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**THE LATEST CLOUD.**

Because the government has decided to send the American minister to Costa Rica in a warship to Nicaragua for the purpose of seeing that justice is done American citizens resident in that country there need be no fear that hostilities are to be commenced at once. While the unofficial report received in Washington shows that Nicaragua has overstepped the bounds of its obligations toward the citizens of a friendly nation, there may be another side to the story.

It appears that Americans engaged in the tobacco trade were accused by the authorities of having disobeyed the law, and an attempt was made to raid their property under the statement that their tobacco was to be confiscated. The raid was stopped, but the leader of the party was admitted to the house and went away unable to prove his charge. Other means of annoying the Americans were found, and in time they were imprisoned, charged with "resistance of authority and violent abuse of the executive." They were arrested on the street while peacefully going to their place of business. The report shows that they simply acted on what they had every reason to believe was within their rights, the cause of the trouble being antagonism of the tobacco monopoly because they refused to sell when the company desired.

What the outcome of the incident will be can only be determined when the facts are well known. But it is clear that if the Americans are in the right they will receive the full protection of the American government.

**THE FOOD POISONERS.**

When food is so bad that it kills a dog it must be bad enough not to sell to human beings. Yet it is precisely the adulterants put upon our tables and served to us in hotels and restaurants which are killing the dogs. A chemist in Atlantic City has been conducting a series of experiments by feeding these preservatives, substitutes and coloring matters to dogs, guinea pigs and rabbits, and the results are fatal. Post mortem examinations show the results of actual poison. These materials are eaten by men, women and children. They are served in breadstuffs; they are used in canned goods; they are employed by the Chicago packers in embalming beef and sausages; they enter into the composition of spices and condiments; they give color and sharpness to watered wines and liquors; they give an effect or ripening to beer that should mature in the vats; and, so far as we are aware, not one manufacturer who thus sophisticates his output has ever been sent to jail.

**SEVEN CENTS A DAY.**

Seven cents a day is all that A. J. Seaman, a professional tax title buyer, with residences in Denver and Omaha, spends for food and drink, according to his own statement. He is thought to be worth at least \$100,000 and is known to have presented a certified check for \$50,000 on one occasion. Despite his fortune he lives in the most frugal manner, renting a small room far out in the suburbs, for which he pays almost nothing.

"I have reduced the cost of living to a science," says Seaman. "Seven cents a day is my limit, and what this amount buys keeps me in excellent health. This allows 2 cents each for breakfast and supper and 3 cents for a hearty meal in the middle of the day. For breakfast I have coffee and crackers; for dinner a bowl of soup with

bread, and at supper bread, butter and tea. I clothe myself on \$7 a year and always have two complete outfits." Seaman does not use the street cars and walks to his suburban lodgings, also for short distances through the country; but he does patronize the railroads for long journeys. His sole business is buying the titles of property sold for taxes and disposing of them at higher prices.

**THEIR SINGING COMFORT.**

"A little girl I knew," said Susan B. Anthony, "went with her teacher one afternoon to visit the county prison. She became interested in a convict who was knitting stockings, and stopped to talk to the man." "Do you find it dull here, sir?" she said. "Indeed I do, miss," the convict answered. "Still," said the child, "the singing of the birds helps to relieve the monotony doesn't it?" "Singing of the birds!" said the convict in a puzzled voice. "Yes," said the little girl. "What birds?" asked the man. "The well meaning but ignorant child, with a helpful smile, replied: "The little jail birds. They must be a great comfort to you!"

**HE HAD A GOOD REASON.**

Nodd—Come out with me and take a ride in my auto.  
Todd—How long have you had it?  
"Just got it."  
"Had any experience with them?"  
"No."  
"Going to run it yourself?"  
"I am."  
"Can you mend a punctured tire?"  
"No, sir."  
"Wouldn't know the first thing to do?"  
"Not the first thing."  
"Have you studied, read or been given any advice?"  
"No, sir; I tell you I don't know the first thing."  
"How far do you want to go?"  
"Just as far as the thing will go."  
"All right. I'll go with you."  
"What! Why I didn't dream you'd accept my invitation."  
"Why not?"  
"Why, I didn't suppose you'd care to go out in an auto with a man who doesn't know anything about it."  
"Nonsense! You're just the man."  
"How's that?"  
"Simply because, old chap, if we break down we'll drop the old machine and get home by trolley, train or carriage. But if you thought you knew the first thing about it you'd spend the rest of the day trying to fix it up, while I'd have to say with you and suffer as a matter of courtesy."

**POINTED PARAGRAPHS.**

Deaf mutes are always ready to take a hand in arguments.  
Rejected suitors are the victims of misapplied devotion.  
It's a wise man who patches up the quarrel instead of his face.  
Beware of the financial pointer; it usually points the wrong way.  
As a weather forecaster there is nothing superior to a healthy corn.  
Charity is a garment that serves to cover up much moral scrawiness.  
There's something radically wrong with the man who enjoys visiting a dentist.  
Isn't it a pity that the average reformer neglects to begin his work at home.

You will need to prepare your system for the coming weather, get your organs to work like clock work. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea taken this month will do the business. 35 cents. Tea or Tablets, sold and recommended by Frank Hart.

**IMPORTANT CONFERENCE HELD.**

Oyster Bay, Sept. 21.—A conference of much importance was held tonight at Sagamore Hill, the participants being President Roosevelt, Secretary Root, Senator Henry Cabot Lodge and Joseph H. Choate. While it is known that a particular subject of great concern to the country was under consideration. The nature of it has not been disclosed officially tonight.

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