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WASHINGTON

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, D. C. Aug. 29, 1907. "Our friends, the enemy" have contributed most largely to the gayety of nations during the last week by a public exposition of their differences, differences which, if properly handled, should make for Democratic success at the polls in November, 1908. Speaker Cannon, who insists that he is "seventy-one years young" has announced his candidacy for the presidency, and at the same time has bid defiance to the President by emphasizing the great prosperity and declaring that it would be a "crime" for Congress to do anything which would upset the business of the country, business as Mr. Cannon uses it always meaning the tariff and the protected industries. Politicians in Washington understand the Speaker's words moreover, to be a warning to the President that he will have none of the proposed extension of the railway regulation laws, tariff revision or other legislation which would prove obnoxious to the interests which support the wing of the party which Mr. Cannon represents.

Up in New York state Governor Hughes has, in thinly veiled terms, been declaring his disapproval of the Railway Rate Law and other legislation which has or may serve to curtail the power of the corporations. The states are all sufficient to do the work, says Governor Hughes, all of which is good old-fashioned Democratic doctrine, but which sounds peculiar coming from the man whom Theodore Roosevelt made governor of New York. Mr. Hughes believes in conservatism with a big C, and perhaps that is but natural, since all his old friends and associates are to be found between 26 Broadway, the office of the Standard Oil Company, and the lower end of Wall Street.

Secretary Taft is still making professions of faith on his way west, and is endorsing most of the President's policies, much to the chagrin of the conservative faction of the Republican party, which had hoped that Taft, who seems most likely to get the nomination, would get behind the great works of Republicanism and refrain from the "radicalism" which has marked the Roosevelt era. Out in Ohio, Foraker is making frequent speeches condemning the President for forcing him and others to pass the Railway Rate Law, which is so obnoxious to Mr. Foraker's railway affiliations, and denouncing the President for dismissing without honor the negro soldiers of the 25th Infantry, a denunciation which is of course an appeal to Ohio's 100,000 negro voters.

The President has once more essayed the role of peacemaker, this time attempting to bring order out of the chaos which for some time has existed in the Central American countries. In conjunction with President Diaz of Mexico, President Roosevelt has addressed a telegraphic note to the Presidents of Honduras, Nicaragua, Salvador, Costa Rica and Guatemala, begging them to meet in a peace conference and adopt a joint treaty binding all five to submit to arbitration any differences which cannot be settled by diplomatic negotiations. The two executives promise the good offices of their respective countries to assist in this praiseworthy move, and will doubtless act as arbitrators, if so desired. The President and Secretary Root have long contemplated some such move as that now taken, but they waited until they had diplomatic assurances that the suggestions would not prove unwelcome to any of the powers addressed. Recent information, coming from unofficial sources, to the effect that Nicaragua was again preparing an expedition against Salvador, led to the dispatching of the note by telegraph.

The Navy Department has decided to bring "Old Ironsides," in other words, "the good ship Constitution," down to Annapolis where, it is believed, it will be an object lesson in patriotism to the "middles" who are preparing to serve their country as officers in the navy. The old ship was fast going to ruin in the Boston Navy Yard when Senator Lodge secured the passage of a bill appropriating funds for the reconditioning of her seams and the restoration of her upper works. Of course, the Senator expected that the ship would remain in the

Scrofula

Few are entirely free from it. It may develop so slowly as to cause little if any disturbance during the whole period of childhood. It may then produce dyspepsia, catarrh, and marked tendency to consumption, before causing eruptions, sores or swellings. To get entirely rid of it take the great blood-purifier,

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Boston Navy Yard, and his work in Congress was loudly applauded in his home city, but the docks of the navy yard are crowded, and the Department has decided that the ship will serve a better purpose at the cradle of the Navy, where there is ample room in the comparatively peaceful waters of the Chesapeake, and as soon as the work of rejuvenation is completed, the old vessel will be towed south.

The Hon. James Campbell, of Ohio, is authority for the statement that Alton B. Parker will again be a candidate for the Democratic nomination, next year. Mr. Campbell says he is skeptical regarding the accuracy of the report at first, but that he has satisfied himself that it is correct. Mr. Parker is reported to be receiving an income of \$50,000 a year from the law firm with which he is associated, but doubtless \$50,000 a year and occupancy of the White House, rent free, for four years, would prove a good deal more attractive.

The friends of Hon. Charles A. Towne are trying to start a boom for that versatile citizen for the presidency. They have not made much headway thus far, but they insist that he is the most likely candidate in the field, and Washington correspondents can have any amount of material telling why this is so for the asking. It is to be hoped that there will be some available candidates before the convention besides Mr. Bryan, just to make it a genuinely lively Democratic convention. Of course, Mr. Hearst will be there with the support of the Independence League, and doubtless there will be enough doing to make it interesting, and not such a cut and dried affair as was the Republican convention of three years ago.

Florist's Frost Bells.

