in its rapid flight,

glad were the years that have come and gene since the pledge of betrothal kies ed two young hearts 'neath a shaggy robe to tremble with thrill of bliss. heads are streaked with the frosts of time, but our hearts are as young and warm

they were that night as we flew along on the road to the old home farm And I gaze with pride on the wife the rds of the minister heiped me

That night when we watched the old year out and welcomed the New Year out -James Barton Adams

THE LUCKY FATHERLAND.

I went into a drug store
To buy a box of pills,
And found the price had rises
At least full fifty mills,
And when I asked the reason. Was told, with candor free. "The stuff these pills are made of All comes from Germanee.

I dropped in to another place To get a can of paint, But the price the clerklet asked me Quite threw me in a faint. I asked him why this higher price. And, looking straight at me. He said. "It's chief ingredient Must come from Gern

Paraffine oil, our doctor says. Is good for us to take

For any ills we really have.

Or those we choose to fake.

I hought another pint today.

But the price, oh. hully gee!

The reason given, "This oil is made Only in Germanee.'

I went into a lot of shops, Where food and clothes and toys Are kept for sale to women And men and girls and boys. Were on a jamboreeause the things they're made of All come from Germanee. So now I fully understand

Why prices are so high, And why they will remain so Until the clouds roll by The cinch will sure continue.
Shopkeepers all agree.
Because the things we've got to have
All come from Germanee. No matter what you are buying. Nor what you want it for. The price has tilted akyward.

"Because, sir, of the war."
And if, in fact, it's made in Maine.
Or down in Tennessee.
You'll meet the backnied antidots. This came from Germanes.

So, if we feel the pressure of High prices here and there— Remembering that "here and there" Remembering that 'here and there' Means all of everywhereLet's gather in what pleasure
That may come to you and me.
By recalling how it helps the poor Across in Germanee!

T. T. Geer.

RECORDS IN JUDGMENT.

Edwin Markham, in Nauthus.

Doctors and clerks, would you detect
The crowning mark of the Elect—
Know who believe beyond rebuke
The Gospel and the Pentateuch—
Know who accept the Thirty-Nine.
And tasts with Christ the mystic wine?
Then search the face of him you doubt
And that will let the accret out.

Explore the face, and do not spare.
The Book of Life is written there.

And would you know the other host.
Those that profane the Holy Ghost.
Those that deny the Ancient Word
The seers upon the mountain heard.
Then search the countenance, and trace
Their heresies upon the face.
That hardened line, that leveless look.
Are records in the Judgment Book.
The truth is written and writ plain
Whether we be for Christ or Cain.

REQUISCAT.

I have laid you in memory's casket
And dropt on your bler allent tears—
In the shrine of my heart burned the
incense
Of those far of wonderful years.

When you were my own, my own and my all!

(Ab, I knew that such joy, some day, Must filt like a wild bird, tired of care, From its captor's hand away!)