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EM-TEES

SOLOMON'S LUCK.

By CHARLES B. DRISCOLL, King Solomon, the lucky King, I guess possessed most everything; He knew the algebra by heart And dabbled in most every art; His poems had a ready sale, His songs were grabbed up by the bale; His sheep were countless as the sands; He entertained with six brass bands. When Solomon a-wooling went He took along a regiment; He married all the girls in town, And no one dared to turn him down. Yet this same Solomon, I told, Wrote a book when he was old, "I've seen all things beneath the sun, I've had my little round of fun, And I would have all axes know All's vanity and empty show!" The poor man seemed in great distress, His stomach troubled him, I guess.

PREFERENCE.

Being single and his mother and sisters being well provided for by the business, a patriotic Scottish grocer decided to enlist, leaving his assistant, one Mackay, in charge. But a few months later the master was dumfounded to meet his late assistant attired in khaki, "somewhere in France." "Hee hee," he said, angrily, "did I not tell ye the tae stay in hame in charge o' ma shop?" "So I thought at the time, maister," replied Mackay, "but I sune fun' out it wasna only the shop I was in charge o', but a' yer womenfolk. 'Man' says I tae maself, 'gin ye've got to fecht gang and fecht some one ye can hit!' So I joined."

When some people ask for time to think, we wonder what they are going to think with.

Mabel had been experiencing camp life for several days with her parents when she said to her mother: "Things are awfully hard to find in a tent, aren't they?" "I don't think so," the mother replied. "What gives you that idea?" "Oh," said Mabel, "there aren't enough places to look."

SYMPHONIC.

The bride wore a traveling suit of traveling serge, while the groom wore a midnight blue.—The Rural Valley (Pa.) Advance.

If a man is inclined to lead a fast life he should lead it to a hitching post and the lot.

A French singer recently attended a reception at the home of a woman noted for her parsimoniousness. The hostess tried to converse with the Frenchman in his native language. He noticed that her lack of fluency was embarrassing her, and with commendable politeness, exclaimed: "Pardon, madam, somewhat the French is difficult for you; but I am able to understand your meaning if you will the English speak."

A GOOD POSITION

The passage of the eight-hour law by congress has created a big demand for telegraph operators, both in railway and commercial service. Young men and young women can obtain positions at \$75, \$80 and \$90 per month. Write at once for full particulars to the Railway Telegraph Institute, Panama Building, Portland, Or.

NEEDS A SAFETY VALVE

IN a communication, Mr. Mears denies that the Hughes alliance has attempted to inject the religious issue in the campaign—and says it is the Mail Tribune that has done it.

The Mail Tribune has not appealed to the religious prejudices of its readers to secure votes, as local officials of the Hughes alliance have.

The Mail Tribune has not produced a photoplay of fake scenes with the object of arousing religious prejudice at the polls, as the national republican committee has.

The Mail Tribune has not sent out circular letters seeking to stir up religious strife to influence the electorate, as the National Hughes alliance has.

The Mail Tribune merely chronicled facts. But it is not the appeal to religious prejudice that offends Mr. Mears or the Hughes alliance—it is the publicity, Mr. Mears does not criticize the actions of the league or the national committee.

Mr. Mears states that his "blood boils with indignation" over outrages to Americans in Mexico. But it did not boil enough to produce the steam needed to send him to the border in the militia.

The social injustice of our industrial system kills more Americans every year than have been killed in Mexico in the six years of revolution—and yet Mr. Mears' blood is not boiling over these wrongs at home.

Four years ago Mr. Mears' blood was boiling over the rape of the republican party by Messrs. Penrose, Barnes, Root, et al., and he stumped the county championing a program of social reform that has largely been enacted into law by the president. Yet today he has joined forces with the reactionary bosses he then repudiated to defeat the further realization of these reforms.

If Mr. Mears isn't careful, so much blood boiling will produce a pimple.

BLOCKADE, BLACKLIST AND HIGH COST OF LIVING

GERMANY, under stress of a war blockade which even yet is not so severe as our own blockade of the south fifty-odd years ago, is willing to pay enormous prices for such commodities as can be delivered to her either by blockade runners or secretly through the neutral countries of Holland, Denmark, Norway and Sweden.

It is the juiciest plum that a Chicago meat packer or a down east dollar lord has spied in a generation. There's hundreds of millions in it.

But the allies also see the plum and they have their bird guns loaded against those whose mouths water to pick it. The mails for America are opened to get at secret correspondence between the blockaded Germans on the other side and the American capitalists on this side who are not satisfied with the high prices they get for foods and other necessities in America itself, but long to triple their profits at Germany's expense.

