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After all, there is more truth than poetry or intellect in the remark of the Representative from Perry County about "these days of manipulation and civilization."

It took years for some people to discover that the Monroe Doctrine was less humanitarian than protective in purpose. Maybe after a while the nation will understand the purpose of the so-called peace note sent by the President.

It would be a much simpler problem if the official class and the people of Europe were fighting for the same things. The people are fighting to make the civilized parts of the world habitable. The officials are fighting to make the uncivilized parts of the world exploitable.

Three things that St. Louis ought to do this year, according to the Republic, are to provide against railway congestion, to tear down the old roller-coasters and replace them with modestly priced apartments, and to organize for the development of foreign trade with St. Louis money.

A Chinese delegate to one of the earlier peace conventions at The Hague said to his associates in the conference, "Suppose a nation which received an ultimatum refused to fight, what would be the procedure?" He could find the answer in the fate of Korea, but as we understand it the purpose of the League to Enforce Peace is to persuade the nations to agree to give a different answer to this and similar questions.

Prospects for a vote on the prohibition constitutional amendment in Congress this winter are said to be bright. The optimists, however, have not yet been able to count the necessary two-thirds majority for it. The Holman amendment of 1914 received an affirmative vote of 197, with 183 votes against it. This was sixty votes short. It is possible that the House will pass the amendment and put on the Senate the responsibility of defeating it. The House has been in the habit of shirking its responsibility on important matters, confident that the Senate would do its duty. This was before Senators were elected by popular vote. It remains to be seen, now, whether Senators who must give account of their stewardship to the voters themselves will be more responsive to popular opinion.

Old party lines have been obliterated in the North Dakota Legislature, which met Tuesday. The Legislature and most of the State offices are controlled by the Farmers' Nonpartisan League, organized a year or two ago. The politicians, it seems, had refused to heed the demand of the farmers, expressed in a State-wide referendum, for the farmers decided to take matters into their own hands. They wanted certain specific things. Republican and Democratic farmers alike wanted them. One or two men who believed that the people could get what they wanted if they went about it in the right way started the league. They secured 42,000 members, each of whom paid \$9 into the treasury. They canvassed the State in automobiles. As a result, they carried the primaries in the spring and elected their legislative ticket in November and are now getting down to business in Bismarck. And the old party leaders are rubbing their eyes in astonishment at their overthrow. That game can rule only so long as the people let them seem to be the lesson of this western experiment in democracy.

Senator Penrose, we believe, denounced bitterly the Governor's alleged grab of campaign funds. Repeatedly the Senator has intimated that it is disgraceful to maintain the status quo and have in the Governor's chair a man on whom such grave charges rest. The Governor himself, it appears, is not particularly concerned about the imputation on his honor. He shows no sign of asking an investigation. But Mr. Penrose controls the Legislature. He can do what he pleases with the people's elected law-

making body. He can present the facts to an investigating committee which can be relied on to see straight. Vindication by such a committee would be a remarkable triumph for the Governor and a complete refutation of all charges against him. Yet innocence could face such an inquiry with supreme confidence. Mr. Penrose as a vindicator of the honor of the Commonwealth does not cut much of a figure, to be sure, but he seems to be the only vindicator in sight, and he ought to be compelled to make good. The people want to know which of them have an embargo for Governor or a blackmailer for Senator.

PORT OF PHILADELPHIA
A PHILADELPHIA banker, who has the habit of doing big things, says:
If I were the directing power in the Chamber of Commerce I would lead the whole membership on excursion steamers and take them up and down the Delaware River front and show them what very few of them have ever seen or known anything about, except in a vague manner; and that is the wonderful development now in progress in connection with our port and the enormous possibilities for greater development, especially in connection with the vast stretches of undeveloped territory on the south side, contiguous to the river, suitable for the location of innumerable industrial plants, which in no other city could find such unobstructed facilities for transportation by both rail and river.

The Evening Ledger publishes today the first of a series of articles on the Port of Philadelphia. They are intended, as far as possible, to give the people of Philadelphia, especially our merchants and manufacturers, a mental picture of what the banker above referred to would seek to accomplish in his unobscured way.

THE STATE VS. DIRT
DOCTOR EVANS, of Chester, fears that in that comparatively modern combat which began in the Netherlands in the Middle Ages, when the Dutch invented cleanliness, the powers of darkness have been winning. The defendant in the case of the State versus dirt remains in the dock while the jury is undecided, and it finds that no good place as any from which to infect both Judge and juror.

SLOW DEATH
MANY theories have been advanced as to what the German Crown Prince meant when he said about a year ago, "This war is idiotic." He had prayed for all his life and when it came wasn't satisfied. The meaning is becoming clear. A militant empire has in the past piled victory upon victory, but the paradox has never happened that with each expansion it was compelled to tighten its death.

FEDERAL ACTION TO CURB THE DRUG EVIL
The proposal that Congress appoint a special committee to investigate the whole subject of Federal responsibility for the distribution of habit-forming drugs is excellent. Not only would the findings of such a committee be of enormous value to the individual States as a basis for supplementary legislation of their own, but the immediate effect would be, we believe, the strengthening of the Federal law, which in turn would be the incentive also for an international conference on the subject.

Antiquarian Lore
Dear T. D.—Regarding the death of Falstaff, Shakespeare said: "I bade me lay more cotton on his feet. I put my hand on them and felt them, and his feet were as cold as any stone."

Throwing the Bull
Hector Turnbull, of the Lasky Company, has to reflect many manuscripts. A well-known author took him a scenario the other day, which he now admits was no good. Turnbull, of course, declined it, sending it back with a polite note. Whereupon the author wrote him: "You were right old man! Hereafter I shall call you 'Turnbull'."

