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Many southern papers say the South lost its best friend when Lincoln was assassinated. Historians are likely to agree on this point.

The Annapolis professor who walked 25 miles in 5 hours lost most of the advertising to which he was entitled, by neglecting to call it a Marathon.

Jack Binn's matrimonial correspondence is reported to have dropped off since it has been ascertained that his pay on the wireless is but \$12 a week.

That phrase about "parasites of the world," in the resolution of the Nevada legislature, is a fine example of sage brush rhetoric and statesmanship.

In declaring that he favors a reduction in the parcels post rate Senator Root shows that he knows where to find his predecessor's tenderest and most express corn.

Brazil not only welcomes but promotes Japanese immigration. The United States is willing that Brazil should monopolize it, so the matter ought to be adjusted without friction.

Admiral Sperry declares that the cruise of the big fleet has been successful from every point of view. It is the greatest moving picture show that Old Neptune has ever witnessed.

Chicago University is to have an \$800,000 library building as a memorial of the late President Harper. In a broader sense the University itself may be considered as his most fitting monument.

North and South America have 11,063,000 inhabitants who were born in Germany. Both continents agree that they are excellent citizens and that the number might be increased with advantage.

Japan notifies Korea that unless rioting stops, stringent measures will be taken. The mikado has some troubles near home and is satisfied that Uncle Sam will be able to hold Nevada within bounds.

Washington investigation shows that the merger of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company with the United States Steel Corporation, involving \$30,000,000, was effected without the exchange of one cent of real money—but it "helped the market."

Among the congressmen who recently visited Panama is Kennedy, of Ohio, an engineer by profession. He says the canal problems are those of immensity, not intricacy, and that the engineering difficulties in constructing "sky scrapers" are greater than any connected with the isthmian water way.

The American fleet will reach Hampton Roads on the last lap of its famous around the world cruise of 45,000 miles, on time tomorrow, and pass to their anchorage at home. While the cruise has been intensely interesting and valuable to officers and men, there is naturally widespread elation throughout the fleet, at the prospect of reaching home. It left Hampton Roads December 15, 1907, and will have been absent one year and 65 days.

Idiotic Talk Continues about "A Threatening War Against the United States" by Japan.

Recent anti-Japanese agitation has brought about a renewal of the loose talk as to the probability of Japan making war on the United States. Even if Japan's attitude were unfriendly, which it is not; there could be no better answer to such nonsense than the state of Japanese finances. Japan stands burdened today with a national indebtedness of over \$1,250,000,000. In other words, with a population of 5-10ths that of the United States its debt is 1-3d greater. Its credit is virtually exhausted.

For a war with the United States Japan could not borrow one dollar in any foreign market; National bankruptcy would be the speedy result. The Japanese government, however lacking in common sense our own jingoes may be, has sufficient intelligence to foresee the ruinous consequences of war with so rich and powerful a people. The war with Russia bled Japan white. The drain in men and money was enormous, and the next generation, and probably later ones, will groan under the cost of dearly bought victories. The Japanese are relatively poor people, and of the revenues raised under a crushing system of taxation almost 1-3d is required by the government to pay interest on the debt.

In the effort to restore order to the national finances, within the last few months it has been arranged to curtail expenditures by \$100,000,000, of which 40 per cent. is taken from the army and navy estimates. This is far from being the policy of a government whose heart is set on a perilous war. Indeed, it is in striking contrast with the course of the great European powers and the United States which in time of peace are engaged in a mad race of bloated armaments.

This reckless talk of war with Japan only serves to inflame agitation against Japanese on the Pacific coast. Our jingo politicians and navy contractors who continually rant about the need of more and bigger battleships, and the hot heads of the California sand lots, all belong in one class as mischievous disturbers of international peace.

What an example of courtesy and restraint, in contrast with the California sand lotters, is shown in the address of Consul-General Midzuno to the Japanese students in New York. Mr Midzuno politely assumed that "there must have been something objectionable in the conduct of the Pacific coast Japanese to account for an unpopularity there which is absent in New York." He advised his hearers not to brag about their actual or imaginary titles, or family honors in the home country, and not to hang together in little colonies, "as they do in San Francisco." Learn the language, understand the ways of the country, mingle with its people; was his advice, which should not come amiss to any foreigners.

Practically the only Japanese now coming to the United States are students, who will in time return to their own country; and merchants who promote a trade profitable to both peoples. Only in yellow minds are these a "yellow peril."

There appears to be something wrong both with the hart and head of the simplified spellers.

Announcement is made that in addition to the \$25 fare from Missouri river points; \$30.50 from St. Louis and \$33 from Chicago, a proportionate rate is good from every point in the United States, to this state. Say: From New York \$50; Boston \$49.75; Cleveland \$39.75; Birmingham \$40.25, etc.

The Supreme court decision that the wall paper trust, being an illegal corporation, cannot collect its debts through the courts, is the simplicity of law amplified. But suppose that it held an executive permit to combine, as the steel trust did in absorbing Tennessee coal and iron; would it not then be "a good trust," and entitled to the benefit of legal process?

It is characteristic of congress that the house committee on appropriations should strike out the item of \$500,000 for experiments with dirigible balloons by the war department. In the use and scientific development of the wireless telegraph, the submarine and the turbine engine, the United States government has been satisfied to let other nations take and keep the lead.

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N. W. THOMPSON,
4-324] Moro, Or.

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The owner or owners of the above animal is requested to call for it, prove property, pay charges and take it away, otherwise it will be sold, as provided by law, at the farm named in this advertisement, to the highest bidder for cash, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of Saturday February 27th, 1909.
J. O. ELLIOTT,
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