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PAIN'S PURPOSE.

How blind is he who prays that God will send All pain from earth. Pain has its use and place; Its ministry of holiness and grace. The darker tones upon the canvas blend With light and color; and their shadows lend The painting half its dignity. Efface The sombre background, and you lose all trace Of that perfection which is true art's trend. Life is an artist, seeking to reveal God's Majesty and Beauty in each soul. If from the palette mortal man could steal The precious pigment pain, why then the scroll Would glare with colors, meaningless, and bright, Or show an empty canvas blurred with light. —By Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

WHAT SORT OF A GAME IS IT?

An interesting feature of the Taft-Roosevelt fight was the giving to the senate Wednesday of the confidential correspondence of the Roosevelt administration relating to the prosecution of the harvester trust. In substance the correspondence shows that the former administration began steps towards the prosecution of the harvester trust but let the matter drop when George W. Perkins, threatened fight if the prosecution was carried out. In defense of the Roosevelt administration is the claim by the commissioner of corporations that the offense by the harvester trust was technical and that the Morgan interests had taken a very liberal and advanced stand with reference to publicity of their affairs and in co-operating with the government when investigations were underway. In other words it would not be right to prosecute that trust because if it had been violating the law by giving rebates it was very square and open about it. It was willing to be good when shown its misdeeds.

TO AROUSE

the stomach to healthy action, to keep the liver active and bowels regularly you should try HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS. It has been used very successfully for 59 years. Try a bottle today. At all druggists.

Taken simply by itself the correspondence given the senate might not be highly damaging. No doubt there were many worse offences than those committed by the harvester trust. When all trusts existed in violation of the Sherman law as then construed the old administration might have been pardoned for its leniency in the instance cited. The disclosures won't help Taft because he was then a member of the Roosevelt cabinet and approved of the action taken, so the colonial asserts.

The worst feature about the disclosures made comes from the evident present day friendship between the Morgan interests and the Roosevelt campaign. It is certain an immense amount of coin is being spent to bring about the nomination of Roosevelt over Taft. It is also pretty plain where that money is coming from. It is from the Morgan crowd if one is to judge by surface indications. George W. Perkins, Medill McCormack and Dan Hanna, all steel and harvester men, are openly fighting for Roosevelt. Just what does this mean?

But one question is not enough. An enormous amount of cash is also being spent in behalf of Taft's candidacy. What particular trust or trusts furnish that money and what will they get out of it?

It is also evident that the monied men are not confining their efforts to the republican camp. Some democratic candidates for the presidency are also carrying on expensive campaigns. Where does that money come from? We were told some months ago that Woodrow Wilson had refused money from Ryan. Is that why such a bitter warfare has been waged on Wilson during the past few months? Did the Ryan money look alright to the Harmon, Clark, Underwood contingent?

Is this government a republic and do the people elect the president of a presidential campaign a mere poker game between a few rich men with the advantage always in favor of the man with the biggest pile?

If the row keeps on and sufficient disclosures are made perhaps we will find out.

WHO MAY VOTE IN CHINA.

Mr. Ng Poon Chew, a Chinese editor in California, writing in the May World's Work says that the scheme devised by the revolutionary leaders for the government of a Chinese republic is different from the governmental scheme in the United States. The leaders in the movement were thoroughly aware of the mental condition of the Chinese people at large, and knew that many years must necessarily elapse before the masses are sufficiently educated to be able to appreciate and exercise the full rights of suffrage. Therefore, during the period of reconstruction, they intend that the suffrage shall be very limited, and the selection of public servants is to be very simple. The right to vote will be conditional upon educational and property holding qualifications. The qualified voters will elect the members of the district council, the council will select officials of the district and enact laws for the government of the district, and will also select representatives from the district as members of the provincial assembly. The provincial assembly will select the officials and enact the laws of the province. The provincial assembly will also select representatives to the national assembly. The national assembly will pass all laws for the central government, will approve all treaties with foreign countries, will elect a president and a vice-president and a premier, and will approve or reject all appointments made by the president.

Governor West differs radically from the attorney general on the subject of whether or not delegates to the national conventions must abide by the popular choice of their party voters in this state regarding presidential candidates. The governor is right if common honesty enters at all into the formation of a legal opinion these days.

Assessor Strain conducted his campaign for the democratic nomination for assessor for the sum of 60 cents and he was nominated too.

The wooden poles and cluster lights on Main street would also afford a good "exhibit" for those electric trust people.

THE REALM FEMINE

The sailor hats have brought back into fashion the large Mercury wings in either white or black, and these are seen fastened to the low rounded crowns in front, at the back, or sides, as taste dictates. Many of these shaps show a straw lining of a contrasting color, although white lined with black straw is the favorite and probably will continue to be.

It is the fad of the moment that veils match the hat or its trimmings, and this fashion has brought out all sorts of odd colorings and an infinite number of new designs. The real Parisienne departs seldom from the dotted veil, for she has found that with these there is rarely a mistake to be made on the score of its being flattering. The dotted veils, both in moderate size and small, are seen, and in meshes of different degrees of thickness.

To tone down some of these colored veils there is another one worn beneath, this being in plain tulle with quite an open mesh. This lower veil need not necessarily be white or a pal eshade, but instead they are often in yellow, dark blue, and even black. Some women also are wearing two veils, both dotted, the one with large dots far apart next the face, while above will be seen a veil showing tiny dots set close together.

Very attractive collars for wear with linen and lingerie frocks may be made of wide embroidery flouncing, the embroidery being mitered into a sharp point at the back so that the collar reaches to the waistline, where it should be pinned fast to give trim, neat lines. At the front the collar may be pointed or cut in square ends, and at the V-shaped neck opening should be placed the flat bow of large velvet or ribbon now so fashionable.

Smart little frocks of cotton ratine are throwing the sturdy linens into the shade. One of these frocks, made of gray cotton ratine woven with white, was shown in an exclusive window the other day. The frock was belted with a narrow belt of black patent leather, and had large white crochet buttons down the front. More white buttons emphasized a coat-tail arrangement at the back, and there was an effective color of white ratine lace, the coarse heavy lace in worsted effect. A white hat, green parasol and white buttoned buckskin boots were placed beside the gray frock.

With the three-quarter sleeve now prevalent, long gloves are required, and these gloves are often of soft, yet rather heavy silk, embroidered on the wrist in floral or cameo effect. Sometimes the embroideries are done in one color and sometimes in contrasting of two-tone effect.

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