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A LIFE ON THE OCEAN WAVE.

A life on the ocean wave,
A home on the rolling deep,
Where the scattered waters rave
And the winds their revels keep
Like an eagle caged I pine
On this dull, unchanging shore—
Oh, give me the flashing brine,
The spray and the tempest's roar!

Once more on the deck I stand
Of my own swift gliding craft;
Set sail; farewell to the land;
The gale follows fair aft.
We shoot through the sparkling foam
Like an ocean bird set free—
Like the ocean bird our home
We'll find far out on the sea.

The land is no longer in view,
The clouds have begun to frown,
But with a stout vessel and crew
We'll say, Let the storm come down!
And the song of our hearts shall be,
While the winds and the waters rave,
A home on the rolling sea!
A life on the ocean wave!

—Epes Sargeant.

THE REFERENDUM.

Lewis Stockton discussing the referendum in Public Opinion says: Elections are usually blind contests between parties, based on organized efforts to arouse partisanship to the point of frenzied acquiescence in half truths—which are the worst kinds of lies.

But the referendum is a corporate non-partisan expression of the electorate on a definite concrete issue.

Laws enacted by representatives may be good and yet not be adapted to the needs of the people.

That is, the will of the people may not acquiesce in the needs for the laws.

But laws enacted directly by the people will always have popular support, command public respect and be stable and enforceable.

The intelligence of the community recognizes that the American representative system as at present constituted, does not represent: First, because the people do not nominate; second, because the people do not recall; third, because the people cannot compel representative action without the power to nominate and the power to recall public officers, or the power to legislate directly.

The object of direct legislation is not to abolish representative government but to secure truly representative government.

Switzerland has representative government; the United States without it has irresponsible party government.

The referendum would conserve the right of the people to representative government, and also the people's individual, political and property rights.

Such a system is therefore conservative.

THOSE WHO OPPOSE THE REFERENDUM PREFER THE IRRESPONSIBLE PARTY SYSTEM WHICH EXISTS, BECAUSE UNDER IT THE PEOPLE DO NOT RULE.

The modern referendum was invented in the United States. It has been in constant use since colonial days in every state in the most important legislation, namely, constitutional enactments. As to ordinary legislation its merits have been often tested in the United States, and for a third of a century systematically in Switzerland.

THE MAIN MERIT OF THE REFERENDUM IS THAT IT EDUCATES THE ELECTORATE IN AFFAIRS OF GOVERNMENT.

A people who never made mistakes in exercising governing power never learned how to govern, and therefore have never governed.

In the government of cities the governing muscles of citizenship have become atrophied and citizens are looted by their "expert" governors.

The supreme court of New York has defined franchises to be "a branch of the sovereign power of the state subsisting in a person or corporation by a grant from the states."

But it is sovereign power it cannot be granted.

It is, therefore, merely the exercise of sovereign power that is granted—the right of governing.

But the right of governing which has been delegated cannot legally be re-delegated by the government to a person or corporation.

The United States supreme court has defined franchises to be contracts made by the agents of the people, and to be considered as the acts of the people because the people can act by these agents.

BUT IT IS NOT AND NEVER WAS TRUE THAT THE PEOPLE CAN ACT ONLY BY AGENTS.

THEY CAN AND HAVE ACTED DIRECTLY FOR OVER A CENTURY IN MAKING AND AMENDING CONSTITUTIONS.

When they resume the power of acting directly in ordinary legislation they can declare void acts of agents which are ultra vires, or illegal, as delegating governing power.

They will thus make their sovereignty a reality in the great question of franchise grants which concerns the whole nation.

It is not important, however, to guess how the people will use their power when they recover it.

It is not necessary to defend the sovereign people against the disloyal assumption that they will act unjustly or unwisely or against the interests of the whole body of the people.

It is important to observe that they will then have the power to see that the public interests are placed first; and it is well to understand that under the present system the public interests are not paramount.

The question is altogether one of rights.

The right and power of the sovereign people resides in the people, and is expressed by them in their corporate capacity by means of majority votes at the polls.

Epic Power of American Statistics.
America, indeed, is not merely great in a degree which imagination finds almost as difficult to grasp as to realize astronomical quantities. America is still growing, and growing at a rate of which home-keeping wits among us can hardly form the faintest conception. When we are prepared to believe the largest conception we can rise to the truth outstrips the estimate before we have time to mend our ideas.

