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The two noblest things which are succetness and light .- Swift.

The season of unusual mortality among grandmothers opens today. "And Villa fifty miles ahead."-From the

great new ballad, "Pershing's Ride." "No Man Beyond Danger."-Lenten

Not even the Colonel? The injunction, "Play ball!" should be heeded

Huntingdon streets today. The report from Washington that Vice President Marshall is to be President Wilson's

in the City Hall as well as at Broad and

running mate again is unduly optimistic. Judging by the number of times it has been marificed in the last twenty months, the "flower of the German army" must be a hardy

William Barnes' denial that he will support Roosevelt was as unnecessary as a Roosevelt statement that Barnes is a messenger of sweetness and light.

perennial.

The success of the Bryn Mawr college girls in managing their tearoom seems to prove that a college education does not destroy the domestic efficiency of young women.

Apparently with the object of starting all things in a rose-colored aura, the Democrats propose J. Hamilton Lewis (of the pink-whisker tradition) for temporary chairman.

Possibly the Cabinet at its meeting yester day did consider only the submarine issue The trouble is that at its next meeting it may have to consider the state of our first-line buttleships.

ctural, isn't it, that a book which attempts to prove by newspaper headlines that the United States has violated the spirit of neutrality should be published in the "People's Gas Building"?

If Carranza can persuade the President to withdraw the troops from Mexico before they catch Villa, the Republican National Committee ought to vote a generous sum to the do facto Executive's war chest.

The national suffrage advocates are preparing to march on the two conventions, or three, if the third one pans out. With a hot fight in Chicago and no fight at all in St. Louis, they ought to make some impression somewhere.

James H. Maurer denies that he said "To hell with the flag!" He only said that when "its waying annoys agents of capital, then it be comes a menace and is treated as such." At least, he thinks that is what he said, but he has not improved matters very much by his

Alfred Noyes, who is editing a volume of undergraduate Princeton verse, says that he finds the quality of poetry turned out under the shadow of the Cleveland Memorial Tower higher than that of the verse produced at Oxford, which reminds us that Mr. Noyes has been praised as a poet with a well-developed commercial instinct.

Hatistics coming out of Harrisburg show that out of every dollar paid for foodstuffs the farmer gets 45 cents. The rest goes to the men who handle it before it gets to the tables of the consumer. Until some one can devise a way to reduce this cost of distribution, we shall have to struggle along under the burden of the high cost of living.

It was only yesterday that the Germana gained a foothold on Le Mort Homme, the Dead Man's Hill, so tragically appropriate in name to the struggle now going on there. If the French were severely beaten there, a condition not yet proved, their sympathizers on this side had an amount of consolation. It is more than three weeks since the Germans claimed full possession of that place, and the fact that they are now only at the base of the hill is positively reassuring to the Allies. The rate of progress made by the Germans since the first four of the last fifty-two days is appallingly low. At the present rate, averaging the day's gains since the initial push, another month of terrible slaughter must stapse before the Germans can make their way up to the permanent fortifications on the west of Verdun, and there resistance on the fiercult terms will only begin again. It is not a prospect one can gaze at long with equanimity. The alternative, a decisive check; might be in all truth the beginning of the end.

Does graduation from the University of Pennsylvania carry with it the right to participate in its management? The advocates of alumni representation on the Board of Trustees assume that graduation ought to qualify the alumni to decide who shall and who shall not control the destinies of the institution. The trustees have conceded so much of the contention of the alumni as is involved in permitting them to nominate six militates for every vacancy, of which the trustees will select three, whose names shall be automitted to the suffrages of the gradriles. The one receiving the highest vote. pytical it is at least 4000, is to be elected a tree board by the trustees thomselves. It relivation. Whether it is admitted or not | not because of his ancestry,

that they should have by right the power to control the affairs of the University, it cannot be denied that there is no body of citizens more interested in the progress and development of the University than the men who have been instructed there. If the University Is to grow and prosper, it must be because those who have received its training believe in it and are loyal to it. The admission of the alumni, therefore, to greater representation on the Board of Trustees is expedient, and, being expedient, is wise.

#### AT LAST

At last the people have the whole com-prehensive Taylor rapid transit plan be-fore them. No power can now deprive them of this great facility. They have simply to register their approval of it and it will be theirs. It is a great victory for the people and they must be on their guard to clinch it absolutely.

