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ODD FACTS ABOUT MEXICO.

Mexico has a superficial area of 767,290 square miles, or it is about as large as thirteen such states as Wisconsin. Its greatest length is 1,900 miles, not much more than the longest line through Texas.

Mexico has a population of 15,003,207, which gives about twenty persons to the square mile. Less than one-fifth of this population is called white. About 40 per cent is Indian, and the balance is classed as mixed blood.

Because of bad sanitation, and a lot of other reasons, the death rate in Mexico is heavy. Among the Indians it runs to 50 per cent of the children. In the City of Mexico the death rate runs as high as 56 per thousand in a single year. This should be one of the healthiest cities on the continent, as the climate there is accounted almost perfect.

There are only 15,251 miles of railways in the republic. Some of our states have more than that. In telegraph lines Mexico does a little better, there being 46,112 miles.

City of Mexico has an elevation of 7,415 feet above sea level, and is called the most perfectly located in geographical and topographical surroundings of any city in the world. The climate is never too hot nor too cold. With proper sanitation it should have a very low death rate. It is 264 miles from Vera Cruz, its seaport.

City of Mexico has a population of more than 200,000 and is accounted rather progressive. It has 333 state schools, thirteen technical and professional schools and as many as 200 private schools. The national library, located there, contains 250,000 volumes. It was founded in 1692. There are 150 manufacturing establishments, many of which are owned and conducted by Americans.

Politically the Mexican republic is, and has been for many years, conspicuously rotten. During fifty-nine years it has had fifty-two presidents and dictators. Generally the president was both. Diaz was impossible for anybody that believes in human liberty. His administration represented the most odious kind of an oligarchy. Human liberty in every form was banished from the so-called republic.

It is claimed, and probably is true, that the administration of Huerta has been even worse than that of Diaz. Diaz tried to do something for the industries of his country, but Huerta seems to have no sense of the needs of his people, and to care for nothing but to keep himself in power.

CRYSTALLIZING OPPOSITION.

Word has come to the springs development committee of an organized opposition to the springs bond project. It is stated that Mr. Bressler, R. J. Edwards, Mr. Silver, Mr. Thomas, Mr. Bailey, Mr. Caldwell and Mr. Storey are at the head of the opposition. While these gentlemen have not stated their cause of opposition to the committee, and the committee has no knowledge of their contention, every citizen certainly has a right to his opinion and the right to freely express it, either for or against the bonds. The thing the people and the committee want is a fair understanding of the issues when they vote on the bonds. The matter is so important that no mistakes should be made. There will be a number of public meetings held as soon as the bond election is called, at which every citizen will have an opportunity to express himself and state his arguments for or against. The committee is glad indeed that whatever opposition there is to the bonds is being crystallized. It is a matter that every one should investigate and give the results of his investigation to the public. Let the bonds question be settled by intelligent investigation and let no prejudice, personal animosity or local jealousy enter into the discussion.

Never carry the whole world on your shoulders; trust the Eternal.

LOVE WILL CURE IT ALL.

Norman Hapgood, interpreter of feminism, is getting quite a hammering these days, because he has been predicting, in a series of lectures, that the new activities among women will make marriage less frequent and divorce easier.

Most of his critics seem to believe that Norman must be a bold, bad man for even suggesting such a thing. Bold he undoubtedly is, else he wouldn't have the nerve to prophesy where lovely women are concerned. But why bad?

His prophecy really isn't prophecy at all; it's simply reporting. Facts within everybody's observation are daily confirming what he predicts. It may be feminism or it may be high cost of living or the greater freedom which comes to women with independence of earning power which is the cause; but in any event it is plain as the nose on your face that marriage is becoming less frequent, or at least less permanent, while the increase of divorce has been a cause of alarm for years.

We are not of those, however, who think that this condition will not one day change for the better when the exciting causes shall have forced the necessary social readjustments.

Love is a pretty powerful factor, in spite of its handicaps; and we're inclined to pin our faith to it in the long run, no matter how terrifying the divorce statistics may read meanwhile. Love of family, love of home, love of man for woman. Found a marriage on these rocks and it takes a smashing storm to topple the structure over, especially if the cupboard isn't bare.

