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So much is a man worth as he esteems himself.—Rabelais.

Luther Burbank, who is proud of his thornless cactus, has just said that our "spineless" President is "the greatest statesman we have ever had."

Fashion decrees that women's skirts are to be narrower and longer. It will be easy to execute one-half of the new order, but we do not see how the ladies can walk if the other half is enforced.

We were to have the police "taken out of politics," and now we are told that all "phantom voters" must be removed from the voting lists.

Whether it was well managed or not, the cruise of the naval "rookies" was a commendable advance toward obtaining a well-organized naval reserve; but its importance does not stop there.

Unless the Upper Darby Commissioners obey the order of Doctor Dixon, State Commissioner of Health, to stop emptying untreated sewage into Cobb's Creek, the Commissioner will be justified in using all his powers to compel obedience.

A bright page in the war's history of personal heroism tells of the restoration of Colonel Elkington to his rank by King George. The Colonel had been disgraced and cashiered, but as a private among those adventurers and outcasts in the French Foreign Legion he faced a withering machine gun fire and helped capture a German second-line trench, getting a bullet in the knee.

It is a cause for natural indignation to Dr. Howard S. Anders, as well as to other citizens, that, though this authority on the transmission of illness through germs more than two months ago and before infantile paralysis appeared here pleaded for the prompt and thorough flushing of the streets to avoid the dust peril, which he and other authorities are convinced is productive of this disease, his advice was not followed.

Three Presidents deemed Mr. Knox worthy of important portfolios in their Cabinets. He was Attorney General of the United States before Mr. Wilson had emerged from the Princeton faculty. He stands in the first rank of the legal profession in this country.

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the constitutional amendment to committee, where it has been reported ever since. Yet Mr. Wilson began his speech of acceptance of a second nomination by declaring that his party has "fulfilled its explicit promise," and after reviewing its achievements said that "the people of the United States do not need to be assured now that the platform is a definite pledge, a practical program," and that "we have proved to them that our promises are made to be kept."

COMPETITION TO HELP FOREIGNERS

IF ANYTHING has been proved by this I war it is that a great nation cannot afford to be dependent on foreign ports for carrying its ocean trade.

The Democracy is boasting that it has passed a shipping bill that will restore the merchant marine. There is no disposition to condemn it for its creation of a shipping board. That body may be able to discover what is best to be done in the future.

In its essentials it is an assault upon the principle of protection for American industry. Mr. Hughes made this plain in his admirable speech at Bath, Me., on Saturday.

The bulk of our foreign commerce is carried on through foreign shipowners, who use foreign-built ships. The undoubted purpose of the law is to admit to our domestic coastwise trade foreign-built ships on the same terms as ships built by American workmen.

The war has given to our shipbuilders the same kind of protection that other manufacturers have enjoyed, and their yards are swamped with orders. We are building merchant ships for Europe because the European yards are rushed with naval orders.

Mr. Hughes further pointed out that the law has not even the merit of meeting a temporary emergency, for it provides no way for relieving the existing shortage of ships, although its friends have defended it as the one way to free American shippers from their present dependence on foreign shipowners.

COST OF WATCHFUL WAITING

IT IS estimated that the military expenses of the President's Mexican policy have already exceeded \$100,000,000, and word now comes from New London that the Mexican commissioners are preparing to ask for the payment of an indemnity of not less than \$100,000,000 more than \$200,000,000 because of the humiliation of the Mexican nation.

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Tom Daly's Column

FOR YESTERDAY
Oh, let us give thanks to the Lord,
Whose bountiful mercies afford
Days as blue and so golden,
And nights that are full of rare peace
And sleep and our sorrow's success
In His bosom enfolded.

TOMORROW the chairman of the Republican National Committee will say:
The result in Maine yesterday spells a landslide for Hughes in November.

WHAT HAPPENED SATURDAY
How can we bear it?
Oh you to dare it,
And you Perritt! Perritt!

