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**THE ALIEN WHO LIVES IN FEAR**

One reported yesterday that he had a neighbor, a young man who is trying to get on in the world, who is living in dread that he may be called to the colors of his country in Europe. He has been even told, since he is not an American citizen that the foreign government can send an agent here and take him back into the army. And his American neighbor believes this also. It seems necessary again to state that any man is safe on American soil whether he is a citizen made or not. There is no European country that can come and take him. The flag of the free is over him and protects him. If he were a fugitive from justice he might be taken out of this country, but no man can be taken out of this country except for an extraditable crime, whether he is a citizen or merely a resident.

The young man of foreign birth, who is trying to get on in this country may count himself entirely safe. All he has to do is to go on getting on here. He does not have to go back, even if the war should last for years, and he cannot be taken back—the only way to get into the army of his native country is by voluntarily offering up himself and while a man may owe something to the country of his birth, he owes, we believe, more to his family and home in America—and there are enough poor devils in Europe now for "cannon fodder."

**WILSON DOWN ON HYPHENATED AMERICANS**

The president has put his foot down on delegations of Americans with hyphenated names who want to call upon him to protest against this or that nation in Europe. He says he will receive no hyphenated Americans. He says a man is either a Frenchman, a German, a Belgian, an Austrian, a Russian, an Englishman, or he is an American. He cannot be a German-American or a French-American or any other kind of an American except a plain American. No American citizen can appear before him and make complaints against any one of the European combatants as such a hyphenated-American, and if he is an American citizen he ought to be observing the neutrality which has been proclaimed and not puppily take part in the war whatever his private opinions may be.

The president is right in this also and it is to be hoped that his advice will be heeded. We all have our opinions and our sympathies, which are apt to be along blood lines, but we should refrain from expressing them in such manner as to embroil the different racial elements in our own country. A man who wants to fight should not do so with his mouth in America. He should go to Europe and enlist in the proper army. We should have other business here than washing out Europe's dirty linen or blood stained garments of the present.

**USING AMERICAN WATERS NOW**

Among other things that will make for us is the amounts we have been spending for waters and for treatments at the European springs and baths from Baden to Baden. These expenditures, according to careful estimators, have totaled about \$100,000,000 a year since most of the wealthy class have made their expenditures there, and on a liberal scale. Persons suffering from rheumatism are the most numerous among these patients and money spenders.

But Americans are now cut off from all access to foreign springs and they will be turned toward the springs on their own land and these are abundant enough and as efficacious as those of Europe, if not more so.

A few years ago an Oregon man went to one of the German springs and while there consulted a doctor, a doctor who happened to know about Oregon waters. The doctor promptly told him that he need not have made so long a journey, that right at his own door at Hot Lake and various other places, there was running water to waste, that had all the qualities of the water he had come 8,000 miles to get.

But with Americans it has always been the theory that the pot of gold is at the foot of the rainbow and the cure-all is in some place with a name that he cannot pronounce. Perhaps, while the war is lasting, we will be able to educate Americans away from such foolish ideas. Let us hope so, for in the past we have kept ourselves poorer than we need to be by showering our patronage upon things foreign, instead of upon things at home.

**TRADE SOME APPLES FOR CORN**

We gain the knowledge from a Cedar Rapids, Iowa, paper that apple-growing is fast becoming a thing of the past in the corn state and it is proposed by that paper that the corn growers of Iowa trade some of their surplus grain to Oregon growers for some of our surplus apples. The Cedar Rapids paper says: "In Oregon they

complain that they do not know what to do with their apples, since the export demand for them has stopped. In Iowa, often, we do not know where to get good apples cheaply. In Oregon they are rotting in the orchards, in Cedar Rapids the Oregon apples are selling for five cents a piece on the fruit stands. The problem of distribution comes in again and it is always the biggest part of the food problem, for the average consumer pays two and three and even five times as much for what he eats as the average producer gets for it."

We hope that the Oregon apple and the Iowa stomach may be brought together into intimate contact. Apples, we are told, are the best of human food. A noted analyst says that two ounces of apple contain as much energy as an ounce of wheat bread. If that is true, and it is scientifically proved, then a six-ounce apple is the equivalent of three slices of bread, the apple weighing six ounces on an average and the slices one ounce. An apple, is, therefore, three times as good for your child, or for yourself, as the slice of bread. The apple contains the sugar and the starch, about six to ten, but not the fat and nitrogen, but the apple has what the flour has not, cellulose and certain acids which the human system craves and requires.

The command to eat fruit is, therefore, an imperative one and it cannot be violated without injuries to the human system. In good old days when the writer was a "kid" in Iowa, every family cellar had an ample supply of apples for winter use, but the old orchards have died out, many of them, and they have been neglected because the planting of wrong varieties of trees, and the habit of not caring for them, has convinced the people of Iowa that it is not an apple state. But if Oregon has the apples referred to in the above caption from the Cedar Rapids paper, the people of Iowa can afford to trade some of their corn for good red apples and they will be the gainers, while the growers of Oregon apples will be glad to dispose of their surplus apples in this way.

**"HEAVEN ON EARTH"**

The Bulletin issued by the State Agricultural College states that one farm in four keeps bees. Bees have been known to mankind for a long time, in fact they are often mentioned in the Scriptures, evidently showing that the value of the bee was known at that time and heaven has long been pictured as a place "flowing with milk and honey."

A bee is a wonderful insect. Maurice Maeterlinck, the great Belgian writer who has written in the public eye considerable of late, has written a masterpiece under the title, "The Life of the Bee." Bees he states possess wonderful intelligence. Bees understand the law which Adam Smith defined as "The Law of Deminishing Returns," and which simply means that when you get too much of a thing, instead of getting a benefit you get a disadvantage. They understand that when a hive gets too big for the good of everybody, that the hive should swarm and whether they shake dice to see who has to go, we do not know, but in any event we know that a part of the hive migrates and makes a new swarm.

A bee is a natural and intelligent worker and with a bit of co-operation on man's part he will accumulate considerable wealth in a year's time in the shape of honey. Years ago we simply allowed the bee to collect honey promiscuously and where his instincts prompted him to deposit it. We now furnish him a respectable place to live and lo and behold we find that instead of marketing three or four dollar's worth of honey yearly, we have doubled and trebled that amount and also bettered the product.

Bees are best adapted to intensive agriculture and intensive agriculture is differentiated from ordinary agriculture as nubbins are from the full ears of corn. No farmer is making the best use of his time who neglects to have a few swarms of bees on the place. Getting something for nothing is very near possible with bees, in fact more so, than with anything else. Success often depends upon the extra effort or the extra minute needed to perform a task right and the wasted minutes in farm life can be profitably spent in the culture of bees and in justice to the large number of farmers taking an active interest in this business, let us add that there are few men who cultivate the soil for a living but what harbor bees.

Life seems to be passing along just as smooth as before election. Hard feelings which may have arisen over differences of opinion regarding certain men or measures will soon be forgotten. However, if all or even half of the things said about certain candidates before election are true, then the people have become acquainted with the characters of some of the blackest-hearted scoundrels that ever lived.

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