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THURSDAY, MARCH 29, 1917.

The New York legislature has before it a proposal to levy a tax of 50 cents a year on all cats, with tags to be worn by the taxpayer. Picture a bon-ton New Yorker of the female gender with a tabby on her lap and a brass license tag dangling from her neck.

BEANS FROM THE ORIENT.

Four solid trainloads of beans from the Orient, valued at over a million dollars and constituting the largest single movement of this commodity ever coming to the United States have arrived in San Francisco to be transhipped by the Western Import Company to eastern markets. The Southern Pacific has already started one train of twenty-nine cars over its Ogden route to New York. Three others will be required for the total shipment of 65,000 bags.

The consignment is being handled by the Western Import Company which has been working for the last seven years to introduce them in America. They were brought here from Japan on the steamship Kotsu Maru.

The beans are of all varieties and their appearance here is one of the new developments that the European War has brought about in this country.

MOVING TOWARD DEMOCRACY.

The revolution in Russia for a more democratic form of government may be one of the blessings of the terrible holocaust surging throughout Europe. If the democracy which is just beginning to make itself felt in Russia tempers its policy with reason, justice and humanity, it will blaze the trail for a new European civilization. Democracy is now on trial in Russia.

The revolution in Russia came almost unknown to the world beyond that country. The old bear appears to be wide awake. An imperial ukase ignored by the duma at the time when the whole nation was under arms and the czar at the head of his army, then comes in swift succession the revolution, the mutiny of soldiers, the flight of the imperial family, the abdication of the czar, and the reorganization of the government—all in the space of a few days. The available dispatches simply tell the bare facts surrounding the overthrow of the bureaucracy. It is not known, as yet what really happened.

COMMISSION IS FIRM.

Paving promoters who have come in contact with the State Highway commission have received little comfort. The commission insists that high prices for paving, boosted up to reimburse paving companies for promotion expenses, will not be tolerated. The state should not be required to pay promotion cost, the commissioners say, and they state further that if paving bidders do not whittle their prices down to where these fancy promotion prices are eliminated, the state will buy its own machinery and build its own roads by day labor.

A reduction of 25 cents a barrel on the market price of cement when used for road work was tendered by the Oregon Portland Cement Co. to the State Commission at its meeting just held, and the cement people were commended for the spirit they showed. However, the commission insisted that to be thoroughly fair, the cement company should include cement for bridge work in the 25 cents a barrel reduction. The company have the commission's demand under consideration, with every prospect of favorable concession.

The word has also gone out that no patented pavement will be used by the commission unless the promotion and royalty charges are squeezed right down to a reasonable profit on the actual work to be done. The commission

flatly states that all standard types of paving must be considered in open competition with each other, and that if none of the bids is low enough, "the commission will proceed to do the work itself by force account after the purchase and installation of its own paving plant." The quotation is from the formal expression of the commission.

All who come in contact with the commission are discovering that it means business, that it is composed of men who cannot be stampeded, and that promoters who try to put something over on the state receive short shift. The bearing of the commission is one of firm determination that a full dollar's worth of actual construction work must be done for every dollar expended by the state, and that none of the state's money may be used to pay for anything except full value received for actual work done.

THE SLAB CREEK SAGE SAYS

You never hear a marauder man say he prefers a storm to a dead calm.

An Irish philosopher says: he only way to prevent what's past is to put a stop to it before it happens.

A habit may be good or bad, according to whether you rule or it rules you.

Ajax may have defied the lightning, but he never bumped into a "U" boat.

If you would be happy forget the good you have done others and the evil they have done you.

A man seldom gets so full of emotion that he has no room for dinner.

Possession is nine points of the law and the attorney's fee is the tenth.

When you feel like doing a foolish thing, reflect that you have to live with your memory.

When fortune knocks at a shiftless man's door he is usually over at a neighbor's trying to borrow something.

When you think that you are going to learn to love a girl, remember that a little learning of that sort is a particularly dangerous thing.

LOVE IT AWAY.

There's a look on the face you can love away,
There's a crease in the brow you can smooth today;
There's a gleam in the eye you can change to one
That is sweet as the ray of the morning sun—
It's the touch of our loving, the sweet of our will
That scatter the shadows of anger and ill.

You can love it away, love the ache and the care,
Love the heart that is heavy with grief and despair
Till it lifts to the sunshine as flowers in the spring
And responds every time to the song that you sing—
Forgetting its wrinkles and creases and frown
At the touch of love's fingers like velvet of down.