An electric bell tinkled sharply beside the florist's desk. "Frost!" he said, and ran hatless to the greenhouse. "The fires had sunk," the florist explained on his return. "The watchman had fallen asleep. But for my frost bell I'd have lost hundreds of dollars." "Frost bells are now pretty generally used by florists and fruit growers," he went on. "An electrical contrivance is connected with a thermometer and when the mercury falls to a certain point—you regulate this danger point to suit yourself—a bell rings a warning in your house or office."

"Many a crop of winter fruit and flowers has been saved in the last year or two by the clever little frost bell."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Bomb in Letter.

So expert are bomb makers nowadays that an apparently harmless letter may kill any person who tries to open it. A piece of cardboard is cut to a size which, when folded over, will fit into an ordinary envelope. The four corners of this are slit into narrow strips. Fulminate of mercury is spread over three of the slits and the sheet is folded and fastened together. Projecting from each side of the folded sheet is a little metal strip, or detonator, glued to the cardboard in such a manner that the envelope cannot be opened without striking one of them. Upon meeting this slight resistance the hand moving the paper cutter instinctively pushes harder, and the result is an explosion that either kills or maims.

KIDNEY TROUBLE

The importance of knowing just what to do when one has kidney disease or urinary troubles, is best answered by the following letter which was recently published in the Foughkeepsie, N. Y., News-Press: "Dr. David Kennedy, Dear Sir:—For more than eighteen months I was so badly afflicted with kidney trouble I could scarcely walk a quarter of a mile without almost fainting. I did not gain any until I began to use Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. After using the first bottle I noticed a decided improvement which continued, and I know that

DR. DAVID KENNEDY'S FAVORITE REMEDY

saved my life, for I was in a miserable condition up to the time I began to take it—my friends thought I never would be better. My sister also has been very sick with bladder trouble for over a year, so bad that quantities of blood would come from her. She suffered at times most frightful pain, and nothing seemed to help her until she began the use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. She is now using her third bottle, and is like a different person. MRS. THOMAS DYE. Write Dr. David Kennedy's Sons, Rondout, N. Y., for free sample bottle. Large bottles \$1. All druggists

CAUSE OF DIVORCES

SOCIAL CHANGES CAUSED BY WOMAN'S EMANCIPATION.

Different View Taken of a Husband's Indiscretions—Wife No Longer Bound by Social Ethics to Suffer in Silence.

Guests at a luncheon were surprised the other day to hear a woman who belongs to one of the most conservative American families say with conviction.

"The prevalence of divorce in this country is the outcome of the emancipation of women."

The remark savored of clubdom and platform oratory, and yet the listeners knew that the speaker had never in her life attended a woman's club meeting or listened to women speechmakers.

"In our grandmother's time," said the speaker, "what fashionable woman, or let us say what woman in good society dreamed of going to the theatre or opera or any other place of amusement at night without a man to escort her?"

"Thirty years or so ago when a woman's husband refused to take her out on an evening she mostly stayed at home. At that date, as my family legends prove, married men were quite as prone as they are now to affect stag parties and to spend their evenings away from their own firesides. So far as I can discover the New York man has not changed his social habits at all. It is the woman who has changed hers, and all because of emancipation."

"Now don't ask me to define the word. I think my little daughter of 5 has the meaning down fine. The other day she struck out with her fists at her boy cousin of the same age in self-defence and when her governess told her that ladies never use their fists the baby answered quick as a flash: 'If gentlemen use their fists then ladies can use them too.'

"Emancipation means, I suppose, different things to different women, but in general it means more nearly a tit for tat sort of game than men and women used to play and decidedly more independence for the latter."

"You think fewer divorces thirty years ago than now meant merely that women lacked courage to fly in the faces of public opinion?" said the hostess.

"Precisely. In those days people tried, whether wisely or not, to keep the family skeleton locked up."

"For a woman of fashion to appear in court or to have any of her marital experiences aired in public was considered such shockingly bad form that most women would and did decide to suffer on in silence rather than run the risk of forfeiting the good opinion of Mrs. Grundy. For example a progenitor of mine, one of the most popular men of his day, kept up two establishments for many years before his death. His wife was perfectly aware of the fact, as were his intimate friends."

"If ever a woman was entitled to a divorce that man's wife was, and probably she often wished she could come out and show up that precious husband of hers in his true colors. No, of course, she did nothing of the sort. Divorce was not in fashion then. Women hadn't begun to hold meetings and talk equal rights."

"Ask any woman who moved in New York society twenty-five or thirty years ago and she will tell you that the men who deserved rounding up in a divorce court were just as plentiful then as now."

"That may be true of the men, but the women surely—"

"Emancipation again. According to the social ethics of those days there was a tremendous gap between the codes of morals laid down for man and for woman. Men who were welcomed in drawing rooms then, men who were famed for the number of their amours, would not be tolerated in the same houses to-day. No matter how a married man carried on outside of his home, his wife understood that she must be politely oblivious and keep quiet. She generally did keep quiet."

