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Great is truth and it prevails.—Esdrae.

They may do it, but it looks as if they were going to take more than half creation to beat the Germans.

The eight-hour day must be a good thing. How about a law compelling officeholders to work that long?

Citizens of Philadelphia pay a 25 per cent tax for the privilege of using gas. They do not have to pay it if they do not want to.

The Boston and Maine Railroad need not get puffed up because it is placed in the hands of a receiver.

The star gazers gathered at the Sprout observatory at Swarthmore this week have very different tastes from those who will soon gather in the theaters.

There seem to be ordinances enough to compel the street cleaners to lay the dust before they sweep up the refuse.

As a relative of the Kaiser the Greek King need not push the relationship so far as to share in the general debacle.

Old King Cold is the best doctor for infantile paralysis yet discovered.

The Mayor announced before his election that he was going to have a business administration.

Dictatorial authority for the President is the heart of the preventive legislation proposed.

Descendants of the Chinese who invented gunpowder are now working in French munition factories.

"All girls are wards of my court," announces Judge MacNell.

The Fairmount Park tragedy makes it imperative that something be done to break up the gangs that prey upon visitors.

The curtain has just rung up on another act of the farce entitled "Taking the Police Out of Politics."

The abandonment of steam as a motive power is nearer than some persons imagine.

The program of legislation that the President proposed to Congress yesterday afternoon might aver the strike, and it might not.

Tom Daly's Column. LINES HASTILY ASSEMBLED AND JOTTED UPON THE MARGIN OF THE MORNING PAPER WHILE THE 7:04 TRAIN WHISKS ONE TO WORK UPON A COOL AND GLO-RIOUS MORNING!



THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Sir Roger Casement's Sister Denounces England for "Barbarous" Treatment of Her Brother—Germany's System of Preventing the Spread of Disease Germs

This department is free to all readers who wish to express their opinions on subjects of current interest. It is an open forum, and the Evening Ledger assumes no responsibility for the views of its correspondents.

IN DEFENSE OF CASEMENT To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir—In an article written on the "Burial of Emmet" by John E. Watkins, he remarks: "The death penalty suffered by Emmet was more cruel than that suffered by Casement."

GERMANY DOES THESE THINGS BETTER To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—I noted with interest the illustrations on the back page of the EVENING LEDGER showing the sanitary squad destroying the piggeries in Port Richmond.

CHAMP CLARK ON THE STUMP To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—The Honorable Champ Clark refers to Mr. Hughes' speeches as "querulous harlequinades."

Statistics of the Port A READER—For reply to your question, "What is the tonnage and ranking of Philadelphia?" we are indebted to Mr. George P. Spradley, secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Navigation.

SOULS My Soul goes clad in gorgeous things, Scarlet and gold and blue; And at her shoulder sudden wings Like long flames flicker through.

THE WORD PHOTOPLAY A PAN—The word "photoplay" cannot be registered in the Patent Office, as it is a word of general description.

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TWO IMMEDIATE REMEDIAL MEASURES

A MOVEMENT is on foot to introduce at the next meeting of Councils an ordinance to provide for the compulsory installation of water meters to prevent waste.

YESTERDAY, you will remember, C. C. S. was speaking of the wheezes from "the Country Correspondent" that never get into print. To resume:

Now and then the local clergyman comes in for some beautiful compliments, well intended but hopeless even for the country editor. Here is one:

"Our Country Correspondent" becomes excited over some burning local issue, writes an editorial, and the result is an advertisement in the form of a letter to the editor.

At the meter rates proposed by the bureau it is a fact that most residences, and practically all small residences, would get water actually at a lower cost than at present.

Under the proposed rates there would be an increase of revenue and a saving of water. Thus two birds would be killed with one stone.

There are, therefore, two things which should be attended to promptly by Councils: 1. Compulsory change to meters for those properties which do not fully pay under the schedule rating for the water they use or waste.

THE President is making an earnest and conscientious attempt to prevent a great industrial disaster. The EVENING LEDGER hopes that he will succeed.

OVER the telephone yesterday we chatted for a moment with Dr. James C. Monaghan, Consul at Kingston, Jamaica, who is here on vacation.

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SAM HOUSTON'S INDIAN LIFE

Texas's Famous Leader Never Explained Why He Abandoned His Wife and Lived With the Cherokees

By JOHN ELFRETH WATKINS ONE of the most picturesque characters of our history was Sam Houston.

He was born on a Virginia farm in 1793 of Scotch-Irish parents. When he was a small lad his father died and his mother removed the little family to Tennessee.

He later studied law at Nashville and was admitted to the bar. The strange conduct which made him one of the enigmas of our history occurred when he was 35 years old.

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