—Baltimore Sun.

Household Hints

A little methylated spirit added to the rinsing water will make white silk look equal to new.

A siphon of soda water should be always kept in the nursery, as it is a good fire extinguisher.

For sealing bottles of fruit or pickles an excellent wax is obtained by melting together equal parts of resin and beef suet.

To revive a faded carpet sweep thoroughly, then wipe with a clean cloth that has been soaked in a weak solution of ammonia and water and well wrung.

Black lead mixed with turpentine instead of water gives a more brilliant and lasting polish and prevents the stove from rusting, no matter how damp the weather.

When buying nutmegs choose small ones. They have a better flavor than large nuts. To test a nutmeg prick with a needle. If good the oil will instantly spread round the puncture.

Fast Trains.

An American who was visiting in Scotland was expounding on the wonderful railway service which his native country afforded.

"Why, in America trains go so fast that it takes two people to talk about them—one to say 'Here she comes' and the other to say, 'There she goes.'"—Exchange.

Got It So.

Miss Black—I'm disgusted with my dressmaker. My new costume doesn't fit a little bit!

Miss White—Well, I heard you tell her you wanted it "awful bad."—St. Louis Republic.

**Inspiration
Miscellany**

Telling It In Confidence

"If you have information that you don't want people to spread around, keep it to yourself," says a writer in the American Magazine.

"The trouble with a human being who hears a thing in confidence is often this—he can't remember that he heard it in confidence. He remembers the item of news, provided it is juicy enough, but the fact that he heard it in confidence drops out of mind, and then he begins to tell it around. Telling a thing in confidence is a little like handing a man a jewel in an envelope and at the same time warning him to take as good care of the envelope as he takes of the jewel. Everything goes all right for awhile. But by and by the envelope wears out. It is a flimsy sort of thing anyway. And so there comes a time when the envelope, having grown thin and weak and frayed at the edges, slips off or is cast off and nothing remains but the jewel.

"How did I acquire all this wisdom on the subject of confidential communications? I will tell you. I acquired it recently in the school of experience. About three months ago I told something in strict confidence to a friend—a man of the highest character—one who would not injure me intentionally for the world. But—and this is what gave me a jar—he went and lost the green envelope, for yesterday he called at my office, carefully closed the door, drew his chair near to mine and in a low voice told me in strictest confidence exactly the same thing that I told him."

Kindness.

Don't quarrel. There is no good in it. It is impossible to extract truth from it. Its philosophy reflects a hostility to truth, because it is always one-sided and therefore an effort to make your side appear the better, which is itself a false attitude. It is quite difficult to get at the truth even in a serene and philosophical discussion simply because the truth is inaccessible to argument. Where is the road to truth? It is the road called Kindness. One will never reach truth by any other route. We have seen men get very mad at each other in argument, who finally extricated themselves from their mad spell, spoke rationally, shook hands and saw the truth. Try it and see.—Columbus State Journal.

Marriage as a Job

I heard a girl in an elevator the other day discussing with a sympathizing friend her differences with a floor-walker.

"Aw," she said, "I don't have to take any more sass off'n that gink. I'm goin' to quit here anyhow. I'm goin' to be married. No more work and no more bossing for me."

Any girl of her mental caliber who enters the married state is walking right into the hardest job she can ever hold down in her life and totally un-equipped for her position. Inside of a year, if she is as poor a wife as she has been a shopgirl, there will be another man hanging around the corner saloon trying to forget in a glass of cheap beer the confusion and the bad food in the flat at home. When she gleefully announced that she was going to stop work the thought of the

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meals, the cleaning and the laundry had evidently not occurred to her. And the floorwalker doesn't live who can hand out orders like a husband. You have to take them from a husband, too, for you cannot quit your job of matrimony as easily as you can in a shop.—Elizabeth Sears in Harper's Magazine.

The Love That Counts.

Whatever differences of opinion there may be about the practical value of the teachings of the great Russian, Leo Tolstoy, no one can question the noble common sense of these words, which M. Romain Rolland heard him say and has recorded in his life of Tolstoy:

"The greatest modern sin is the abstract love of humanity, impersonal love for those who are—somewhere out of sight.

"To love those we do not know, those whom we shall never meet, is so easy a thing. There is no need to sacrifice anything, and at the same time we are so pleased with ourselves. The conscience is fooled.

"No. We must love our neighbors—those we live with and who are in our way and embarrass us."

To form a good broom holder, nail two spools to the wall about two inches apart. Hang the broom upside down between the spools.

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