Tom Daly's Column

THE RURAL PHILOSOPHER
I ain't no "higher critic."
I gulp my Gospel whole;
There's nothing in the Bible
Kin't give me old soul.
And yet I don't mind sayin'—
Now just 'twixt you an' me—
There's some things in the Good Book
That don't exactly see.

Served You Right
At a banquet the other night I slipped the waiter a dollar and whispered, "But me next to sound so!" However, I found myself seated several yards away. I asked the waiter for an explanation. "Fact is," said he, "Mr. Sound so gave me \$2 to seat you 'way down here." J. T.

A TURN FOR THE BETTER
The world will turn of course it will.
What does it matter, if the world is still?
The storm was fierce, with wondrous skill,
Told a history. J. S. S.

Figurative Speech
Dear Sir:—The little "epithet" verse published the other day, your contrib., may be interested in knowing, is attributed to Doctor Whewell, "Billy Whiffle," as they used to call him at Oxford, because it was so much easier to whistle his name than to pronounce it, and it appears in a young lady's album. It was written in James Appleton Morgan's collection of "Macaronic Poetry." There is one that immediately precedes Doctor Whewell's verse, and will serve for a Roland for your Oliver. I give the note as Morgan wrote it:

Answers to Saturday's Quiz
1. Maroon did not estimate the idea of wire-communication between cities, which was established by the telegraph, Edison and the telephone.
2. The declivity is the incline, or the slope of a hill.
3. About sixty per cent of the population of Pennsylvania is under thirty years of age.

TO A STRICKEN WORLD
Be not disheartened, weary world, since War
With your teeth gnaws at the gates of Life.
This pain shall pass; this horror and this strife
Shall vanish. All this grief that we deplore
Shall fade, and the white gods we reared for
Out of the mist shall come with healing hands.
There is as much that no one understands:
The earth in darkness, heaven's bolted door.

Sailors' Costumes
N. U.—Before the days of Lord Nelson the English bluejackets wore the queue, or pigtail. This was dressed in thick grease and then the powder was put on. In the course of time, this dressing got the men's jumpers filthy, and to protect the blue fabric of the jumper the Admiralty ordered that the powder should be rubbed into the shoulders to the middle of the back. This plain linen collar was worn till after Lord Nelson's death, when the Admiralty decreed that it should be replaced with three rows of white braid (not worn on the cuffs in the English navy) and that is how the collar came to be adorned as it is today.
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A Master of Technique
Brown sought to get rid of his Mrs. and the with young Barbara Blue. Whose fervent caresses and kisses. To him were—oh, utterly new. The judge said this pertinent question, "What grounds have you got for divorce?" Brown offered the naive suggestion, "Why, Barbara's treatment, of course!" ALOYSIUS.

SAM LOYD'S PUZZLE
HAYNE you ever noticed that the big painted clocks in front of jewelry stores all indicate the same time? It's something between 15 and 29 minutes past 8, and the two hands are a like distance from 12. What is the exact time? Answer to Saturday's Puzzle BUTTE, Washington, Easton, Oregon, Denver.

What Do You Know?

There was a poet in Galilee—
His mother clearly knew him—
Whose heavily lily a cooling tree
Drew many people to him.

He loved the touch of simple men
And little children's lamplight.
He came—they always came again.
He went—they followed after.

He had sweet-hearted things to say,
And he was solemn only
When people were unkind—one day
He stood up straight and lonely.

And told them what they ought to do:
"Love other folk," he pleaded,
"as you love me and I love you."
But almost no one heeded.

There was a poet in Galilee—
They stared at him and slew him.
What would they do to you and me
If we should say we knew him?
—Writer Hymner, in Pictorial Review.

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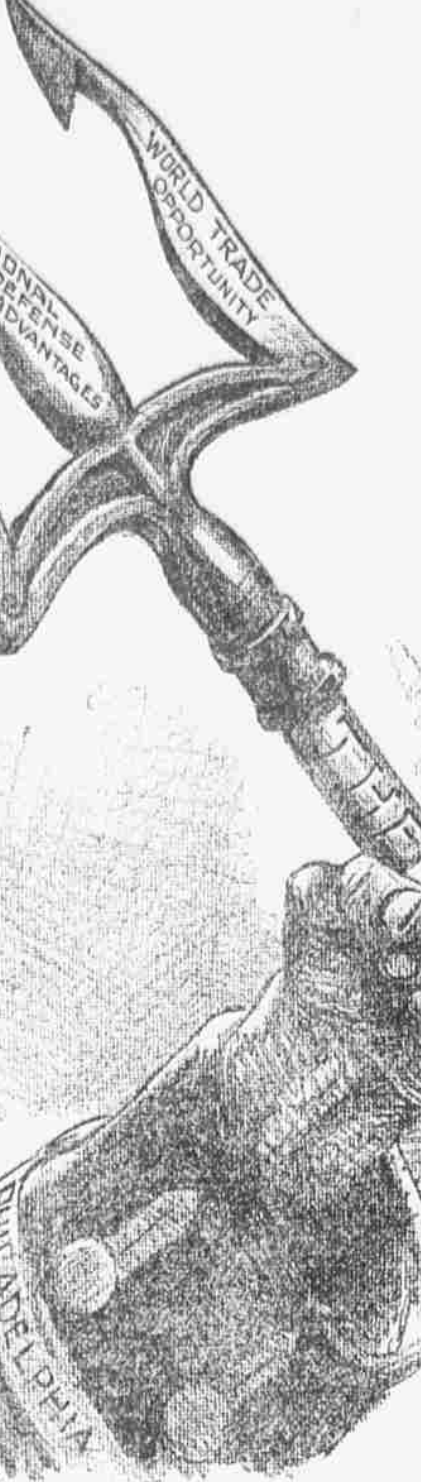
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