THE "IT" HABIT.

No man is indispensable. The world will continue to wag on in the same queer old way after you are dead, just as it did before you were born. Thrust your finger into the ocean, draw it out, and if there remains a hole it will be the measure of your ultimate importance.

So, men and brothers, for heaven's sake don't get the it habit.

Really big men don't have to put on "side." They're so interested in their work and so conscious of the immensity of what they don't know and can't do that they haven't time to waste on being stuck up because of what they do know or have done. Great men are always simple men; that is, if they're great and sane. Once in a while earth spawns an egomaniac freak like Napoleon whose self-conceit and hauteur are as colossal as is his genius. But they're the rare exceptions. The run of men who are truly great are as truly simple. Witness Lincoln, Edison, Darwin and all the great musicians, painters and poets.

If you really are it, you won't need to try to show it—it will be evident in spite of appearances. But if you are simply trying to get away with a bluff, remember the higher you soar the more painful will be your fall when the bluff is called.

Men are doing strange and unusual things these days. Take for illustration the manufacturer at Binghamton, N. Y., whose shop was burned a year or so ago, causing the death of more than thirty men and women. He was a rich man; he had made his wealth, and the chances are that he loved his riches. Yet he recently conveyed all his fortune—reputed to be three millions of dollars—to a trust company, the income from it to go to the families of those who were burned to death in his factory. Then he got a job as clerk in a store and started life anew, at the age of 65. That man has Carnegie beaten every way. Besides he does not talk about himself and others, as Carnegie does.

Strange it is how few reports have been printed in the press relative to the loss of the fruit crop. If the buds have not been frozen at least a dozen times by now—according to report—then we may suspect that something is radically wrong, either with the fruit prospects or with the news service of the country. Every fruit crop must be killed a dozen times before it produces.

Colonel Roosevelt's boom for the presidency, 1916 brand, was again launched the other day. Seems as if it ought to stay launched, after a while.

Good temper wears better than a pretty face.

Whooping Cough.

"About a year ago my three boys had whooping cough and I found Chamberlain's Cough Remedy the only one that would relieve their coughing and whooping spells. I continued this treatment and was surprised to find that it cured the disease in a very short time," writes Mrs. Archie Dalrymple, Crooksville, Ohio. For sale by all dealers.

The Home Circle

Thoughts from the Editorial Pen

A Preacher to the Nation.

Youth's Companion: "Mount Vernon is the greatest thing in this country," said a man who had just returned from a visit to Washington and the home of our first president.

He is a person who has traveled both here and abroad, and who all his life has been accustomed to wealth, beauty and comfort. In his native city he can see every day a dozen residences that cost more than Washington's simple house, and that occupy more ostentatious grounds, but in none of them can he or any other person find the quality that impressed him in Mount Vernon.

Nearly every visitor to the home of our first president is affected in the same way. It is not the extent of the place, for it measures only 200 acres, nor is it the size and elegance of the house, or the character of the furniture within it; rather is it an atmosphere of dignity, of calm, of restfulness—the absence of ostentation. Here lived one of the great historic figures of all time, and because he was great—because he had personality—he impressed himself on the house in which he lived, and on the grounds in which it stands. It is Washington himself that we feel at Mount Vernon.

To one who, in this day, strolls through the well-kept buildings, and looks across the green lawns to that beautiful vista beyond the Potomac, it seems incredible that the noble place should ever have been hawked about the country, in the vain effort to find a purchaser; that congress should have refused to buy it; that it came, indeed, perilously near to falling into the hands of a man who wished to make "a fashionable beer garden" of it. To the patriotic women of the country, and especially to a patriotic woman of the south, we are indebted, as a nation, for this national shrine.

It is never possible to gauge the influence of such a monument. Those who feel most deeply are usually the least ready with words to express their feelings, and many are conscious of no impression except that of mild interest in a historic survival. There is, nevertheless, a constant elevating influence in every acre of the sacred soil of Mount Vernon, and in every other place that holds up to an ostentatious age a picture of the simple dignity that our forefathers knew so well, and that we find it so difficult to attain.

