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AT MR. WHYTE'S SHOULDER.

All-Astoria wants to remember that J. H. Whyte is a stranger in our midst as yet; that he needs all the coaching, help and suggestion he can get at the threshold of his work for the Chamber of Commerce; that every shrewd and wholesome thing that can be passed up to him is that much more actual equipment for him; and the place of every active, hopeful, helpful citizen, is at Mr. Whyte's shoulder. If we see it that he is in quick touch with all our people, our ambitions, desires and needs, he will be able to program his work to meet the ends of popular achievement much sooner and more thoroughly than if we let him laboriously pick out the essentials and test the efficacy of unadvised work.

Suggestion and information and endorsement, do not mean dictation, either. We have set him up in our place to do, and go after, things, but the nerve force that all men like is the ever-present touch of commending and bolstering hands.

And again, we must not hamper him with any insistence, or preferences, nor pet ideas and schemes. He must have perfect freedom of action and the right to elect the time and scope of that action, in order that his judgment may not be defeated nor harassed. We must show him that we trust him, are ready at all times to aid him, and that we rely upon him. He will bring results and do it all in good time.

MAD MONEY-MASTERS.

When the plutocratic forces that engineer the financial and industrial combines of the country, decided to organize against Theodore Roosevelt on a political basis and put up one of their own arch-representatives for the White House in 1905, they counted without their host, and the scheme is already torn to shreds.

The people are in the saddle in this country yet and the money program is not quite all-powerful. The money-masters are warranted in their belief that ready coin can compass almost everything; they have had experience of the most convincing sort on this head and do not lack the wisdom to realize that it does not accomplish everything.

The American mind has an ugly habit of reverting to old standards of relief against the wide toleration given to the devil-may-care policies in vogue today, and when it invokes the old criterion of public and private honesty and calls for a showing on that basis, no power on earth, not even money, can swing the popular conscience from its God of the hour. Roosevelt typifies the highest and best of the one-time standards and the people are going to cling to him until the best and last expression is had, and applied. They will not even tolerate a substitute for him.

"SCHMITZ"

Despite the bluster and protests of cheap little mayor of San Francisco, Eugene Schmitz is cemented stiff in the foul, disgraceful, pestiferous mess being unearthed there, and will

take his quota of shame and punishment with his superior fellow-thieves. It develops that this nasty little creature has been the rat of the grafting gang and did the lowest of all pilfering at its hot bed and his own wretched suggestion. He dealt with the rabble and fixed their fees of privilege and collected the pittance with his own bare hands. He did not stand afar, off, in the sanctity of his exalted office, and receive the stuff through the ordinary channels of thievery, but went down into the ruts and slime-ways and collected it for himself and dealt with the maques and prostitutes and perverts and crawling things of the city at first hand. Thank God for a Honey! The whole coast is profoundly in debt to this fearless and inscrutable man whose very name has become a terror in the walks of municipal life out here, and the lessons he is blustering into the communal souls of the Pacific will last for many a year to come, painful and shameful as they are to the clean as well as to the unclean.

THE BAD, BAD RESULTS.

The merchants of New York are bewailing the fact that the recent Wall street squeeze has tended to tighten the purse-strings of upper-tendom there and they are fifty millions short on the winter season's outfit at the hands of the "speculators." Erer Harriman is responsible for this awful state of affairs in a large measure and he ought to make good. He should potter-up a copy on the other tack and give his Fifth Avenue friends a chance to re-fill their depleted pockets. Else they will go without the necessities of life and suffer tremendously; their sports and games and lavish indulgences will be curtailed to a point, and for a time, that will convince them of the sheer folly of indulging in them at all; and in such a conclusion might come an amendment that would bring the social manna back to the old-time sensible and graceful lines of life from which American society has long since departed after the strange gods of 'bridge' and other mad indulgences that are making it utterly contemptible. If Wall street shall do this for the people of culture and wealth and brains, it will do more good than it has ever been rightfully credited with, and restore some of the genuine honor and charming qualities that once contributed to its fame at home and abroad.

EDITORIAL BALAD.

If the Roosevelt Liars can form a friendly alliance with the baseball rooters, the Lambs Club and a few other undenominational bodies, they will hold the balance of power and even the policies of the Presidents may be in their keeping.

Soon or late everybody gets even. General Manager Clowry of the Western Union says the widows and orphans who owe the company put up the rates because they must have the money. Pity the poor rich who have to pay!

To understand the discussion correctly, let it be explained whether it is proposed the United States should prevent war in Central America, or stop most Central American "wars."

