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When I was at home I was in a better But travelers must be content. -Shakespeare.

The planting of tulip bulbs in the grounds of the White House by Mrs. Wilon for Mrs. Hughes looks as if "The flowers that bloom in the spring tra-la' have something to do with the case, after

Steel car plant wrecked by fire: 3000

We have seen more than three ousand steel workers idle when there hadn't been a fire in their plant for months, but there was a low tariff law.

If you want to know whether the abor vote can be swung from one party to another by labor leaders ask your Republican neighbor who is a member of labor union if he intends to vote for This form of argumentum ad minem is more convincing than any amount of mere campaign yawn.

Unless the railroads had expected to make some material concessions in mutation rates, they would not have attempted to settle the issue outside of The family ticket seems to be essential if the suburbs are to develop as they should. Some means for its res toration should be found. In any event, it will be greatly to the advantage of all concerned if the final settlement is by general consent.

Statistician Cattell will have to get new set of figures if he doesn't want etroit to get ahead of Philadelphia with record of a new building every fifty Of course, Mr. Cattell could complete that building in five minutes and weave lace curtains for it in sixtenths of a second, to say nothing of providing hosiery for its inmates in half of still a few laps ahead.

The Mayor's address at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon sounded very much like the sentiments he was ac- of most of our commerce. customed to express at this time a year paign. He promised then to have but a single object in view, namely, the progress and prosperity of Philadelphia. Yesterday he declared that "the welfare of Philadelphia, present and future, depends upon the ability of the municipal ministration to have and to hold the confidence of the people." That is to be wedded to the interests of the people. We agree with him, within limitations. The initiative and energy of individuals. engaged in other work than government, is the true measure of progress. But bad administration of the public interests can drive such enterprising citizens away, or discourage them in their pur suits, wherefore capable conduct of public affairs is essential to the kind of progress that is worth while. A progressive people will not, in fact, tolerate any other kind of administration.

No fitter place for a statue of Henry Melchoir Muhienberg could be found than the new Parkway, where it can be seen by the thousands who will use that splen did thoroughfare in the years to come This man, born in Germany, who migrated to America to look after the destitute Lutherans in Pennsylvania in the middie of the eighteenth century, became one of the most patriotic colonists when the break with Great Britain came. He was a fine type of the man who changed his allegiance from his native country to that of the country of his adoption. The qualities of mind and heart that ade him intensely American are manisted by hundreds of thousands of citimens of German descent who will vote for America and Americanism next week. He still loved Germany as the citizens of German stock now here love the home of buty to be loyal to his new country. There was no hyphen vote in his day because virtually all America was filled with a hyphenated citizency. The city author ties are expected to grant permission to erect the status of this great American so that it can be dedicated when the atherans complete the celebration of the air hundredth annivariate of the Proteint Reformation a year from today.

There is a general impression about

the Democratic landslide year, the odds were moderately on Cleveland, and widered in the closing week as signs of his coming victory increased. It is said that Bryan was for a short time the favorite in 1896, but after his New York speech of August 12 the odds turned against him three to one. In the elections since then the results were never in doubt. It is a popular error that the men who leave their money with the brokers to be placed fix the odds. The broker is responsible to his customer to pay bets, but if he thinks his customer's judgment is bad he can place the money on the other side, or at more advantageous odds. Consistent hedging reduces the odds equation to the ordinary affair of supply and demand.

#### THE SITUATION

THE world will not end late in the evening of November 7. The most important problems in half a century will face America on the morning of November 8, no matter who is elected. and will continue to face us for four years, and doubtless for forty years

We have been living for the five months of the campaign almost entirely on retrospect. Both parties have been looking backward, the Democrats to defend their record, the Republicans to attack it. Prophecies have been made by both sides, but they have been prophecies seen through the experiences of the past in the light of general facts, rather than prophecies based on the actual present in the light of the special facts that must guide the turn of affairs. Let us set out what the immediate future actually threatens:

First. A tightening of the strain upon the blockaded Central Empires, resulting in a sharpening of the struggle between the sinking-with-warning party and the sinking-without-warning party in Germany,

Second. The possibility of war with Germany if the sinking-without-warning party wins in the Reichstag and in gaining the Kaiser's ear and the ensuing necessity of conducting the first vital foreign war in our history since 1812.