Take, for instance, the development of the Canadian Dominion. Its commercial expansion is magnificent, and in time it will become a state for populousness and wealth second to none, not even to the republican neighbor. But here is some danger lest Englishmen should suppose that in Canada at least the empire will be made itself, and that the impetus of natural resources is beginning to place it beyond competition as respects rate of progress. But this is so far from the fact that we can only fairly realize what is going on in the United States when we measure its wonderful march, even against the present advance of Canada. The Dominion is receiving emigrants at the rate of nearly 300,000 a year. But they are bumped into the industrial and political system of the United States at the rate of more than a million a year, and, fast as our greatest colony increases, the number of new citizens across the border multiplies four times as fast.

That is the tremendous fact; the republic is adding, and for some period will almost certainly continue to add, an increment of inhabitants every decade equal to the whole white population of the king's dominions outside these islands. These comparisons beggar all rhetoric, and throw all eloquence back upon figures. When we are dealing with the reflections suggested by the 4th of July we are compelled to recognize that there is something like epic poetry in the sheer splendor and power of American statistics. The republic is rapidly rising, in a word, toward the 100,000,000 standard of population, and in a very few years will have attained that mark. That will be the feature of world politics as massive and conspicuous in its way as are the Egyptian pyramids in theirs. And as with the human census, so with every other factor in the equation.

In spite of all superficial impressions sometimes entertained to the contrary, there is no doubt that material prosperity per head rises in the United States as fast as the number of heads increases. The energy of mechanical invention never stops, and the efficiency of the labor-saving machines is intensified with every millioned addition to the hands available for working them. The soil, the forests, the mines, the mills are utilized, not with a slackening, but with an accelerating rapidity of exploitation. It is sometimes thought that American agriculture is approaching its limit of production. On the contrary the vast harvests of food and raw material become even larger year by year, though the insatiable consuming power of the country itself devours more and more of the product, and does not allow the margin for export to widen in proportion to the volume of production.

The United States has the wealth and technical resources required to create the largest irrigation system known, and even American agriculture is only beginning in many ways to realize its possibilities. The case is equally astonishing, but of course less satisfactory, with respect to mineral resources, the best deposits being worked out with a fierce speed which threatens to put the comparatively near future at a serious disadvantage. Throughout the unprecedented industrial progress of the last two or three years there has never been labor enough, transport enough, money enough, though the men, the

mileage and the capital are already there, and increasing in masses and quantities which might have oppressed the mind of Babbage and paralyzed the arithmetical powers of the Calculating Boy.—London Telegraph.

The Limit of Life.

The most eminent medical scientists are unanimous in the conclusion that the generally accepted limitation of human life is many years below the attainment possible with the advanced knowledge of which the race is now possessed. The critical period, that determines its duration, seems to be between 50 and 60; the proper care of the body during this decade cannot be too strongly urged; carelessness then being fatal to longevity. Nature's best helper after 50 is Electric Bitters, the scientific tonic medicine that revitalizes every organ of the body. Guaranteed by J. C. Perry, druggist. 50c.

Alcohol for Automobiles.

Alcohol is reproduced in the cycle of the seasons; it is absolutely inexhaustible; it is made out of sunshine and air, and its composition does not lessen the value of the soil or the energy of the earth. Gasoline, on the contrary, represents a part of the stored energy of the earth; it exists only to the extent of about 2 per cent in petroleum, and its supply will in the future inevitably fall. Today the supply of gasoline is so much less than the demand that it practically cannot be obtained by many who would use it. If all the gasoline engines in America worked continuously for a day of ten hours they would consume some 4,000,000 gallons of gasoline.

Then, industrial alcohol is practically constant in composition; gasoline, on the contrary, is a mixture, and is generally badly adulterated. Again, alcohol is beyond all question safer and more cleanly to use. Its safety lies in the fact that it is not so readily inflammable, and that it dissolves in water, even to its per cent in whisky, will at once extinguish it. Gasoline, on the other hand, is extraordinarily inflammable, and, what is much worse, it floats on water; in a gasoline fire the more the water is used the more the fire spreads. This fact for alcohol is of extreme importance in the question of insurance and in its use for motor-boats. Still again, with alcohol the smell of the exhaust is almost imperceptible; at any rate, gasoline, in this respect, could not endure comparison. Another advantage for alcohol lies in the fact that cylinders and valves do not become plugged with residual products, as with gasoline, and that its combustion is cleaner and its ignition more perfect.

