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CHEER UP!

FOR the benefit of those good people who wear blue glasses whenever they contemplate the outlook for trade there are a number of things which might be said. Just now the American manufacturer who has equipped himself to grapple with his opportunities and who has the courage and breadth of vision to see the possibilities before him is too busy to pay much attention, but the pessimist we have always with us and we hear much of him. We strive to bear with him in all humanity but he does bore us. It will do him little good to listen to some facts, but for those who may have been impressed with his talk we would present some figures.

One of the most significant is the despatch printed by the New York Commercial last week, showing that the Queensland government had ordered 17,000 tons of rails for immediate delivery, says an exchange. English mills could not supply them because of the great war.

Russia has placed its order with us for 5000 tons of barbed wire. Grebbe has ordered 100,000 pairs of army shoes from one Binghampton, N. Y. factory. This same factory, it is reported, has already booked orders for at least \$1,000,000 from abroad. Thousands of employes have been added to the working forces of Chicago since the first of last week and everywhere there is evidence that, thrown upon our own resources, we are proceeding to meet the demand.

There is demand for everything we can make and raise and we have both the labor and the raw materials. We are sorry, of course, that there is a war, but we have no time for idle sentimentalism and it is plainly our duty to fill orders. If the pessimist will not cheer up, let's forget him.

WAR NEWS

THE news from the seat of war has at last become very lucid. We can readily see that the allies are steadily gaining ground on the western front and that the Germans are advancing and pushing their back in the same territory. In the Eastern field the Russians are gaining great victories and the Germans are also successful all along the line. If you don't believe this, just read the cablegrams and war bulletins yourself.

THE ENDLESS CHAIN

CURIOUS how things work around and end where they began, isn't it? Americans are just now sending cotton to the hospitals of Europe so the wounded can be taken care of and cured so they can go back on the firing line and get wounded again or wound someone else, so we can send more cotton to assist them in recovering, so they can go back on the firing line and be wounded or wound someone else, so we can send more cotton, so—this is as good a place to stop as perhaps any other.

WITH THE TEA AND THE TOAST

GOOD EVENING

Happiness, like mercy, is twice blessed; it blesses those who are most intimately associated with it, and it blesses all those who see it, hear it, feel it, touch it, or breathe the same atmosphere.—Kate Douglas Wiggin.

NO MORE

(Written for The Times.) No more sounds the march of the Roman's great armies. Who left in their wake but the graves of the dead. They have crossed the Great River like Caesar that led them. They've fought their last battle, from earth have they fled. No more sounds the clang of the knights heavy armour. Whose sword was the emblem of honor and right. They've vanished from earth in the flame of their glory. But the world lives the better the gains of their fight.

No more waves the flag of the sea loving pirate. With its skull and the cross bones that wave in the breeze. Their ships have been scuttled, their treasures are scattered. Their haunts are destroyed, they have gone from the seas.

No more is the scene of the Indians' wild antics. His arrows are broken; quenched are his fires. He has scalped his last man on the wild Western prairies. He has fallen in his battles—gone to his sires.

No more is the use of the lance and the flintlock. The civilized world long has cast them away. They once were the pride of nations' best soldiers. They've served us good stead but they're relics today.

No more sounds the whoop of the wild Western cowboy. The buffalo is gone from the plains of the West. Wild cattle once roamed on the plains unmolested. But they in their turn disappeared like the rest. —By ALDEN L. BAKER.

Some Coos Bay men talk like a \$2.98 phonograph.

The man who steals the other fellow's umbrella is always the one who is the most angry when somebody steals his.

The more a man knows the less he thinks he knows.

Love may be blind, but alimony is an expert oculist.

It is easier to call a man a liar than it is to prove it.

Experience teaches that a lot of it doesn't teach anything.

The highest ambition of some thieves is a chicken roost.

Every mother believes her baby knows exactly what she says to it.

The poet wears his hair long because there is no short cut to fame.

Really big men are measured by what they do, not by what they say.

Many a man's character is formed before marriage—and reformed after.

Few of the men who are willing to give you a recommendation would give you a job.

And many a man's dishonesty is due to the ease with which a fool and his money are separated.