COUNCILS yesterday, without division, re-O ferred the whole question of rapid transit to the people of Philadelphia. They have been waiting with considerable patience to stamp it for the second time with their emphatic approval. When the vote has been counted there will be none to doubt what the people want or to question their indorsement of the whole comprehensive plan as outlined and suggested by former Director Taylor.

There is no longer any agitation in favor of "bobtail" lines. A more or less sporadic effort has been made, however, to spread the impression that City Half is in danger of toppling over. There may be a few timid pedestrians who will walk on the other side of the street, for gullibility is a national characteristic, but we imagine there will continue to be plenty of office-seekers willing to risk their lives in the service of the city, by having their offices in the structure, upon assurance that the ghost will walk on pay

The truth is that construction work has revealed negligence on the part of the men who built the foundations for City Hall. The foundations are not on a par with those provided by modern engineers. It is a wise procedure, therefore, to strengthen these foundations and it can be done economically in connection with subway construction. The task is not one to tax the capacity of engineers. They can do the work expeditiously and without endangering City Hall in any respect whatever. The science that can tunnel under the Hudson River is not likely to be stumped by underpinning a building, nor has any engineer been found who would expose his incompetency by venturing the opinion that the work is not feasible.

No experts have stated what approximately will be the cost of protecting City Hall by strengthening its foundations. It is known, however, that the contract for the subway work was let at a figure far below what the Department of City Transit expected to expend. A million dollars, we venture to suggest, will more than pay for the extra work and leave a nice profit for the contractor besides. It may be that half a million will be

We take it that, however often City Hall may have prevented progress in Philadelphia heretofore, it is not going to prevent progress in Philadelphia now.

That some opposition to popular authorization of the loan may develop is not improbable. But it is not likely that any great number of people will be fooled by the obstructionists. The Mayor is now dedicated to the Taylor plan in full. So are both of the great political factions. There is no organized body, therefore, that will appear in open opposition. The vision of a greater, better city has been caught by tens of thousands of citizens and they are going to translate it into a reality.

A great victory for the people has been won in that the final decision has been referred to them. They become judge and jury. They can have real rapid transit if they want it. We look for a majority in favor enterprise quite as decisive as that given last year when the first loan of \$6,000,000 was recorded. It means a greater, better, finer Philadelphia and the beginning of an era of growth and expansion such as the city has never before known.

## PLAY'S THE THING; PLAY BALL!

MITIZENS who have been losing sleep of U late worrying about the day and hour Villa is to be caught, or the nation's choice for President, or the fate of Verdun, will find a solution for all these grave questions in a simple formula tonight. The answer will consist of two figures, the larger of which should represent the score of the Phillies and the smaller that of the New York Giants, And the doings of Messrs. Villa, Wilson, Roosevelt, Joffre and other worthles will be come matters of suddenly diminishing pressure upon human intelligence.

There has been a record-breaking sale of tickets for the first game of the season at the Phillies' grounds today, it is announced. That is no more than natural; everything about baseball is always breaking records. Every screaming drive that hits the wall is the longest, lowest, bardest drive in years, Every running catch opens a new era in fielding. If it don't break records it's not baseball. Baseball breaks up the dull routine of "the wheel of things"-it even makes us break the rules of grammar and say "if it don't."

## JUST DOGS

PEOPLE who love a dog because he is a dog and not because he has a pedigree are likely to fill Horticultural Hall on May 13, when the second annual "Just Plain Dog" Show will be held.

The thoroughbred dog is always raised for points. He must have either straight or crooked legs. He must have a screw tail or it must curl up in the arc of a circle of specified dimensions. His ears must be cocked or droop, and his nose must be pointed or blunt, according to the breed. He is judged according to his external physical perfections. His mental and spiritual qualities are ignored.

Whereas the common dog is loved by his owner primarily because of his temperament. He is a friend of the family. He welcomes the master home at night. He can hardly contain himself with delight when some one proposes to take a walk with him. He guards the baby and takes care of the house. He lies under the table half asleep, and when his master or mistress enters the room his friendly tail thumps a greeting on the floor. He pokes his nose under your arm as you sit by the fireplace and coaxes you to pet him. He does not know that his name is not written in the books of a kennel club, and he does not care. And you who own him do not care, either. You would not exchange him for the bluest-blooded cur in Christendom. So the dog show next month is in possible without an Amendment to the for you and such as you who are true dem-

# Tom Daly's Column

HEY! you guys on the corner! Better chuck them coffin-nails and listen here: The devil planted a dirty weed, Which developed into a fifthy weed; It came from the regions of unknown hell, Which gives to it the smoky smell.

