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It is easy enough to have a cheerful smile for the trouble of others, the pessimist will say, but our own troubles are not so easily gotten rid of.

It seems that there is something a little wrong with such a belief, for experience has taught us that our own troubles are chiefly those of yesterday and tomorrow. We borrow them mostly of imagination and fear. Real troubles are easily borne; it is the imaginary ones that are intolerable.

True, life has its real tragedies and pains from which there is no escape. When death takes one whom we love, when disease seizes us, or misfortune apportions a pinched fate, more than a hearty, "Cheer up, old man," from a friend is necessary to bring us happiness.

But it is true that happiness and discontent are entirely a state of mind that can be controlled. Nine-tenths of the little ills and worries would disappear if the will were resolutely controlled.

Actual afflictions we learn to bear. The cripple, the hopeless diseased and poor, have, since time began, taught us our best lesson in patience and cheerfulness.

But happiness that comes from absorption in self fills the world with doleful moanings. It is the gloom of self-absorption that darkens our lives. We can get out of it, and keep out of it if we will.

NOT A MIND READER.

An exchange has the following to say regarding the position of the usual country editor. It is common sense and furnishes good food for thought:

There are a lot of people who want to see their names in the paper but do not think to tell the newspaper man about it. They go away and no one says a word about it, and they wonder why they are not of sufficient importance to have their names set forth in the columns of the county paper. The reason is very simple and easy to give. You do not tell the newspaper man or his reporter what you are doing, or intend to do and for that reason he never knows a thing about it until it's too late. He may hear you or your friends growling about it, and then for the first time he learns that you did something worthy of space in the paper but you kept it to yourself until it ceased to be news. Follow the example of the hen. When she lays an egg she advertises the fact by cackling until every fowl in the barnyard hears her. Just bear in mind that the newspaper man is not a mind reader.

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That the plain common potato can be turned into a money paying industry by manufacturing the surplus crop in alcohol, starch, glucose and dehydrated potato, is the announcement by C. C. Moore, assistant chemist in the United States Bureau of chemistry, who was a visitor at the Portland Commercial club last week. Mr. Moore is on a tour investigating the potato production of Oregon with a view of securing information as to what is being done with the surplus tuber. Approximately 600,000 tons of glucose is consumed in the United States a year and 10,000 tons or more is the demand of the Pacific Coast states. Practically there is no starch or glucose factory on the Coast. Mr. Moore explained, and the department is desirous of encouraging the industry. That this is a manufacturing enterprise of considerable dividend paying is plainly shown by Mr. Moore's figures, that between \$500,000 to \$750,000 is sent annually into the corn belt for this product.

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WALKED RIGHT OUT AGAIN.

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An exchange in reviewing the result of the election says:

"Taking the Maine election as a straw that shows which way the wind is blowing, it may be seen that the Democratic policy of revising the tariff with an axe is being forced upon the people of the country, instead of being given to them in response to their demands. It was repudiated in Maine before yesterday, and it is extremely likely to be repudiated in other elections elsewhere."

"Nor is there a great deal of satisfaction in the Maine election for those who would have us believe that the Progressive party is going to remain a powerful factor in national affairs. With Roosevelt's magnetic personality removed 8,000 voters deserted the Progressive ranks and returned to the Republican fold, thus proving that it was dislike for Taft and ardent admiration for Roosevelt, rather than the desire for a new party alignment, that affected their votes last fall."

And yet we wish to feel that the Theodore of yore has not passed into complete oblivion. We wish to remember him as a stalwart, vigorous fighter, once president. Yet his recent comments and his vain attempts to penetrate the walls of criticism, gives rise to the opinion that he has passed the day of usefulness. His prattle gives us the impression of second childhood.

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Prune picking will begin this week. Some of the farmers are busy plowing for their fall crops.

G. H. Robbins is reshingling his barn and making other improvements about the place.

The dogs that killed several goats for A. G. Rempel last week have been caught and sent to the happy hunting grounds.

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