Perhaps the greatest advantage possessed by alcohol in a struggle with gasoline rests in the higher compressibility of its vapor; the compression of alcohol vapor may safely be carried to 200 pounds per square inch, while that of gasoline cannot endure more than 80 pounds without danger of premature explosion. Next, it requires no more skill to operate an alcohol engine than a gasoline engine. Finally, it may be expected that alcohol can always be made in the locality of the demand; it will not require, like gasoline, transportation through extensive distances.

With proper manipulation, any engine working with gasoline or kerosene can operate, unaltered, with alcohol.

It can be operated with alcohol only at about twice the cost of gasoline. This is shown in a recent test of fuel economy, in which three automobiles running on alcohol, a mixture of kerosene and gasoline, and gasoline, respectively, traveled from Trenton, N. J., to Atlantic City, 106.8 miles. While the alcohol engine ran perfectly at a rate of 35 miles an hour, it consumed 14 1/2 gallons of alcohol, at 37 cents a gallon, constituting a total cost of \$5.36 1/2, as against the performance of its rival, which consumed 7 1/2 gallons of gasoline, at 22 cents, with a total cost of \$1.65. The relation of the two is best shown as the cost per ton mile, which for alcohol works out to \$0.0392, and for gasoline \$0.01354, about half as much.—Professor Robert K. Duncan in Harper's.

Why Fret and Worry

When your child has a severe cold. You need not fear pneumonia or other pulmonary diseases. Keep supplied with Ballard's Horehound Syrup—a positive cure for Colds, Coughs, Whooping Cough and Bronchitis. Mrs. Hall of St. Louis, S. D., writes: "I have used your wonderful Ballard's Horehound Syrup on my children for five years. Its results have been wonderful." Sold by D. J. Fry.

C. J. Kurth left this morning for Eugene, where he will spend a ten-days' vacation visiting friends.

A Cat With One Kitten.

A friend of mine owns a most wonderful cat. A few months ago my friend had occasion to "fit," and during the bustle of packing and loading the carts, puss and her kitten, evinced great uneasiness, and finally disappeared. No trace of them could be found inside the house or out, and, much to my friend's distress of mind, she had to depart without them. Only about half a mile along the road one of the children shouted:

"Oh, mother, look at puss!" Sure enough, there was the faithful creature trotting timidly behind the carts, and so she followed on to the end of the journey.

After examining the new home she again disappeared, and just after dusk my friend heard shrieks of delight coming from baby's cot in the next room.

Gently opening the door, she beheld puss rubbing her furry face against baby, and he screaming with joy, while, curled up in a corner, lay a poor bedraggled kitten fast asleep.

The devoted mother had just taken the bearings of the new home and then returned for her kitten; carrying it all the way in her mouth, a distance of three miles. S. F. Chronicle.

For an Impaired Appetite.

To improve the appetite and strengthen the digestion try a few doses of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Mr. J. H. Seltz of Detroit, Mich., says: "They restored my appetite when impaired, relieved me of a bloating feeling and caused a pleasant and satisfactory movement of the bowels." Price 25 cents. Samples free. For sale at Dr. Stone's drug store.

Why Caged Birds Die.

"So the canary's dead, eh?" said a dealer. "It was a fine bird, too—well worth the \$40 you paid for it."

"But I don't wonder it died. You would keep it hanging near the ceiling. That is why so many birds die. They shouldn't be kept up high at all. Their cages should be on tables, not hooks."

"Up near the ceiling the air of a room is very bad, especially at night. Indeed, at night, if you burn oil or gas, the air is insupportable up there. And particularly in rooms where smoking goes on—you know how smoke, like all other impurities, mounts—it is bad to hang birds high."

"Why can't the world remember the old catch:—
"Birds hung high ever die."

Don't Be Blue

And lose all interest when help is within reach. Herbine will make that liver perform its duties properly. J. B. Vaughn Elba, Ala., writes: "Being a constant sufferer from constipation and a disordered liver, I have found Herbine to be the best medicine for these troubles, on the market. I have used it constantly. I believe it to be the best medicine of its kind, and I wish all sufferers from these troubles to know the good Herbine has done me." Sold by D. J. Fry.

Will Install Plant.

The W. H. Judson company of Portland, which purchased the Estacada Manufacturing company's plant at Estacada and additional grounds, a few weeks ago, will install a car manufacturing plant with a capacity of 5 cars a day. The company has increased its capital stock to \$250,000. It is expected that \$25,000 will be spent in repairs and adding to the plant. The main inducements for its locating at Estacada were the timber near at hand and the ample electric power. Several streets were vacated by the Estacada council at its last meeting in deference to the wish of the company.—Oregon City Star.