The Salvation Army talks of extending its Suicide Prevention Bureau. A branch at Albany for the benefit of the legislators seems indeed to be needed.—N. Y. Commercial.

It's a question sometimes between the short, ugly word and the big stick. The long lost John Doe made a lot of money, too, in the poolrooms.

The really baffling riddle of human nature is whether she is thinking the most about, what she herself wears or what the other woman wears.

Think of the strategy of the women taking advantage of dissensions among the men to demand justice and equal rights. We are lost!

"James J. Hill retired" doesn't mean that he has gone way back anywhere to sit down. It implies that Mr. Hill is settlin' another hen.

There is some complaint among temperance people about the great increase of consumption of alcohol by automobiles.

It has cost us two and a half million dollars to pacify Cuba, and we haven't done much more than forbid cockfighting.

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ernment that Taft follows the flag.

Still, what the community is really eager for is a chance to size up the styles in baseball uniforms.

Why doesn't the Western Union employ the orphan boy owners of the company as messengers?

It was omni-Busse in the Chicago mayoralty election. Municipal ownership is Dunne for.

There'll soon be enough for a Roosevelt Liars' baseball team. Only molly-coddles eligible.

Joined the Roosevelt Liars' yet?

Take me back to old Wisconsin. Where the sugar beet and tobacco grow.

Where the farmers are healthy, happy and bright— They all take Rocky Mountain Tea at night.

FOREST FIRE.

Long Islanders Leave Churches to Conquer Forest Fire.

NEW YORK, April 8.—The villages of Springs and Amagansett, L. I., was threatened yesterday by a forest fire which burned over 1000 acres of what is said to be valuable timber lands. The loss, which is estimated in the thousands is divided among about 50 land owners. The bells in the school-houses were rung, calling out the townspeople and in the Presbyterian church in Amagansett the congregation was dismissed and sent to fight fire. The villages were saved by back-burning a strip five miles long.

HOW TO AVOID APPENDICITIS.

Most victims of appendicitis are those who are habitually constipated. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup cures chronic constipation by stimulating the liver and bowels and restores the natural action of the bowels. Orino Laxative Fruit Syrup does not nauseate or gripe and is mild and pleasant to take. Refuse substitutes. T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

THE SIMPLE LIFE.

If Thomas Jefferson had known what fame the years were to bring to him as an exponent of the simple life, it is probable that he would have left for guidance of future generations the expression of opinion as to the true value of a simple dinner. As it is he has left to his disciples simply a bone of contention for every annual recurrence of his birthday. In New York this year they may sit down to any one of three feasts spread in honor of the event. Each at a different price and each guaranteed to serve the only unadulterated brand of Jeffersonianism. It seems to have been unanimously agreed, however, that a defeated candidate for high office in the place of honor is an indispensable adjunct to the real thing. At the National Democratic Club's ten-dollar-a-plate dinner on the evening of April 13, Alton B. Parker, is to be the principal guest. William J. Bryan will as bravely assail his digestion with the three-dollar feast of the Brooklyn Democratic Club on the 16th, while Mr. Hearst( willing to steer a non-committal course between, will attend the five-dollar dinner of his own Independence League. When the after-dinner

smoke has cleared away, those who survive may hope to have learned something about the true value of a Jeffersonian dinner.

THIS MAY INTEREST YOU. No one is immune from kidney trouble, so just remember that Foley's Kidney Cure will stop the irregularities and cure any case of kidney and bladder trouble that is not beyond the reach of medicine. T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

NAVY FOR SOUTH AMERICA. Twenty-seven War Vessels Have Been Ordered from British Firm.

RIO JANEIRO, April 8.—Under the modified contracts of the Government, three British ships of 18,000 tons each built by the Armstrongs, and three cruisers, three torpedo boats and a number of other vessels for the navy will be constructed by another British firm. The programme calls for twenty-seven vessels.

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SHORT TALKS BY L. T. COOPER.

DEBILITY.

Many people who talk to me say: "I feel half sick all the time. I don't know what's the matter with me." This is general debility. It's very common. People who get in this shape have my sympathy. They aren't sick enough for bed so they drag around and their families get exasperated with them.

There are two causes for this condition; bad habits and a weak stomach. By bad habits I mean eating irregularly and too fast and not chewing the food thoroughly. The stomach gives out and loss of appetite, biliousness, constipation, and general debility result. First get the stomach in shape and then be more careful in the future, and the worn out, despondent, half sick feeling will be a thing of the past.

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