"No matter how intensely she longed to break the marriage bonds, she was bound hand and foot by conventions which did not countenance divorce. In short, man was 'it' a quarter of a century ago and woman had to deport herself accordingly or lose social prestige."

"Emancipation has brought a decided change. Nowadays, to some extent men and women must take the same medicine for marital unfaithfulness and incompatibility. The penalty is no longer one sided."

"If a man consistently neglects his wife he is reasonably sure that before long he will have to get a new wife to neglect, and vice versa. Woman has given up suffering in silence."

"Perhaps the old way was the better. Some people, I am aware, think it was better. I don't care to argue that. My point is simply this: It is the emancipation of women along industrial and social lines which is answerable for the increased number of divorces and not a degeneration in morals."—New York Sun.

Potato Griddle Cakes.

Take one cup of flour sifted, add one teaspoonful of baking powder and half a teaspoonful of salt and two large potatoes grated. Make into batter with half a cup of milk and fry on a hot, well-greased griddle.

SEARCHLIGHT SENTINELS.

Important Fighting Aids—Shining Marks Not Often Hit.

Little has been written of what is perhaps one of the greatest fighting units in modern warfare, the searchlight.

Hereafter, every great Power will not only have its fighting ships well protected with the searchlight, but each army corps will have its own detachment and apparatus for this very necessary auxiliary.

For it has come to be one of the most important uses of electricity, says Army and Navy Life, enabling artillerymen to remove many of the uncertainties from the much dreaded night attack.

Shallow waters that are suspected to have been planted with submarine mines are always subject to such attack by the enemy in small boats. Volunteer landing crews are often sent with orders to destroy all electrical shore connections and thus render the mines useless.

Foggy weather is the most favorable time for this work. The boats are usually masked in gunny sacks to avoid all noise.

In normal weather scouting of this character is by the use of the light, sure to be detected. Then woe unto the small boat crews. For the great white beam gives only a few seconds of silent grace in which to raise the flag of surrender, then glares on the slaughter by the rapid fires.

Important channels or such passageways of water as are too deep to be successfully mined usually rely for their protection on several of the lights. As discovered vessels form a very good target, the gunners in the forts gleefully lick their chops; while the enemy, owing to the disappearing gun carriage now used, has practically nothing on which to concentrate his fire.

The operator does not stand near the light, but takes up his position in the fire commander's station, an elevated tower at some distance from it. It is above sea level and commands the harbor.

Here is located the controller, which by reason of its electrical connection with the two motors in the base gives full control of the light. By merely shifting the handle the flashing beam travels at will.

A dense fog, however, is absolutely impenetrable and smoke or slight mist causes the beam to be followed with difficulty. Then sometimes distinct images are shown such as dust in the air and which to the novice would appear as dark objects on water.

However, when weather conditions are unfavorable, the enemy is not apt to move about much. Cloudy weather and rain are rather beneficial than otherwise as dust and smoke which act as a screen to the light are washed out of the air.

But the very natural question is: Why doesn't the enemy throw a few shells and destroy the searchlight? It's certainly bright enough and one would think, would afford an easy mark.

It has been found, however, after repeated trials that to determine the exact location of the lamp is almost an impossibility. Then again the forts have the advantage of a fixed gun and a comparatively large target, whereas the ship has an unsteady gun base and a very small target, in fact not more than eight feet. An expert marksman even at half a mile distance has hardly one chance out of fifty to hit the projector.

"Very well then, wait until daylight and blaze away at the shelter house in which the lamp is kept," is said.

A very good scheme, very good indeed, only the shelter house, under actual war conditions, is mostly a blind and contains nothing. For the latest type of searchlight is mounted on a motor car, and like the service ghost is never around in the daytime.

Care of Esquimaux Baby.

The arrival in the world of the youthful Esquimaux is not greeted by the orthodox cradle and swaddling clothes. Practically till he can shift for himself he lives absolutely naked inside his mother's seal skin blouse, skin to skin keeping him warm, says the American Missionary.

This arrangement allows the mother to go about her work almost immediately, and she can also travel and hunt without a perambulator and without having to leave any one at home to "mind" the baby. The mother's dress is almost exactly like the father's, except that it has a long sort of tail reaching nearly to the ground, embryo, no doubt, of the modern "train."

Spared the miseries of soap and water, and early weaned to the readily swallowed diet of blubber and raw seal meat, the infant rapidly develops that invaluable layer of subcutaneous fat, which, while it enhances the "jolly" appearance of the lads and the shapeliness of the maidens, assists materially in economy in clothing.

Thus in their frigid clime, once in their skin tent, the whole family will divest themselves of every stitch of clothing, unembarrassed by the fact that so many families share the tent with them. Sociability is early developed when one's next door neighbor on each side is only separated by an imaginary line between the deerskin you sleep on and the one he uses. The winter deerskin serves as bed and bedding at night and as parlor furniture during the day. Community of goods is almost imperative under this arrangement. Thus when one kills a seal all are fed; and likewise, when he doesn't, all go hungry together.

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