WHEN it was a new lyric set from the brain of Edmund Waller and he read it for the first time to Sir J. Suckling, Richard Lovelace and other worthies at the Mermaid Tavern, it began like this:

Go, lovely rose—
Tell her that wastes her time and me,
When you shall next to her be shown,
Sweet and soft and fair, she seems to be.

HUGH MERR, who has been trying to extract home comforts from several Maine hotels this summer, reports these:
Hotel proprietor (convulsed with mirth and wholly ignorant that his house is known among many of his patrons as "The Morgue")—"Say! You know what they call that hotel across the street, don't you?"

Self-controlled guest (innocently)—"No, what?"
H. P. (still convulsed)—"The Old Ladies' Home."

HURRAH, EVERYBODY!
When you see the lightning flashing
In the distance far away
You may not realize the smashing
It might do if it came your way.

TREMENDOUSLY URGENT
To the Editor of the Evening Ledger:
Sir—Any physician should be glad to write a word of commendation and encouragement concerning Doctor Wood's plea and your paper's splendid response in the consecutive daily articles exposing the extent, extremity, cupidity, disease, demoralization and pathetic distress connected with the addiction to narcotic drugs.

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PAYING THE PRICE
We are always paying the price for the things we lose or gain.
Out of this life of mingled gladness and of pain;
And whether we pay for pleasure or whether we pay for sin,
It is always paying the price for life, no matter where we begin.

Our Dog
I have a little dog that
I love him just as well,
For he is my dog and mine,
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THE FIRST DANCE ON THE PROGRAM



THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Dr. Howard S. Anders Comments the Evening's Ledger's Exposure of the Extent of the Drug Habit—Police Charged With Indifference—Noyes Defended

articles that I do not believe a word that you are printing in relation to drug addicts in Philadelphia.

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WATERWAYS MEN

PLAN COAST CANAL

Convention Will Open Here Tomorrow—To Consider Millitary Problems

The Atlantic Deepwater Waterways Association, which is advocating a continuous land-waterway through the New England States to the Florida Peninsula, will assemble in its ninth annual convention in the ballroom of the Bellevue-Stratford tomorrow morning.

The annual reports of President Moore and Wilfred H. Schoff, secretary and treasurer, appointments of committees to do the convention business and short addresses by the principal delegates will fill the time at the remaining morning hours.

Brigadier General William M. Black, chief of engineers of the United States Army, will be the principal speaker at the second session in the afternoon, at which Congressman C. Charles Littlejohn, of Maryland, will preside.

Congressman John H. Small, of North Carolina, member of the House of Representatives, will tell of the progress of the South Coast. An outline of the history of the association and its first efforts to foster and uphold the natural navigation routes down the eastern coast will be presented by Edward James Cattel, of Philadelphia.

There will be a discussion of the plans at the end of the afternoon session, in which Guy H. Ham, of Boston, and Guy H. Haden, of Georgia, president of the Atlantic Chamber of Commerce, will take principal parts.

The principal speakers at the meeting tomorrow night will be Major William H. Hise, United States Coast Artillery, ex-"Our Coast Defenses"; Colonel William W. Harris, of the corps of engineers, United States Army, on "Waterways in War"; and Wilfred H. Schoff, on "The Atlantic Coastal Project."

Following the succeeding days of the convention the delegates will take boat trips on the Delaware River to Camden, Trenton, Bordentown, Wilmington, Chester and a few other riverside cities and towns, and hold short sessions in each. One trip will be made to Delaware City, to inspect the opening of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal.

AWFUL!
It is an awful thing to write, but it may be that Edmund may come to run her mania to get into the night.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

AMUSEMENTS

FORREST

OPENING OF THE SEASON
Tonight at 8:15 Prompt
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FALL FESTIVAL!
SOME SHOW!

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THE TWO JANES

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Regent

VICTORIA

Stanley

Palace

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