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The gigantic task ahead of us today is minimized by no one. Doubtless the eminent Briton beholds the somber side of the picture just as clearly as we do.

RECIPROcity WITH AMERICA France Plans Closer Trade Relations for the Benefit of Both Countries After the War

Tom Daly's Column LET'S make this a Swimming Number. Our talk about the old "Bathy" has stirred up so many old rascals with no hair left to get wet, and they seem so hungry for more of it, that we'll just plunge right in again.

THE RUSSIAN DYNAMO Kerensky, Always Known as Friend of the Oppressed, Weathered Many Storms Before the War

BEAT! BEAT! DRUMS! Beat, beat, drums! Blow, bugles, blow! Through the windows and through the doors—burst like a ruthless foe—

COULD SCHWAB BE ELECTED GOVERNOR? AMONG the Americans who have put the stamp of their efficiency on the existing era, none, we believe, is more conspicuously able than Charles Schwab.

CANICULAR DAYS ABOUT a week ago "Old Probs" angrily revealed himself as the man who put the temper into temperate. Some hundreds of thousands of wilted collars simply yet persistently emphasized the first two syllables of the phrase describing the zone of latitude in which we Philadelphians dwell.

Tom Daly's Column (continued) A lad from the prooftroom rushes in to hand us a wheeze: "Has it anything to do with swimming?" We demand, holding him off. "Well," sez he, "some people swim in it."

Champion of the Poor The Russian dictator has many attributes likely to endear him to popular opinion. Always inclined to favor "the little fellow," always tending toward sympathy for the oppressed, he not only champions the poor, but is known as the champion of the poor.

Elected to the Duma Once workmen in a gold mine struck and a battle with the authorities followed. Several laborers paid the final penalty for their emendations with their lives. Anger, sweeping Russia, demanded a reform of the circumstances. Kerensky was on the job to support the rights of the laborers.

What Do You Know? QUIZ 1. How many Presidents of the United States were there? 2. What is the chief city of the new independent state of Persia?

SWIPING THE PEOPLE'S NICKEL Ninety-five-cent gas would not bring any real benefit to the people at this time, because we should have to get the money out of them some other way.

AN AIR OF EXPECTANCY LONDON reports that there is "an air of expectancy" of big things on land and sea. Yet battles are never announced beforehand.

THE IDYLL OF OLD JOES You started it, Judge—and the Colonel—you knocked at my bedroom door, Disturbing my peaceful slumber at the ridiculous hour of four.

MARRIAGE AND SLACKERISM Sir—The military authorities of the War Department are said to have declared that no man within military age married after July 20 shall be exempted from the draft.

CONCERNING ALCHEMY To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—in your valuable paper of August 6, under the caption "The Voice of the People," G. W. D., in commending your editorial on the subject of prayer and in reflecting against the alchemists of the Germans in their pretensions as to "German Kultur," takes occasion to attack the alchemists on the ground that, instead of seeking results through faith in God, they "sought for a material substance and to change other materials into something better."

STREET RAILWAY "FETISHES" "The five-cent fare," says Joseph X. Choate, urging as counsel an increase, "has been a fetish of transportation" in street railways.

THE GREAT PRIVILEGE OF LIVING IN A GREAT ERA SIR ERIC GEDDES, First Lord of the British Admiralty, is good for gloom-wearied souls. "It is a great war," he writes to a Pittsburgh friend, "and a great age to live in."

GIVING IT A MEANING It is a clearer vision and full understanding of the world gets of the nature of this conflict as seen in the words of the present text of the French Chamber of Deputies in welcoming to French soil a party of American soldiers, words that will keep company with the fine expressions of the time:

Trade Between Friends "We bought millions of marks' worth of varied merchandise from Germany yearly before 1914. We shall make that millions of dollars in American merchandise, not only for the exceptional needs of the reconstruction period, but for the decades beyond it."

LATIN INSCRIPTIONS To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir—The letter of Mr. Frank W. Freese, 25, indicates the difficulty of finding a Latin inscription unless they are quotations from classical writers.

YOUNG GERMANY'S HEAVEN For fifteen years before the war, as every one knows who has read the trouble by German editors, pamphleteers, professors and preachers, this is an utterance in 1912 of a publication of the association known as "Young Germany."

THE INEFFICIENT POLICE WORK OF 1849 "DISORDER and bloodshed in the year 1849" would at once suggest California to any one acquainted with the history of this country. But there were few communities in the California of 1849 going digging days that could compete in lawlessness with the Philadelphia of that summer.

THE GREAT PRIVILEGE OF LIVING IN A GREAT ERA (continued) As a matter of fact, Mr. Schwab is too busy doing a man's work to be a candidate for any office. Offices seek big men; little men seek offices.

GIVING IT A MEANING (continued) "Soldiers of the free America, the intervention of your glorious republic gives us the greatest struggle of all time its true and final character."

LATIN INSCRIPTIONS (continued) The Central Branch Young Men's Christian Association of Brooklyn, N. Y., has a Latin inscription in its library books. Compliments are sent to the donor.

YOUNG GERMANY'S HEAVEN (continued) "War is the noblest and holiest expression of human activity. For us, too, the glad, deep hour of battle will strike. Still, and great, the German heart must live the joy of battle and the utmost for it. Let us breathe who fear war and the old women in their or revolting. No war is better than heart beyond the earth and the common. In the cloud palace—sit the heroes and folk, the old, Bismarck are there as well, nor joy in war when they would take away our joy in war. When here on earth a battle is won by German arms, a Polesian lance will call the guard to the door, and 'Old' will spring from his golden throne."

THE INEFFICIENT POLICE WORK OF 1849 (continued) Organized gangs of ruffians became bold and bolder in mischief-making on the outskirts of the old city. They were known by such names as the Killers, the Blood-Tubs, the Rats, the Bouncers, the Schuyler Kill Rangers, etc. One reads of battles between the Killers No. 1 and the Bouncers No. 1, but nobody ever seems to have heard of the Killers No. 2, or No. 3. The district of Moyamensing was particularly afflicted with these gangs. The streets of this district were also in deadly enmity with each other. On a June Sunday, 1849 a battle took place in the streets and lasted all day. Bricks, stones and firearms were used and hundreds took part. The fighting ranged from Eighth to Eleventh and from Christian to Fitzwater street.

THE INEFFICIENT POLICE WORK OF 1849 (continued) Two weeks later a shed on Shippen (Bainbridge) street between Ninth and Tenth streets was fired purposely. The carriage of the Franklin Hose Company, proceeding toward the place, was seized by a gang of ruffians who were lying in wait on the street. The carriage was run and run down to Washington avenue wharf on the Delaware, where it was pushed into the river. A retaliatory operation of the same kind was brought about by setting fire to a shed on another part of Shippen street. The Moyamensing Hose Company was attacked by adherents of the Franklin. A serious fight took place with firearms, in the course of which Alexander Gillies was killed and nine of the crew were wounded. Another terrible outbreak occurred on the night of the 11th of the burning of the California House at Sixth and St. Mary streets; that is another story in itself.