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THE GIANT A GIANT'S CLOTHES

"Big Philadelphia" plan of the Chamber of Commerce is big—in conception, big in scope, big in possibility...

THE CULT OF MISERY

ACORRESPONDENT tells us the nummers' parade of New Year's Day should be called off. We might as well call off Christmas and be done with it, at this rate.

GERMANY'S OTHER SHOE

WE HAVE been repeatedly warned and we want to know the worst as soon as possible. We are like the nervous man whose neighbor overhead dropped his shoe on the floor and who, after a long wait, yelled, "For heaven's sake throw the other shoe!"

BASTARDIZING EVERYBODY

of the statements of Mr. Ritchie, member of this district for the American Federation of Labor, do not "see" anything other. He declares the cry of shortage is a fictitious plaint, fostered by employers who want to get into men's jobs to cut down wages.

NATIONAL CAPITAL'S POPULATION JUMPS

Cost of Living a Serious Problem. Baltimore Helps to Relieve Situation

FIERCE LIGHT OF PUBLICITY

EVERY scintilla of evidence, as the old formula went, must be adduced about the conduct of the war. Let not one guilty man escape. Senators and Congressmen have taken off their coats to the task and the majority of the investigators have shown an admirable spirit.

WASHINGTON NOW SMOKY

Around the lobbies of the big hotels it is no uncommon thing to see the clerks turning back dozens of businesslike citizens carrying grips and eager for business.

HIGH PRICES BEING PAID

The commercial spirit has undoubtedly affected the hitherto proud and conservative residents of Washington. It is manifested in the hotels, which have increased their rates; in the apartment houses, which have almost doubled theirs; in the stores, where foodstuffs and other commodities have gone up in price, and in the private homes, many of which are being sublet at enormous rates.

ART A NECESSITY

This composite art was a religion with him—"an culte," as the French say. He believed art as essential and as necessary as the butcher, the baker, the candlestick maker. He believed artists should not only be paid, but honored, and he believed that that could well be followed without any artistic realm of life.

ART'S DEBT TO MONET

The master was very broad. He understood and appreciated many things beyond his palette. He was an admirer of the Gothic, the antique, the Renaissance, the art of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries with which in any of his works there is nothing of semblance. He glorified Puvis de Chavannes and Victor Hugo, Eugene Delacroix and Claude Monet. He said that each and all worked first with their intelligence and that painting owed more to Monet than any modern because he saw clear and pointed out the way to drive the show along.

BOOK OF FREE MEN

A friend who was looking over the Greek corner of Rufus Choate's splendid library turned and banteringly exclaimed, "Seven editions of the New Testament, and not one copy of the Constitution of the United States, and not one copy of the Constitution of the United States, and not one copy of the Constitution of the United States..."

BALTIMORE AN OASIS

Real estate men think the increase in population in Washington will be permanent, and some of them are predicting an ultimate population for the capital city of about a million. The newcomers, however, are not all permanent; many of them go almost as quickly as they come.

THE PHILLIES ARE GOING TO ST. PETERSBURG

The Phillies are going to St. Petersburg. With the loss of Alexander and Kilfer many believe they're going even further.

WHAT WILL BE THE ULTIMATE HABITAT OF THAT STATUE OF THE KAISER IN CRUSADER'S ARMOR WHICH STOOD IN JERUSALEM?

The nations which win the war will write the history of those times and future generations will read it. The nations which lose will suffer the consequences.

APPRECIATION OF AUGUSTE RODIN

French Master Reversed Many Accepted Axioms of Art and Opened New Vision

By HENRI BAZIN

A few months ago it was my privilege to be received by Rodin, to hear him speak, to look upon his godlike head, to be permitted reporting an interview that, as I wrote at the time, was rather in the nature of a call with a shuttling friend.

ALWAYS AT ODDS WITH ACADEMIC METHODS

After all, what is art's predominant feature but portrayal of the artist's intelligence, dissecting the work itself, the thing, the idea portrayed, the setting forth clear of real world, the simple, executive, convincing, uncomprehensible? This was always my impression in studying Rodin's art, and came as clear as a bell after the first shock of his hands' strong individuality with the modeling tool or the chisel—striking home with the fact that here was first of all an individual thing, far more so than "artistic" as the word is so often prostituted, and yet the height of art in the true sense.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Penn's Doctor of Law-lessness—The New Year's Shooters—The Home Rule Situation

OLD GLORY AT ACADEMY

Flag Presentation Interpolated in the Philadelphia Orchestra's Tchaikowsky Concert

Tom Daly's Column

THE VILLAGE POET (A Ball to Sykes's Cartoon) We poets aren't good for much, an' yet at Christmas-time There's quite a lot of cavities that might be plugged with rhyme, An' snooping 'round our village, in this year of grace, I see Some Christmas Eve employments that would suit me to a "I."

WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

1. Who was Serooz? 2. What is meant by Froeruzman? 3. Who is Major General C. H. Muir? 4. What is the name of the "The Scarlet Letter"? 5. For what is the River Clyde noted? 6. Who is the national chairman of the American Red Cross? 7. What is the name of the "The Bard of Avon"? 8. What is an ode? 9. Where is Hullecourt?

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WHY SANTA PREFERS TO COME DOWN OUR CHIMNEYS



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FONTAINE FOX

FONTAINE FOX, besides being very nearly the funniest and most versatile artist in captivity, is one of the most industrious and painstaking. He has a habit of working all night and filling his studio with stores by day. If he had a daymare recently it was all because of that cartoon of his yesterday. The powerful Katinika could never in the world have fitted back into the frame the strip of hair...