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The journalist's opportunity is beyond estimate. To him are given the keys of every study, the entry to every family, the ear of every citizen when at ease and in his most receptive moods—powers of approach and of persuasion beyond those of the Protestant pastor or the Catholic confessor. He is by no means a prophet, but, reverently, he it said, he is a voice in the wilderness preparing the way. He is by no means a priest, but his words carry wider and further than the priest's, and he preaches the gospel of humanity. He is not a king, but he nurtures and trains the king, and the land is ruled by the public opinion he evokes and shapes. If you value this good land the Lord has given us, if you would have a soul in this marvellous civilization and a lifting power for humanity, look well to the nurture and training of your king. —Whiteinaw Reid.

LABOR DAY.

The first celebration of Labor Day was held in New York City on September 5, 1882, under the auspices of the Knights of Labor.

It was not a general holiday at that time, but the workmen of the city arranged a parade with exercises on Union Square.

It was strictly a trades union affair, and none of its present wide significance was visible in the celebration. It was confined to organized trades, exclusively, and was local in its nature.

Gradually the agitation of the Knights of Labor for a general holiday, resulted in the designation of a special day as a legal holiday, in the states having large labor centers. The first Monday in September has been chosen by the different states as Labor Day, except California, which has fixed the first Monday in October, and Louisiana, which named November 25.

The tendency to make it a special trade and organized labor day is gradually merging into a broad and liberal application, which includes every branch of industry in its meaning. It is coming to be a day of rest and celebration in farming communities, and all callings where men or women are engaged in manual or mental labor. It is truly and surely gaining a place in the industrial world, which means the recognition of the royalty of labor. It means that there is a tendency to exalt the laboring man to that position in the affairs of the world, to which his importance entitles him. That a day is to be set aside for his especial pleasure and enjoyment, and that the industry of the country will be regulated to conform to this arrangement.

Each year finds a more general suspension of business in honor of Labor Day. Each year finds a more general willingness among all classes to recognize the festal features of the occasion, and to give it a regular place on the list of annual holidays.

There is but one way by which the final peaceable and just settlement of the labor difficulties of the country can be brought about, and that is through just such good feeling as this celebration engenders, and such fraternity as this recognition of labor's prominence in the world induces.

Let the nation join in exalting La-

to that of a broad, general and cosmopolitan holiday, in which the entire industrial and social world shall cease for a day their selfish pursuits, to pay tribute to the forces that underlie all prosperity and all national happiness.

It is not a day of trades unionism, exclusively, but it should be a day of thanksgiving and celebration among all classes of people, and in all kinds of business. It should be cultivated and encouraged, and made one of the festivals of the American nation, on which the differences, if any exist, may be forgotten.

IS CAPITAL AFRAID?

James J. Hill, in a recent speech at a capitalists' banquet, gave utterance to a sentiment which would lead thinking people to believe that he feared for the safety of his giant monopolies of trade and transportation.

Hobson has preached a large navy and now Jim Hill springs a large standing army on the American people.

Is capital afraid of the future? Why is it necessary for the people to bear the expense of a large army, and it in idleness? Would it not be better to reduce the present army and strengthen industrial peace by broader laws and more privileges to the masses?

Under Mr. Hill's arguments for a large army may be seen the creed of the monopolist, who expects to have need of protection in his exploitation of the people's rights.

Mr. Hill said:

"I am not overrating the demand when I say that it is imperative that the United States maintain the nucleus always and the organization and the officers for an army of 200,000 men. With our varied interests, with our expanding commerce, and with our crowning and ever-increasing power, this strength is not more than sufficient for our uses in times of stress and danger. However that may be, I am thoroughly convinced that the United States should maintain at all times an army of 100,000."

"The people of the United States are the government, their own words dictate. But they are a people of peace, and there is no way so sure to maintain and promote peace as to be prepared to fight for it. We must have peace for our industrial and commercial growth, and peace we will have if we have to fight for it. Therefore I say that 100,000 men should be always at hand to take the field, with the knowledge always that 200,000 men can be at once brought forward should the need arise."

Mrs. Russell Sage says the increasing number of divorces and family trouble is due to the decrease of the homemaking spirit in American society. There are too many boarding house families, and too few children. Too many couples that never know the comforts of a home of their own, who have no home responsibilities, and who stand ready to separate on the slightest provocation, on account of the lack of responsibility. She says America rivals France in the tendency to suppress the home-loving spirit among the people. She says the American race is fastly approaching that stage in which a premium will be given on babies, as is now done in some of the provinces of France.

The assessment of Southern Pacific roadbed was raised from \$4,000 to \$5,000 per mile in Marion county, this year and the board of equalization has refused to make a reduction, as asked by the company. The earning capacity of the road has increased in proportion to that of other

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LABOR DAY SONG.

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From every nation the busy ones come
Thrilling the air with trumpet and drum,
Raising Toll's standard aloft in the sky;
Men, brave and loyal, by thousands are found
Marching in triumph on Freedom's fair ground,
Leaders of Labor whom gold cannot buy.

Hush for a moment the hum of the mill,
Let the great hammer be idle and still;
Stop the great reaper on the hillside and plain,
While the air trembles with music's wild strain,
Let every list'ning the clear call obey:
This is the time when with one heart and voice
Men of all races clasp hands and rejoice—
Builders of nations, not dreamers, are they

World-honored craftsmen, your weapons of power
Never gleamed brighter than in this great hour;
Never before was the burden you bear
Freighted as now with such deep, solemn care!

Weavers of life's wondrous fabric are you;
Clearly have nations their duty discerned,
Lessons are taught that can ne'er be unlearned—
Justice is holding a guerdon for you.

Justice eternal! thy searchlight so strong,
Quenchless, and deathless must find every wrong;
Sweep from our country the crimes we abhor,
Cleanse from our banner the stain of war.

Take slavery's fetter from childhood's frail hand;
Shatter in fragments the throne of misrule,
Send us true pilots in pulpit and school,
Give to the toilers a free, happy land.
—Mary McNabb Johnston, in Boyce's Weekly.

There is a surety that this year's cotton crop will exceed last year's—probably by about 45,000 bales.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney and Bladder Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased.

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