Third. If we are not drawn into the war, the reorganization of our industry and trade to meet an unprecedented condition not only in the actively belligerent European countries, but in Japan, China, Canada, India, South America, Scandinavia, Holland and Spain.

How are the Democratic and Republican parties equipped to meet these Insues?

First. The Democratic majority is not taken seriously by the sinking-withoutwarning party in Germany. Von Tirpitz and his followers would like to crush "our Anglo-American enemies," as their leader expresses it. They believe that Mr. Bryan's assurances to Austria that our protests are not to be taken seriously express a peace-at-any-price spirit in this country. They believe America will fear the time. Cattell and Philadelphia are to resent a pitlless submarine campaign to starve England by putting 200 torpedoboats in the seas west of the British Isles, even though that fear deprive us

> the party of able Secretaries of State who make no statement that is not backed up by action. John Hay, Elihu Root and Philander C. Knox rank with the great American statesmen of the past. Such leaders in this party have condemned the foreign policy of the Democrats as shifty and dangerous. The only answer to them is, "What will you do in our place?" The obvious rejoinder is that they could have no say in the Government for four months and four days, during which time the situation will, perforce, change hourly, and that they can only vigorously urge the Administration to profit by their criticism to avoid further abdications of American rights.

Second. For the emergency of war the Democrats would offer to the country a President who told the country in December, 1914, that there was "no need to discuss" the national defense, assisted by Secretary Baker and Secretary

The Republicans would offer a fearless Executive, a Secretary of War on the plane of Goethals and a Secretary of the Navy on the plane of Admiral Fiske.

Third. For the industrial emergency the Democrats offer a Congress that would interpret the findings of the Tariff Board to suit the nonmanufacturing sections of the country.

The Republicans offer a Congress that would interpret the findings of the Tariff Board to suit both the nonmanufacturing eir ancestors, but he understood his and the manufacturing sections of the country.

## ELECT WALLING

THE first duty of Pennsylvania voters

apart from the presidential issue, is to assure the election of Justice Walling to the State Supreme Court. In nearly a score of years' service in the Common Pleas Courts his record was flawless, and his appointment to the highest court in the Commonwealth was a logical adthe Commonwealth was a logical advancement. His opponent, whose nomination must be considered as something of a fluke is without judicial experience such as even a city magistrate acquires. Mr. Palmer's large vote in the nonpartisan primary was associated with no whisper of criticism against Justice Walling. It is supposed by some to have been dust by followers of A Mitchell Palmer, under the impression that the ex-Congressman was the man named on the ballot. In any event, the State

# Tom Daly's Column

THE JOURNEY

You are so brave, so loyal and so true! You bring such sunshine to the last farewell

When some for duty calls me forth from

What fears consume your heart I can Not mine to know what prayers or tear

From your pent heart, when you have closed the door. But this I know: How long, how for I

roam, My honor and my babes are safe with

You are so brave, so true!

You are so brave, so loyal and so true, I should be worse than craven did I fail To make the last long kiss I had from you My knightly sword and shield and triple mail.

You cannot see, through leagues of space that part,

If passion or if peace be in my heart, But this believe: How long, how far I roam,

Whate'er my mind may plan or hands may do. scould be worthy to be scelcomed home By you, so brave, so true!

Our bankwet will be held positively on the evening of Wednesday, November 15, at a place yet to be determined upon and the cost will be \$1 per plate.

#### Precocious

ACCOMPANYING a new pupil to a room in an uptown school was this card addressed to the teacher: "Florence Quigley. Try out in 5B. Finished fifth grade at Nativity." F. K.

Bowling along Jefferson avenue, St. Louis, in a luxurious taxi, we took a horrifled eye off the mounting register long enough to lamp this sign over a shop: 'Mrs. L. Hatmaker, milliner."

