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## THE FRIEND.

Take the lid from off your heart and let me see within;  
Curious I, and impudent, a rugged man of sin.  
And yet I hold you truer than would president or priest;  
I put my bowl against your lip and seat you at my feast;  
I probe your wound and chafe your limbs and get my gods to see  
That you are strengthened as we fare the forest and the sea.  
Strike hands with me—the glasses brim, the sun is on the heather  
And love is good and life is long and two are best together.  
—Richard Wightman.

## FAME IS TRANSITORY

It is not pleasant to contemplate the evanescence of fame. It makes one shudder to think of the sacrilege of grinding the mummy of some ancient Egyptian king into powder to be used as a pigment or Caesar's body, "turned to clay," used to close a bungle. It gives a shock to one's bump of reverence to see a gown that once adorned some world-famous queen dragged over the rough boards of a stage by some cheap actress. The sale of a great man's personal effects is sadder and more depressing than his funeral.

Sentimentalism is not a prominent American characteristic. A great man may die, his death may mean a great loss to the country or to the world in general, but beyond the passing of memorial resolutions and more or less pomp displayed at his funeral, the American public pays no further tribute to his memory. In some cases a monument is erected "in honor" of the great departed, provided he had been a general, a governor or a distinguished politician. Little else counts and even in such cases the erection of a monument is considered compensation in full for everything of merit the deceased may have done for his country.

The other day the personal effects of Edwin Booth, includ-

ing a large quantity of stage costumes which he had worn during his long and honorable career, were sold at auction in one of the fashionable auction rooms on Fifth avenue, New York City. The things were sold by order of Mrs. Edwin Booth-Grossman, the daughter of Edwin Booth, who probably needed ready cash more than a lot of old costumes and still older bric-a-brac, the principal value of which consisted in the intimate association with her great and lamented father. Mrs. Grossman may not be to blame for this apparent lack of filial veneration for her father's memory, yet the idea of the auction sale is shocking and repulsive to finer sensibilities. "Sic transit gloria mundi."

It is strange how mortally afraid some people seem to be of "tainted" money. In olden times people were a great deal more philosophical about this matter. "Non olet," said the Roman statesmen, and they took money wherever they could extort it. Congressman-elect Wiley, of New Jersey, seems to be particularly afraid of contamination by coming in contact with "tainted" greenbacks or yellowbacks. He proposes to introduce a bill in congress providing that all used bills returned to the United States treasury for redemption be destroyed and new bills be issued in their place. Standard Oil money should be disinfected before it is turned over to the treasury. It might become a source of great danger to official circles in Washington.

Somebody will be suspecting Major Squier, of the signal corps, of being more bloodthirsty than Hobson, if he continues to express regret that this was the only power at The Hague conference that signed the agreement prohibiting the dropping of explosives from balloons in time of war.

Mr. Archbold kindly explained the rush of trusts to organize under New Jersey laws by saying that it was because these laws were "reasonable" in their treatment of corporations. Seems like we have heard something like that before.

Men who have had the most fighting experience say our battleships are as good, or a little better, than any afloat of the same type, and we are perfectly willing to let it go at that, even if the hammer bunch cannot be silenced.

It is reported that men posted on golf terms and slang are coining money giving lessons to those training for a course of Taft pie.

Wonder if Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, is looking toward 1912 in booming free trade between the United States and Canada?

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# A FEW HOLIDAY SUGGESTIONS

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