If you're going to smoke, do all while here, For "eaven contains no smokers there, It gives a bad breath and runs many clothes And also makes a smokestack of your bose.

The friend of rum is this awful curse, And empties men of his well-liked purse; It spoils the atmosphere wherever you go And makes it unpleasant to ladies, you know!

You will benefit if you never do start. The curse of humanity, which highls many hearts; You will gain in wealth. And, the best of all, it will bring good health. W. H. Eppehimer.

#### Panhandlers' Patter

(Being novel songs and dances designed to raise a nickel.)

SAY, boss, could yer lemme have a nickel? Wait a minute, now, till I tell yer how it is: I ain't no drunkard, no; but I useter be-yeh; that's the trouble. Now, what I want the nickel fur-yer see, I want ter tellerphone ter my folks an' ask if they'll let me come back home. Honest!

\*Reported by A. B. Lavey. O TEMPORA! O MORES! I think that it's a crying shame; O gentle render, who's to blame?

I think myself an honest judge

Of various kinds and grades of fudge.

And this thought fairly drives me tipsy: The best fudge comes from old Poughkeepsle

This makes me weep and weep for pity That no such honor's in your city.

And so again I ask may, shout ith

I think that it's a crying shame; O gentle reader, who's to blame? P. Villain.

THE gentleman who sends us this press Lagent stuff about himself asked us to "cut as little as possible," and since the biggest and "most unkindest" cut would probably result from our leaving his name in, we are simply taking that out. He says about himself:

aking that out. He says about himself:

Mr.—R—— was born on Friday, November 28, 1862, in ——, Ohio, On his mother's side he is a descendant of John Adams and John Quincy Adams, the famous Presidents of the Republic in its trying young days. Mr.—— writes because he has something to say, and he talks as he writes. He is fortunate in having a charming personality, so that he always makes and keeps friends. He is Republican in national politics and Christian in church membership. He is well known to many public men and women, and prizes autograph letters received from Presidents Hayes. enthusiastic man. He has talent without con-cit, aggressiveness without checkiness, per-sistent but never presuming, jovial but always gentlemanly. Like all men of action, Mr.—has not always found life a perpetual picnic, and he has seen his share of fickle for-time, but he never lost his grip and has the faculty of making a success of anything when he becomes interested. He is good looking, of medium height, sturdily built, deep, keen gray eyes, dark brown hair and a set of remark-ably fine teeth. His name has been much in public print, and now it will be seen there even public print, and now it will be seen there ever

#### Musical Triolets

(Most of them knock-turns.) XVI.

These musical knock-turns All give me a pain. They're most, of them stock-turns, These musical knock-turns, As a stein of old Bock turns Stale, tasteless and vain,

These musical necturnes All give me a pain.

Gus.

OH, VERY WELL suppose we can 'em. Personally we much prefer the domvariety ourself. Something like this, say:

HERSELF ON THE JOB. He walked right in And kissed the cook! This man of sin, He walked right in Nor cared a pin How it might look. He walked right in And kissed the cook,

He turned the knob And walked right in. Home from his job, He turned the knob She said: "Now, Bob, Don't you begin!" He turned the knob And walked right in.

He kissed the cook, And had a right. Not as a crook He kissed. The cook They hired forsock Their house last night. He kissed the cook And had a right.

Or, for a change, let's have Domestic Distichs I can not make that wife of mine Believe "A stitch in time saves 9."

The Anagram Contest

WE BEG your pardon—humbly! Just before going to press yesterday we discovered that D. P. F.'s anagram (O) I am secure and the fittest-the United States of America) was imperfect, but we let it go through for the sake of the verse and because there was no time to substitute other matter. These are warranted absolutely sound:

O. I'LL WITHDRAW, AM FAT. X. Y. Z. For poems you've flouted

All malice I drop And hope at this fingle A HELMET MAY STOP. Jay Desee. BUT WHY THE DISCARDED CLOSET? WHY KEEP THOSE SUITS, trousers and shoes in the closet you have discarded? —Chastifed Ad.

The Ogontz Optimist

Says: Every once in a while you see a pair shoes now'days which makes you suspect that there's a lady in or over 'em; but not often.

Then they play the Athletics-What?