Don't Grumble

When your joints ache and you suffer from Rheumatism. Buy a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment and get instant relief. A positive cure for Rheumatism, Burns, Cuts, Contracted Muscles, Sore Chest, etc., Mr. I. T. Bogy, a prominent merchant at Willow Point, Texas, says that he finds Ballard's Snow Liniment the best all round Liniment he ever used. Sold by D. J. Fry.

A Social Rise.

She used to go to parties when she lived at Jaytown Junction; But in the city she now attends Nothing short of a function. —Chicago News.

The Texas Wonder.

Cures all kidney, bladder and rheumatic troubles; sold by all druggists, or two months' trial treatment by mail for \$1.00. Dr. E. W. Hall, 2926 Olive street, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by Stone's drug store.

CONVICT'S CLEVER ESCAPE

One of the most clever tricks that has ever been perpetrated by a prisoner, in making his escape, was that of Charles T. Duke, a convict who got up from Clatsop county, who walked away from the penitentiary unharmed yesterday afternoon.

Duke, with a number of other prisoners, was at work in the brick yard, near the penitentiary walls, where brick is being made to construct the new wing which is being built at the asylum. Several wood haulers were in the yard with their wagons, and the clever convict, selecting an opportune moment, slipped behind a pile of wood, where he found a hat, a pair of overalls and a jumper, which were quickly donned and securing a stick he walked boldly out among the piles of wood and wagons as though he was measuring wood.

He then leisurely walked past the guards, and made good his escape unobserved. It was full an hour before the prisoner was missed, and officers were sent in pursuit, but no trace has been found of him.

The guard whom Duke passed said to be a new man, but the escapee adopted might have fooled an experienced detective. Several of the wood haulers are said to have seen Duke, but all thought that he had authority to measure the wood.

The escaped convict was sentenced to serve two and a half years for obtaining money under false pretenses and had only served about a month of his sentence.

"I declare, John," exclaimed Gabs, "I don't believe you are lying to a word I say?"

"Well, I'm letting you do all the talking," rejoined her husband. "What more do you want?"—Chicago News.

Eczema.

For the good of those suffering with eczema or other such trouble, I wish to say, my wife had some of that kind and after using the doctors' remedies for some time concluded to try Chamberlain's Salve and it proved to be better than anything she had tried. For sale at Stone's drug store.

The Limit.

Mrs. Jones—That old maid in door is the worst borrower I ever knew.

Mrs. Brown—Indeed! Mrs. Jones—Yes. Why, only yesterday she came over to inquire she could borrow my husband for an hour to mow her lawn, through a man who had insulted her, and discharged her cook.—Scraps.

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Cherished Relic.

Percy Grind—My father's gift piece of the original charter Mugsy Play—Dat's nuthin'; my brother's got half de bat dat Kool made his famous home run against de Giants wit'.—Chicago News.

"Everybody Should Know"

Says C. G. Hays, a prominent business man of Buff, Mo., that Dr. J. C. Perry's Arnica Salve is the quickest and surest healing salve ever applied to a sore, burn or wound, or to a pile of piles. I've used it and know I'm talking about it. Guaranteed by J. C. Perry, druggist, 25c.

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Naval Pigeons to Be Ousted.
The pigeons carried upon many English gunboats, destroyers, and torpedo-boat destroyers for communication with the shore are to be ousted. Of late the admiralty have been experimenting at Davenport with wireless telegraphic communication between destroyers and the mainland having overcome the difficulty of a mast by running a light "gaff" from the deck of the torpedo craft for the receiving and transmitting of messages. It is now believed that the principal pigeon loft at Whale Island (under charge of Lieutenant William Barrett, champion swordsman of the navy) and the smaller ones at Davenport and Sherrness, will be abolished, and that no more pigeons will be carried by the fleets engaged in the naval maneuvers. In connection with the

pigeon post, however, it is interesting to recollect that the late Queen Victoria invariably had several birds on board the royal yacht the old Victoria and Albert.

Endorsed by the Country.
"The most popular remedy in Otsogo county, and the best friend of my family," writes Wm. M. Dietz, editor and publisher of the Otsogo Journal, Gilbertsville, N. Y., "is Dr. King's New Discovery. It has proved to be an infallible cure for coughs and colds, making short work of the worst of them. We always keep a bottle in the house. I believe it to be the most valuable prescription known for Lung and Throat diseases." Guaranteed to never disappoint the taker, by J. C. Perry's drug store. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.