THE EVE OF ALL BAINTS 'Tis hard for moderns to believe That this was once All-Hallows' Eve. To those who riot at your door It's "Holler-e'en" and nothing more.

Dear Tom-Praise is due the considerate druggist on East Girard avenue for a serv-ice to the suffering public. Observing that the telephone operator was cross at the world, he warned the patrons:

OPERATOR OUT OF ORDER USE OTHER BOOTH.

There is one savings bank in Philadel-phia for every family in the city and 50,000 more to boot.—Girard in P. L.

Dear T. D .- I note that you sometimes guess riddles. What does Girard mean by the above? I would like to find my bank-and not worry about the odd ones

It would seem, says L. Y. P., that bombs, like poets, are not merely made. This, head and all, appeared in the Lynn (Mass.) Item.

#### BIRTHS

LONDON. Oct. 23, 1916 (10:55 P. M.)—A hos-tile aeropiane appeared today over Margane, on the southeastern coast of England, and dropped three bombs. Two persons were injured.

YOUNG MEN We have several positions for ambitious and enterprising young men and boys over 18 yards, spiendid opportunity to learn stock salesanable of variety of goods in manufacturing and wholesale lines.

—P. L. classified ad. Good height for a stockroom boy, eh?

H. A. L.

## Bachelor Bereavement

I love a girl named Isabel.
I love her and I love her well;
And to the world, this truth I tell.
THERE is a girl who Isabel.
COLONIAL GENT.

Art Note W. C. S. reports this sign before so

crude canvases displayed in a window at Fifty-third and Lansdowne avenue: For Sale these Pictures is Painted all by Hand in fine oil Collers.

Can This Be True "ONLY," I see, means "this and no

It is a word I have turned down before It, as a word, is unique and is lonely. No other word in the world rhymes with

SIMPLE SIMON.

BEWARE THE BUNKHOUND!

Serving the City Beautiful He Bites All Unlovely Things

The Bunkhound fairly leaped upon us when we walked into our sanctum the other day after our long absence. At first we were



guite touched by his show of affection. but very shortly we found that wasn't what ailed him at all. He was after something in our pockets and he near

ly tore our clothes off to get it. It was a begging letter from the campaign committee of one of the great parties. When he had had his will with it this was the only legible shred of it:

therefore, since our party alone is com-petent to solve the great questions sure to follow the war

#### Censoring the Movies A Paramount Picture states: "Grand

mother used to spin wool on a spinnet." Very likely she also was in the habit of making music on her wheel.

There has been introduced into the school curriculum recently a course in civica. One teacher asked her class the meaning of the letters "D. P. W." that graced the contractor's garbage wagons. A painful silence ensued; then one youngster rose and announced. "Damn Poor Wages."

E. A. M.

Dry Goods & Notions.

And G. A. J. picked up in a Lewistown (Po.) hotel this business card:

HEV W. H. HPKARS
at the Barnat A. M. R. PARSONAGE

LEGISLANIO AND TREASURE OF THE STATE OF



## ANDREE'S FATAL GAS BAG

f the Swedish Scientist Had Started to Fly Over the North Pole in a Dirigible Balloon He Might Have Succeeded-Stories of His Wreck in Upper Canada

By JOHN ELFRETH WATKINS

THE most daring aeronautical scheme, p. m., when traveling about a half mile Lever conceived by man was that of the eminent Swedish savant, Solomon Andree, He planned to travel in a bal loon to the North Pole itself, then undis-

Oscar II, King of the Swedes, was his patron in the venture, and his fatherland's academy of science indorsed the scheme. Nobel, donor of prizes, started the subscription list with a gift of \$17,500, and men of note raised the purse to a snug fortune of \$35,000. Small wonder, then, that all Sweden was imbued with hope that this son of their soil might nail their national banner to the tip-top

Andree was chief examiner of the Swedish Patent Office and was in his early forties when he supervised the completion of the Eagle, a balloon that towered 100 its bulging envelope. In the summer of 1897 he had it pumped full of gas upon the shore of Dane Island, Spitzbergen, where a group of scientists gathered round to admire the ingenious equipment. The dirigible balloon had not then been perfected.