SPEAKING THE

Views of Readers on the Work of the Boy Scouts, the Follies of the Moving Picture Censorship and Other Matters

PUBLIC MIND

To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir—In various letters published by the EVENING LEDGER the Boy Scouts have been characterized as "nonsense" or "worthless to the country," etc. I have been a member of this organization for over four years, and I would like to take this means to correct the mistaken idea which the public in general scenns to have against us. That is, the Boy Scouts are not a military organization. The main purpose is to teach our boys to be self-reliant, helpful, patriotic and all that goes to make a good

What better pledge could a boy take than the following Scout eath?

On my honor I will do my best; I. To do my duty to God and my country, 2. To obey the Scout laws and belp other

people at all times.

3. To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight. The ranks are filled by boys both rien and poor, for every scout is a friend to all and a brother to every other scout. There are many boys who would be spending much of their time (seeping the police busy were it not that they have learned to spend this time in the woods

and country surrounding our city studying the birds, flowers and crees, learning to cook simple meals over the campfire and growing healthier in God's out of doors. Though I have just said the Boy Scouts are not a military organization, still they are learning some fine lessons in preparation for a military training when they grow older. A few of these are camp craft, rudimentary drill, signal-

ing, first aid and mapmaking.

The Scout motto, "Be Prepared," means that a scout should always be prepared to save life. aid the injured or meet any emergency which may arise. Among other things, it is a scout's duty and pride to do at least one good turn a

The fact that so many of our most noted citi-zens are taking an active part in scout work goes to show it must be an organization worth

For further information regarding this organization, see the Boy Scout handbook, or phone Philadelphia headquarters, B. S. of A. 5th and S. MAYER FELDENHEIMER,

Troop 1. Philadelphia P. S. of A. Philadelphia, April 8.

FLOWER SHOW TEA CARDEN

To the Editor of Evening L. Mer:
Sir—In behalf of the Cea Garden Committee of the National Flow & Show, I wish to express our appreciation L. your courtesy in writing of the Tea Go en and we feel that what you said in ever, way helped in the success of our undertaking for the benefit of the Children's Country Week and the School of Horticulture ELIZABETH P. MARTIN Philadelphia, April 5.

## CONCERNING CENSORSHIP

To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir-Your article on "Censorial Cowardice seems to have aroused those of the bewhiskered paalm singers who have time and postage to spare. The two letters in today's EVENING LEDGER are still fluttering about my goat pen. the intense annoyance of Mr. and Mrs. Angora. 'Draco" writes a lot, but one of the high

lights is his statement that "boys and girle who frequent the movies are bound to get ideas which will soon make a lot of new jobs for which will soon make a lot of new jobs for court attendants, police matrons," etc., etc. It is the "soon" that makes "Draco" funny. Considering the fact that the movies have been competitors of the saloons for something like 20 years now and are admittedly being improved in moral tone each day, how soon can "Draco" promise us this increase in juvenile crime? If it takes 20 years more for the desired effect to be produced, "Draco's" plea is somewhat weak, for then the children of today will be old enough to write to the newspapers themselves, and so beyond danger from the movie "bad man," who ond danger from the movie "bad man," who

is so feared by M. Draco.

However, the Draconian line of argument is too obviously shallow for one to wear out good typewriter ribbon in refuting. He may now

typewriter ribbon in resuting. He may now leave the room.

The basic fault with censorship—of movies or newspapers or anything—is evident to any broad-minded human with any intelligence.

Lissun: Does any one (even the Draconian) really believe that there is any one man, or any half-dozen men, who are capable of judging and deciding what is, proper and what is improper for the 100,000,000 inhabitants of these United States to view?

\* NONANONYMOUS. NONANONYMOUS.

Philadelphia, April 5.

## MOVIES AND THE CENSORSHIP

To the Editor of Evening Ledger:

Sir—si was surprised at the views of the communication published today, and wish to reply to the correspondent, who may perhaps be one of our censors fighting for his berth. In the first place, he spouts the fast that all pictures must contain crime. Let him name the stage plays that do not. Secondly: Motion pictures produce criminals. The reply takes the form of a question. Suppose this defender of the censors saw a man jump from a cliff. Would be go and do likewise? Now Jersey, by the morey of Providence, has no censors. Are all the theatre goers in jall for crime? Thirdly: He dodges the very essence of your editorial—the fact that the eliminated subtific was an attack on censorship. It was not immoral or obscens, though perhaps sacrilegious, exposing as it did Breitinger and his missits.