By the time a woman acquires a third husband she begins to think her attractions are irresistible.

The chronic critic is usually a person with so many faults that he can see no good in anybody else.

The egotist who is ever ready to give advice is as a rule a person who will seldom take it.

The man who lies low and speaks only when necessary will win out ahead of the continual spouter.

If a man climbs up the slippery mountain of prominence or popularity and is almost at the top, reach out a hand and pull him on up; don't knock him back.

No man ever made himself more popular by finding fault. The men who are really beloved are the men who give merit its due.

Many a man is a dark lantern. He never pulls aside the slide to show the real brilliancy that is in him.

The joys of life are sadly mixed. I do not idly chaff. The neighbor's pianola's gone. To buy a phonograph.

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NO LIQUOR IN PANAMA

Stringent Rules Against Pilots Drinking Are Issued

PANAMA, Dec. 4.—With a view to preventing accidents, Governor Goethals has ordered that the Panama Canal shall be operated on a strictly sober basis. His order, issued upon the suggestion of Captain Hugh Rodman, superintendent of the canal traffic, affects all persons employed on the canal who possess marine licenses—such as pilots, tug masters and mates and those in charge of the dredges at work in the canal—and the lock-operating forces. The order, among other restrictive provisions, forbids any canal pilot entering a saloon while in uniform. It is believed that the order will encourage confidence on the part of the ship-owners using the canal, and possibly have some influence toward preventing increase of marine insurance rates on vessels passing through the canal.

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THE PEOPLE'S FORUM

LETTER TO COUNCILMEN.

To Messrs. Cook, Evertsen and Kimball: If it is appropriate for United States Senators to visit their constituents after election, it is timely for voters to express their opinions of new councilmen after election.

It so happens that the writer voted for everyone of the successful candidates. I wish to explain to the councilmen-elect that I voted for Messrs. Evertsen and Kimball because I regarded them as capable business men and not because they were reported to have saloon support, and that I voted for Mr. Cook likewise on the grounds of his superior qualifications for office and not because the so-called Citizen's Committee recommended him.

As a voter and taxpayer I am looking to these three men to do their duty without fear or favor and utterly regardless of a foolish issue which misguided citizens imagined for the purpose of befuddling voters. The voters were not befuddled, as the election result shows. I am convinced that many who voted for Messrs. Evertsen and Kimball voted dry in the recent state election and that many others who voted wet in the state election voted for Mr. Cook.

There is absolutely no conclusion to be drawn from the election result except that the voters have confidence in Messrs. Evertsen, Kimball and Cook. I believe all sensible citizens will agree with me that the oath of office taken by such men as these will be a sufficient pledge to all law-loving people of Marshfield, no matter what issue arises either before or after January 1, 1916. A VOTER.

PROSPERITY IN OREGON

Elmer Dover, president of the Oregon Power Company, was in western Oregon on a tour of inspection of the plants of the company. To a local paper he said:

"Business conditions as far as I have been able to see, seem to me to be better in this part of Oregon than in Washington. Our business has had a considerable increase since I was through here about two months ago.

"I do not see what the people here can have to fear over hard times, for it seems to me that the Willamette Valley is one of the best spots I know of. We have power and light plants in 15 cities and I have an opportunity to observe business conditions in a great many of them.

"I see the new Federal banking system has been started off with a rush and from the first day's results it certainly looks promising. Of course the problem of the unemployed is going to be a large one, but outside of the cities that should not be hard to handle."

OREGON IS GROWING.

School Census Shows Marked Increase in State.

SALEM, Or., Dec. 4.—According to figures compiled by Labor Commissioner Hoff for his biennial report, the population of the state has increased 122,822 since 1910, the total population for this year being 795,587, as compared with 672,765 for 1910.

The figures were arrived at by taking the school census for 1914, the enrollment of the children, and the attendance and striking an average. The population of Multnomah county increased 36,222 since 1910, its population in that year being 226,261, and its population for this year being 277,183. The following figures show the population of each of the counties in 1910 and for this year, as reckoned on the basis given: County—Pop. 1910. Av. 1914 Coos 17,959 21,901 Curry 2,044 2,628 Douglas 19,674 22,872

NOTICE

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