There was a closed canvas car, with windows, through which Andree and his two companions were to peer out over the polar landscape. Everything inside was anug, even to a sleeping compartment with warm night-bags of reindeer skin, and in cleverly provided places were textbooks, charts, ammunition, guns, sextants, thermometers, cameras and surveying instruments.

In canvas sacks were stored all sorts of preserved food-chocolate, compressed bread, concentrated milk, even the best Bordeaux wines and champagne. There were also anchors, buoys and carrier pigeons to bring back news; while behind was a long tail, whose function was to trail over the ice and assist in gliding the balloon whither the aeronaut willed.

Four hundred miles a day were to be told off as the good ship sailed over the Arctic wastes, and the North Pole was to be reached in forty-three hours, while at the end of the sixth day Bering Sea was to be crossed, on the other side of the Arctic Circle. As forty to fifty days supply of gas and food was taken along, it would surely be an easy matter to sail down into some civilized region of the American or Asiatic Continent.

Andree called for volunteers, and a goodly list of adventure-loving young Swedes applied for a share of the honors of the most daring cruise yet attempted by man. From among these he selected two athletic fellows, Nils Strindberg, twenty-five years old, a meteorologist aeronaut, photographer and devotee of outdoor sports, and Knut Frankel, twenty-seven years old, a civil engineer, Arctic hunter, champion skater and snowshoe

Small trial balloons were sent up on the morning of July 11, 1897, and they sailed rapidly to the north, thus setting the poleward pace. Prayers were next said upon the deck of a supply vessel in the harbor, and then the balloon was in-flated and its shed unroofed to let it

It was restless to get under way when the three adventurers climbed in at 2:30 in the afternoon, and, when the line was cut, it leaped impatiently into the air. After it had gone part way out air. After it had gone part way out over the harbor a contrary wind drove it back for a while, but after barely missing some high cliffs it found a friendly current, which catching it just in time, wafted it out over the sea. Then the wind pressed it down until the car dipped into the water, but it soon rose again, cleared the rocks of an laje across the therbor, settled down to a steady progress.

above the sea. Since then the world has waited over nineteen years for some news of Andree

and his Eagle. It has been a terrible vigil for the loved ones left behind by Andree and his little crew. All sorts of conflicting rumors have accounted for the fate of the three aeronauts. One of these was brought down from the Arctic regions of upper Canada by a veteran of the frozen North, William Irvine, who had served the Hudson Bay Company for fifty-seven years. Touching at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan,

1100 miles below his trading post, he

there told a strange story to the Canadian authorities, who dispatched it over to Sweden. Shortly before leaving his frigid station this aged man had been visited by an The red man told of having met, in the previous winter, a band of Eskimos laden with strange goods, of a quality and kind unknown to their parts. Among these articles were instruments and fittings of brass, cooking utensils of ingenious workmanship and a generous supply of cordage, also of waterproof cloth. The In-

dian, upon questioning the Eskimos, heard from their lips this strange tale: Once when hunting upon the shores of the Arctic Sea they had beheld in the sky a wondrous apparition, resembling a vast "comiak," or woman's boat. It came down to earth and there dropped out of it three white-faced beings.

For a while the people so feared the great "comiak" that they would not go near it, but at length they gathered their courage and entered it, securing these strange things which the Indian after ward saw, besides much provisions, guns and ammunition. According to one story, heard by Irvine

the Indians killed the three occupants of the big balloon, but the evidence as to this was rather vague. The real fate of Andree and his com

pantons is likely to remain a mystery until the end of time. (Copyright.)

POLITICAL COLOR BLINDNESS It is probably the fact that Miss Jeannette Rankin, Montana's candidate for Representative in Congress, has light brown or auburn, or, possibly, what is called Titian colored hair, and that only looks red to her Democratic opponents.—Rochester Post-

MY TOWN know my town, and I love my town And I want to help it be

As great a town to every one
As it seems to be to me.
I praise my town and I cheer my town,
And I try to spread its fame;
And I know what a splendid thing 'twould If you would do the same.