Here are the reforms needed in censorship:

(1) No clergyman because of his prejudice should be a censor. (1) Since it is the film To the Editor of Evening Ledger:

No clergyman because of his projudice said he a censor. (2) Since it is the film spanies property that is destroyed they should at least have a mourner present to see that the deceased died fairly. Till then the producer is obliged to waste money on the courts who have reversed all decrees of the board when-ever an appeal has been taken, thus showing that the present incumbents are hopelessly incompetent to judge what is fit for Pennsylvania By what miracle is Breitinger wher than any one clse? The true reason that so many pictures are destroyed is that if the censors are to continue to draw their ill-earned wages (paid by the picture men) they must trick the public into believing that they are indispensable and that when they are off their throne in the not far distant future we will be as depraved as poor New Jerney, which manages to struggle along without a Breitinger. H. G. NOLAN, Philadelphia, April 5.

"HE'S BUSY TODAY. DO YOU GET ME? BUSY!"

#### THE LOAN BILL DEFENDED

To the Editor of Evening Ledger:
Sir—Of all the arguments over the loan bill there is not one that can logically or justly be against it. The amount is not too large for be against it. The amount is not too large for the needs, and, in fact, millions more could be spent and not one cent of the money go to any-thing but necessities in a city of this size and standing. The only question that can be justly raised is that the city get full returns for its expenditure and that projects of some import be given special attention.

The fact that certain sections of the city hold the "dog-in-the-manger" attitude to the extent of threatening to defeat the bill unless they are considered hardly seems credible to good sense or judgment, as can be readily seen from the present financial condition of the city, that nothing can be expected for any section

Now, it must also be allowed that so long as big improvements are being contemplated suggestions as to what would do the most good in different localities should be looked into and the best ones chosen. West Philadelphia has asked for several; but far from being enough, they are too small to be seriously see enough, they are too small to be seriously con-sidered as sectional improvements. Cobb's Creek Park has been started, and could no more be abandoned than the Parkway. It is now merely a question of time, and the acquisition of ground in Delaware County can come at some future time and not retard the unlimited amount of work to be done on the Philadelphia side of the creek for some time to come. As to paving and sewers, it is time enough to fight that out when the loans have been passed. There are, however, two most important projects that seem however, two most important projects that seen at this time to overshadow all the others and which have not even been mentioned at this most opportung time. One could be read into the transit item and not cost the city one cent, for it is only a question of how long the transit company can put off laying a crosstown line on 56th street and by making it a part of the transit agreement with them would at least definitely decide it. The other matter could be considered in the second loan bill, and it is for taking Kirkbride's for a public park and making there an initial start which would assure this lovely strip of natural park to our city at there an initial start will be an initial start will be a considered by the construction of the constructi Philadelphia, April 12.

## SWATTING HENRY

To the Editor of Evening Ledger:
Sir—I think that the high cost of gasoline is the trust's idea to put Mr. Henry Ford "out business." TONY BONATELLI. Philadelphia, April 11.

A NOVEL INDUSTRY

Utilization of trees which have been washed loose along the river bottoms has developed into a reminerative industry in Nebrasica, on the Missouri River. The floating logs are made into rafts and floated to the town of Decatur, where a rarts and hoated to the town of Decatur, where a sawmill has been erected solely for the utilization of this salvage timber. More than 20,000 feet of good lumber was made last year from these derelicts. The industry is under the control of one man. He frequently digs out logs which have been submerged for years. He asserts that if a log is fully submerged, so that no air reaches it is designed. air reaches it, no deterioration comes from its being under water, while half-submerged logs begin to rot in a few months—Chicago Daily

# NATIONAL POINT OF VIEW

A California woman wants a divorce because er husband tried to give her away. All women are not so accommodating.-St. Paul Pioneer Press.

One of the surprising features of naval discussions is the number of different views it is possible to get on the relative standing of the United States and other Powers.—Sacramento Union.

Sometimes the plan for a drastic censorship of the movies seems to have its merits. The Chicago doctor of Bollinger baby case notoriety is going to be a film star.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

"Conduct unbecoming a member of the Legis-lature" is given as the ground for expelling a Massachusetts solon. If they enforced that rule generally, what would they do for a quorum?— Manchester (N. H.) Union. At the outbreak of the war, the German Chan-

cellor admitted that Germany was doing wrong by "hacking a way" through Belgium, but said, "We will repair the wrong we are doing." The German idea of repair is to steal Antwerp and rob Belgium of the Congo.—Montreal (Can.)