Woman's Taste.

A cultivated taste marks a woman of elegance and refinement as decidedly as a knowledge of classical literature does a gentleman; and there is nothing in which female vulgarity is more clearly shown than in want of taste.

This is an axiom that we think will not admit of dispute; but it is a question how far taste is natural and how far it may be acquired.

A delicate taste must, to a certain extent, depend upon the organization of the individual; and it is impossible for any rules to be laid down which will impart taste to persons entirely devoid of it.

But this is very seldom the case with women, as it is one of the few points in which women naturally excel men.

Men may be, and probably are, superior to women in all that requires profound thought and general knowledge; but in the arrangement of a house, and the introduction of ornamental furniture and articles of bijouterie, there can be no doubt of the innate superiority of women.

Everyone must have remarked the difference in the furnishing of a bachelor's house and one where a lady presides; the thousand little elegancies of the latter, though nothing

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As an Advertising Medium.

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"The local newspaper in proportion to its circulation is, in my opinion, infinitely the most valuable advertising medium we have. The value of the country newspaper is based largely upon the fact that the man who reads it looks upon it as a neighbor and a friend, a personal acquaintance, and attaches to the printed statements and advertisements of the country newspaper far greater importance than the big city man attaches to the statements and advertisements in the big city newspapers. As a friend talking to another about a certain kind of goods can influence a friend more than a stranger, so a country newspaper, standing on a footing of friendship with its readers, can talk to them about goods for sale or any other topic and impress upon them more strongly than the big metropolitan newspapers, which is really a stranger."

Build Up Your Town.

There seems to be quite a jealousy among some business men, a disposition to try to break down their adversary in order to build themselves up on their opponent's downfall. This petty feeling among rivals in business is all wrong. The best way to build up a town is to stand by every man in the place, who does right. Whenever a man is doing well do not tear him down. All residents should be as partners, not opponents. In all livelihoods the more business your rival does the more you will do. Every business man who treats his customers honestly, courteously and fairly will get his share, and the more business that can be secured by united efforts, the better it will be for all. When a town ceases to grow it begins to die, and the more people try to kill each other's business, the more readily will utter ruin come to all. Stand together for the advancement of every citizen. If a man shows ability to prosper do not pull him back through jealousy or weigh him down through cold indifference.

What We Observe.

It is true that all men have not been given the faculty to accumulate wealth, though they economize and work ever so hard. Neither can all men be great physicians, lawyers, preachers or skilled mechanics, study, think and labor as hard as they may. But there is a measure of success, a modest home and comfort for every man blessed with health, honesty, economy and steady purpose. If you look about you among the poor men you will notice that some of them are seldom out of work. When there is a job to be done employers get them if they can. Employers go after them, and straight to them, although passing fifty idle men on the way—idle men who are never employed if other help can be had.

Memorial Day.

This Memorial day in thousands of peaceful valleys, on the broad prairies, on the hillside and in the thronged cities, the comrades will strew with flowers the graves of

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those who died. And we would add a further tribute, and it is to the unknown dead—those who fell in the battle front, or who on the weary march dropped out to die; and in a hasty grave by the wayside, or in the field, are left by those who must still march on.

Here are some interesting statistics concerning the dead soldiers of the war: There are 82 national cemeteries, containing 32,179 soldiers, nearly one-half of whom are classified as "unknown." Twenty-one of these burial spots contain over 5,000 bodies each, among them the famous cemetery at Vicksburg and Corinth, in Mississippi. At Salisbury, N. C., out of a total of 12,132 only 97 are "known."

In the graves of the county's soldier dead should be laid so the animosities which existed during the great conflict that cost them their lives. No matter whether they wore the blue or the gray, they belonged to the republic, were brothers in one great family, and, in a broader sense, were children of the great Father of all.

Decoration day must essentially be one entirely free from any feeling but that of generosity and loving kindness. It doesn't make any difference which side a man fought on—he died for what he believed was

right, and for that reason he deserves to be remembered by those who are living.

Whatever the Mexican people may yield, the inalienable right to disorderly government will never be abandoned.



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