I trust my town and I boost my town
And I want to do my part
To make it a town that all may praise
From the depths of every heart!
I like my town and I sing my town,
And I want my town to grow;
If I knocked my town or blocked my town
That wouldn't be fair, you know.

I think my town is the very best town in all ine world—to me;
Or if it's not, I want to get out
And try-to make it be!
I talk my town and I preach my town,
As I think a fellow should
Who has more at stake than to win For the love of the common good!

## What Do You Know?

OUIZ

The fate of Admiral Byng is an off-quoted and remarkable lacident in British naval annals. What was 17.
 Socialists are declaring they will carry one State for their presidential nomines. What State is that?

What is the William Penn Highway?
What is the "watering of stock"?
What was the famous "\$29,000,000 fine
Name two important books written by
James Barrie.

7. When were the first successful aeropiane e

8. What countries are in Great Britain? In the United Kingdom? 9. What is a receivership?
10. What was the original purpose of Madam Montessori's investigations?

> Answers to Yesterday's Quiz Boridle of rada and battle-ax on new dimes-in ancient Rome the lictors carried the fraction before the Magintrates in pro-cession emission of authority; the rode to flor prisouers and the ax to belies them.

Bounty on wheat": offered, as it is now suggested to do in France, in order to encourage planting in a country. ord of wood: four by four by eight feet. Vers libre": free verse; free from form; rules of meter and rhyme.

rules of meter and rhyme.

Riot act: officially read in England to rioters; after the formal reading by a Magistrate those who do not disperse are guilty of felony.

6. Agadir crisk; in the summer of 1911 a German ship, the Panther, went to Morvece, and the officers augmented to the

Our domestic turkey is believed to have come down from the wild species without any cross-breeding.

Monroe Doctrine

Monroe Doctrine

A. C. S.—The doctrine is based on President Monroe's message to Congress in 1823. The first passage referred to the boundary dispute of the Northwest, then in issue between Russia. Great Britain and the United Stafes. Russia having assumed to exclude foreigners from disputed territory extending to the fifty-first parallel of latitude. The second passage referred to the proposed action of the Holy Alliance as announced by the resolutions of the Congress of Verona in 1822, directed against the system of representative government in Europe and aiming at the reimfosition of the Spanish yoke upon the South American colonies.

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Casuals of the Day's Work

One need not be an Amy Lowell,
Nor yet an Edgar Lee Mawters
To write Free Verse. All one has to a
la to stand in well enough with
The stand up into bits and make it lost in
The sauft up into bits and make it lost in
The "steps of Various Quilla," for lessand
It looks like poetry, but it isn't.
Good old Edward Sandford Martin has
somewhere
That one may not be a dying swan enter
But one can write Free Verse just as
as that

on that
Of Walt Whitman or Stephen Crans
Or any of the other sharps—
To say nothing of the flats—

One can think of something worth while

Can write.
The answer is not so remote as it see

"Washington is to probe the sinking the Marina." says a presumably suthe dispatch. Note the accent on "presumable If the poor old probe isn't careful R a get itself all worn out.

A Chester girl who eloped telegraphs; mother that she "couldn't resist supperfect day." Which goes to show that weather man can be too good sometiment is in safe for susceptible person be abroad. We may come to realize that R is at the unnecessary that is really necessary This deeply philosophical opinion is or the present cost of most everything

There is an ancient proverb which is it is dangerous to play with fire Prably. The difficulty, however, lies is fact that so few persons know how to with fire artistically.

Women have married men before under the assumption that they could reform them. The only possible way a car reform a man is to bore him to

"What becomes of the saucers after the cups are broken?" asks B. L. T. is the Chicago Tribune.

Our own impression is that they are the same blue rocks for Cap'n Bill Simonics is shoot at. "At" is right!

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