When the correspondence reveals a secret blockade runner over here the allies prohibit their subjects from doing business with him. This is the famous blacklist.

The state department at Washington is deluged with shrieks of agony and howls for retaliation from meat packers, cotton speculators and others of that ilk whose greed sees multi-fortunes made in a year or two, fading over the horizon.

The common people of America should worry.

The meat packers, for instance, tell us that the law of supply and demand is the reason we are paying so much of our earnings for beef and pork. The supply for our huge population is low, therefore the prices are higher. But if a lot of that supply is permitted to go to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and Turkey it's very plain that prices will go so high in this country that only the rich will be able to eat meat. And so also with all other commodities that are already sky-high in this country and still rising rapidly as winter comes on.

WALL STREET'S OPINION

THE day after congress "demoralized the industrial life of the nation" and "wrecked the railroads" by passing the eight-hour law for railroad employes, the stock market began to boom. It has been booming ever since.

Railroad stocks which for months had been inactive under the threat of a strike, are from five to ten points higher today than the day the eight-hour law was passed—just a little over two weeks ago.

This is the real answer of Wall street and the investing public to the claims of the railroad presidents and managers that the action of the president and congress was a blow at the prosperity of the country in general and of the railroads in particular.

Wall street denounces Wilson for preventing a railroad strike, in the only way it could have been prevented, charging him with turning over the industries of the country to the labor unions. And then Wall street says by its acts—by its pocketbook acts—that the thing the president and congress did added hundreds of millions to the value of these same industries.

In the language of the New York World: "Cursing President Wilson is Wall street's favorite amusement, but capitalizing his statesmanship is its most profitable industry."

ANOTHER OUTBREAK NIGARAGUA ELECTION

SAN SALVADOR, Republic of Salvador, Sept. 23.—Advises were received here today from Nicaragua concerning another outbreak in connection with the presidential campaign which was marked recently by an attempt on the life of Dr. Julian Irujo, the liberal candidate for president. Liberals and conservatives

armed with rifles clashed at Masaya, capital of the department of that name. Several persons were killed or wounded.

A dispatch received here from reliable Nicaraguan sources says that Dr. Irujo has placed his resignation as a candidate in the hands of the executive council of his party.

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COMMUNICATIONS

To the Editor of the Mail Tribune:

I have read your editorial in the Mail Tribune entitled, "Injecting the Religious Issue." You state in your editorial that an attempt is being made by the local Hughes Alliance to inject the religious issue in the political campaign. This is absolutely false. You are the one that is injecting the religious issue. You are the one that has raised the issue.

The whole policy of your editorials in this campaign seems to stir up class and religious prejudice. The Hughes Alliance, both locally and nationally, is composed of men and women of all classes and all creeds. Thank God, we do not ask a man or woman where he comes from or what his religion is. We are American citizens and we stand for American principles, one of which is that no class or religious distinction shall have a place in our form of government.

My blood boils with indignation when I hear of our American women being outraged in Mexico. Whether these women are Protestant missionaries or Catholic nuns, or are the wives of American workmen, I am filled with indignation at these outrages and protest against it. They are American citizens, they are our women and ought to be protected. Because American men protest against these outrages on our women in Mexico, are they to be accused of stirring up class and religious issues?

We stand for religious liberty for all men and all women of all classes. A man or woman, who tries to stir up religious prejudice is an enemy of the republic. FRED W. MEARS, Chairman of Publicity Committee of the Hughes Alliance.

To the Editor: Isn't Mrs. Hanby just a little mis-

MOTHERS WHO HAVE DAUGHTERS

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taken about the feminine voters being so solid for Hughes? Of course, there are those that are blind to all but party interests. But there are also those that are broad enough to work for the interests of the common people and to vote for the one who will do the most to better their condition, even though he does happen to be a democrat. I think that if the "Prince of Peace" were to vote in this election He would vote for the one who has been the children's and workmen's friend in preference to a man whose greatest accomplishment seems to be looking for the faults of others.

Would Mrs. Hanby send her boy to the front as willingly, if it was real war like it is in the European trenches? Surely there is war enough now without the United States being in it, even though it might help Hearst and his interests.

If the American women will raise their boys to do as nearly right as President Wilson tries to do, no matter what their station in life, they will do their country a far greater favor than to raise them to fight every time someone disagrees with their point of view. I was raised a republican, but I believe our country needs President Wilson. Hughes is had enough where he is. MOTHER OF THREE BOYS.

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THE WRONG MEDICINE

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