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PROSPERITY FOR THE MASSES

Soon the time will be here for voters to consider the political situation and decide the weighty questions of a presidential year. Is the prosperity that was promised, and which has come, for the few or the many? Positive tests will properly be asked. Vague assertions are not convincing. The New York Journal of Commerce gives some figures on the savings banks of that state which are right to the point. In 1891 deposits increased by \$13,775,448 and the average deposit was \$388. In the first year of the ensuing Democratic administration deposits fell off \$12,795,824 and the decline continued. With Republican success confidence returned. In 1897 the increase in New York savings bank deposits was \$48,508,028; in 1898 the increase was \$49,459,451, and last year the increase went up with a bound to \$71,336,283. The increase in this single state since Republicans took control of the government is \$169,303,762. Two million depositors have open accounts in the New York savings banks, or more than the whole number of families in the state. The average deposit is \$448, against \$389 in 1893.

More than 2,000,000, thrifty citizens of the state of New York had to their credit in the savings banks on the first day of the present year \$887,480,650, or \$169,000,000 more than when McKinley assumed the duties of president. By these figures may be truly judged the general nature of the prosperity that has returned to the people. Many honest persons believed four years ago that good times could only come through a flood of silver and that, in any case, the gold standard would not benefit the wage earner. To the extent that they are fair-minded they will admit that they were completely mistaken. New York's savings bank figures are not exceptional. They are matched in other states where the system is established. Some of the Southern papers scoff at the idea that Republican success in 1896 has had anything to do with 9-cent cotton. But to the Republicans must be credited the fact that the 9-cent business conditions are in every way improved and hopeful. The Democratic party declared that cotton could never advance until the mints were opened to unlimited silver. It is useless to quarrel with accomplished facts.

It is clear that ex-Secretary Olney has no business in the Democratic party if the Bryan brand of politics continues to hold the Democratic name. Olney is not only opposed to

the 16 to 1 folly, but he is just as hostile to the flag-furling imbecility which Bryan advocates. The former head of the state department under Cleveland is a Republican on those two important issues. There is good reason, moreover, to believe that there are hundreds of thousands of Democrats who stand with him on those questions. Olney will have to vote the Republican ticket in 1900. In fact, the Republicans are reasonably sure of getting many votes from the Democrats this year.

No mention of silver or the currency is found in the call of the Democratic national committee. It invites those who are against "the empire" to come forward. No doubt the committee thought enough will be done for silver when its champion is nominated.

A TRICK FOR HALLOWEEN.

It is Called "Clairvoyance" and Will Mystify and Entertain.

A game that is not entirely new and yet especially appropriate for Halloween is known as "clairvoyance." It is especially enjoyable for an evening of mystery, because it always proves mystifying to the uninitiated. Take some particular person who understands the game to play the role of medium, send her from the room, an empty chair being reserved for her next to the person who is in collusion with her. When she leaves the room some word is determined upon by the rest of the party, for instance "horse," and when the medium returns her task is to tell what the word is without any questions. She is summoned, sits down next to her friend, and while all present are seated in a circle, with joined hands, the one who was in the room, and hence knows the word, spells it to the medium by tapping with a finger upon the palm of her hand, the number of taps being equal to the number of letters in the alphabet. For instance, eight taps for H, then quite a pause; 15 taps for O, etc. When the medium announces the word successfully, those not knowing the secret cannot understand it at all, and it is even more mystifying when it is explained that it is based upon some peculiar mental action.—Phebe Westcott Humphreys, in Woman's Home Companion.

New Millinery.

Picturesque hats in Tuscan, straw, with high crowns and turned-up brims, borrowed from the empire period, are among the most select fashions of the moment, and so the more commend themselves to the notice of the well-dressed. Many of the brims are covered with puckered black tulle, a little jet here and there; long ostrich plumes lying on either side of the brim falling on the hair at the back, starting from a paste ornament. Two or three shades of straw mingle in the same hats, especially in greens and mauves, and there are many new colors; a pink that tones into brown, a blue with a close affinity to green and a mauve that might be magenta. Lavender and slate color are mingled, and wings are placed under the brims as much as ever. Black is worked in white chenille and silver, and the wings and aigrettes are covered with jet, but a pink rose finds its way somewhere in most millinery models.—Washington Star.

Macaroni with Mutton.

Remove fat and skin from cold roast mutton, cut the meat into small, thin slices, season with salt and pepper. Butter a dish, put in a layer of meat, then cold boiled macaroni and moisten with tomato sauce; so continue until all is used. Cover with crumbs and bits of butter and brown in the oven. To be served as soon as it is done, or it will be dry. French macaroni may also be used, after it has been boiled in salted water until tender. When it will cut easily it is done. It takes about 20 minutes.—Ladies' World.

Feminine Sarcasm.

"Here's a story of a man who married the woman who saved his life," he said, looking up from his paper. "Trying to make her regret her heroism," suggested his wife, then wiping out many scores of long standing.—Chicago Post.

His Ideal.

Oletemer—Never marry a woman who has money. She will be forever throwing it up to you.

Jackrose—Well, that's what I want. I don't care whether she throws it up or down, as long as she throws it.—Judge.

Corn and Tomatoes Scalloped.

Fix together in a good-sized baking dish one pint of cold boiled corn, one pint of chopped tomatoes, a teaspoonful of salt, half a teaspoonful of pepper, two tablespoonfuls of butter and one tablespoonful of sugar. Spread half a pint of grated bread crumbs over the mixture, dot with small pieces of butter and bake in a moderate oven for half an hour.—Household.

WINTER TRIPS.

For winter residence or winter outing ideal conditions will be found on every hand in California. Prolonged early rainfall has this season given to the semi-tropical vegetation wonderful impetus; the floral offerings are more than usually generous and the crop of southern fruits bountiful and excellent. Old ocean possesses new charms at Santa Barbara, Santa Monica, Long Beach, Coronado and the enchanted isle of the sea, Catalina—where fishing, boating, rambling, riding, hunting and loafing may be enjoyed as nowhere else. Quiet little spots, snug and warm, offer themselves at Montecito, Nordhoff, Pasadena, Echo Mountain, San Jacinto, Fall Brook and Palm Springs.

For renewing health and vigor, here abound many hot springs, of widely varying constituents and demonstrated merits; the dry, antiseptic, tonic air of the desert may be enjoyed at Banning, Indio, Yuma; and, even farther on, at Phoenix, Tucson, El Paso, exists conditions equally well indicated for weak throats and lungs.

Many think nothing in nature more attractive than the shimmering olive orchards of Santa Barbara and San Diego; others prefer the stately walnuts of Ventura and Los Nietos, or the lemons of Fernando; but for glorious fruit and graceful tree commend us to the golden orange, first, last and always, and it exists in greatest perfection at Covina, Riverdale, Redlands and Highlands. Equally interesting is the scientific and tempting fashion in which the sorting and packing of the orange is here accomplished.

The faithful were exhorted to see Mecca and shuffle off; but wiser generations will see California of the south and prolong life.

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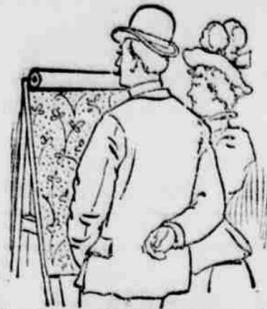
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