The German Chancellor certainly attempted to spread himself very wide in his recent address to the Reichstag. Only a wide spread could cover his insistence that Germany has plenty to cat in her own resources and his insistence that Germany is justified in using any sort of weapons to prevent the Allies from starving her.—Louis-ville Courier-Journal. ville Courier-Journal.

## REMEMBRANCE

It seems to me that very long ago,
Across a shining and dividing sea,
I dreamed of love, and the eternal woe, And that desire which is eternity

I did but dream that I have made you weep; I never loved, and you have never weet; The shining and dividing sea is deep, And I am very tired of having slept.

Yet, in some hours of these oblivious days, Suddanly, like a heart throb. I recall The paradorate column of your face, I take your hand, and I remember all. —Arthur Symans.

# What Do You Know?

Queries of general interest will be answered in this column. Ten questions, the answers to which every well-informed person should know, are asked daily.

What does the phrase "a dark horse" signify? Name one person who was considered "a dark horse."
 What is "anthrax"?
 Of what nation in Europe were the men who

first fired a salute to the American flag and in what year was this done?
4. What are "peons" and what is "peonage"?
5. About how long before the great war began

in Europe was the Archduke Francis Ferdinand assassinated?

6. Which side was victorious in the Turkish-Italian war of 1911-12?

Has the average length of life increased or decreased in the last 100 years?
 What is "a split infinitive"?

9. After what event is the "Marathon race"

named? 10. Where is Corfu?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz 1. United States Senator from Ohio, and recently chosen for the temporary chairmanship of the Republican National Con-

cention. East.
 Germany, Austria and Russin divided the territory of the Kingdom of Poland.
 America has no "official" national flower. The American Horticultural Society has

The American Rorticultural Society has suggested the goldenrod.

5. Napoleon had one child by his second wife, the Empress Marie Louise; none by his first wife, the Empress Josephine.

6. The census of 1910 gives the negro population as 9,828,394, and the negro population of the South as 8,749,390.

7. "Mugwumps" are men who leave the political nerve with with the control of the south as 1,749,390. cal party with which they have been affil-iated. The term is derived from the In-dian word "Mukquomp," meaning "chief" or "lord"-and from that came to imply

the feeling of superiority to others, a characteristic which party "bolters" are often accused of baying to excess. 8. The storming of the Bastille, which was used as a prison for men accused of offenses against the state. The fall of the Bastille occurred July 14, 1789, and July 14 is the French "Fourth of July."

9. Sound travels at the rate of about one mile in five seconds. 10. The Island of Guam was ceded by Spain to

the United States in the treaty of peace

Perhaps some reader can explain where the fallacy lies in this ridiculous showing.

Library Rank of the States

Editor of "What Do You Know"—Can you tell me how Pennsylvania ranks among the States with respect to the number of libraries and the number of volumes in the libraries? ALDUS Pennsylvania ranks third among the States in

Pennsylvania ranks third among the States in the number of volumes in public, society and school libraries of 1000 volumes or more. New York is first with 13,200,000 volumes; Massachu-setts is second with 10,500,000 volumes; Penn-sylvania third with 6,100,000; Illinois fourth with 5,600,000, and Ohio fifth with 4,400,000. New York in first in the number of libraries, with 1037; Massachusetts second. \$26; California third, 535; Illinois fourth, 474, and Pennsylvania fifth, 446.

Franklin's Own Epitaph Editor of "What Do You Know"—Will you please tell me if Benjamin Franklin wrote an epitaph for his own grave, and if so will you kindly print it?

J. K. ROHRER.

Franklin wrote such an splitaph and may have intended it for use on his own tombstone. It is as follows: "The Body of Benjamin Franklin, Printer dike the cover of an old hook, its contents torn out and stript of its intering and gliding) lies here, food for worms. Yet the work itself shall not be less. For it will tas he believed, appear once more in a new and more beautiful edition, corrected and amended by the Author."

Garfield On Lincoln

the Author.'

Garfield On Lincoln

Editor of "What the You Know"—On what occasion did Garfield say in a speech about blacoln, "Clouds and darkness are about him"? County ou give me the rest of that part of the special G. G. L.

It was in an address made in April, 1865, from It was in an address made in April, 1865, from the balcony of the New York Custom House to a crowd which was excited by the news of Lincoln's assantination. Garfield raid: 'Veilow citizens—Clouds and darkness are around Hin: His pavilion is dark waters and thick clouds, justice and judgment are the establishment of His throns; mercy and truth shall an before His tace! Fellow divisors! God reigns and the dovernment at Washington lives.