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THE BOLSHEVIKI NEED A SENATOR HOAR

THE situation in Russia, with the Bolshe viki attempting to remake their counovernight, suggests that it is worth while telling the story of Senator Tillman has just announced he is a candidate for re-election, and justifies pointing the

South Carolina had been ruled by the planters for years before Tillman became a national figure. He did not be ong to the planter class, but was just an good an American on any of the men who had been born of the families which before the war lived on the proceeds of the work of slaves. He set out to organize a political revolution which should oust the planter aristocracy and put the power into the hands of the great majority of the white voters. He stumped the State, telling the people that they had the power if they would only exercise it, that they did not need to submit to the rule of a privileged aristocracy, and that they were unworthy name of American if they did not rise in their might and assert themselves.

In the course of time he succeeded in convincing the plain people of the State that he was right and they elected him to the Governorship and about twenty years he was sent to the United States Senate. Eefore entering that body he announced that he intended to throw out of with a pitchfork the bought agents of capital and privilege and make it a demoatic institution. He thought the other States were represented in Washington by bers of what corresponded to the planclass in South Carolina or by their agente.

When this revolutionist arrived in the national capital the late Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, made it his business to get acquainted with him. He discovered that Tillman was absolutely honest and inspired good citizens for his tireless efforts to by a genuine love for his country and a wipe out the drug poison and conserve the sincere desire to make it a better place to public health. . But he also learned that he was handicapped by lack of education and the consequent ignorance of the laws of economics and of the great forces that have an at work in bringing the people of the world thus far on the road toward freedom. With tact and patience he set out to teach Tillman. He lent him books on history and political economy. He guided him on tours of exploration through the realms of iterature. And by an expenition of his own point of view he succeeded in persuading the fire-eating radical that there were other men in the Senate as sincere and patriotic as he who were seeking the same ende of democracy toward which he was aded. As a fegult Tillman evolved from a foaming radical cager to turn the world upside down into a broad-minded states. man who had learned that progress in ade slowly and by painful efforts. He ico learned to respect the honesty and sincerity of his colleagues. He was big ough to make his confession of faith on the floor of the Senate and to take back the wild things which he had said sofore he went to Washington. He admitted that he had learned better.

preserved for its people and that freedom may have its ways made smooth so that the children of the future may walk therein without stumbling.

HAS GAFFNEY CAPIT-ULATED?

WHAT every good citizen wants to know today is whether Mr. Gaffney has abandoned his efforts to be a loyal servant of Philadelphia and has consented to become the agent and tool of a

rapacious political faction. The chairman of the Finance Committee conducted himself in the beginning in such a way as to produce the im pression that he had decided to do business in the open and to smother all jobbery and crookedness. He maintained this position for months and enabled the people to take heart of hope for better things

But the conduct of Mr. Gaffney yesterlay can be explained only on the theory that he has surrendered his own judg ment and has become the tool of the

faction in control in City Hall. He stood by and consented to the overriding of the rule providing that no appropriations can be made without the consent of two-thirds of all the members. And he made no protest when that rule was overridden by the trick of an appeal from the decision of the chair, carried by a majority vote, in spite of the fact that rules of Councils order that no rules can be suspended without the consent of two-thirds of the Councilmen. These two rules were made to prevent any such trick as the majority attempted to play yesterday afternoon. They still stand unchanged, and they accuse the majority of deliberate violation of the letter and the spirit of the laws.

The Nobre incident proved that the dominant faction had lost its head. The Councils incident proves that it has lost its sense of honor and decency and its respect for law.

If Mr. Gaffney has not capitulated ha should let it be known without delay.

"DOPE" BREAKS LOOSE AGAIN

THERE is always this difficulty about progress; that when reformers concentrate attention to wipe out one evil, an other evil is found to have made formid able strides while the reformers' backs were turned. Much effort has been furned to the purpose of combating the excessive use of liquor, and while men's minds were pointed in that direction the "dope evil, supposed to be under firm control some time ago, breaks out afresh with all its old virulence. This is not to fall into the trite old nonsense to the effect that some people must always nave an artioutlet for their baser passions. It would be as absurd to say that narcotics are a natural substitute for stimulants at to say that oversleeping is a natural substitute for murderous wrath.

Judge Thompson, of the United States District Court, declares that the "dope" evil is increasing in city and suburbs. The users of drugs are all suffering from a specific malady. They are in no way to be considered normal citizens, but sources of infection. There is no "human element" in treating with the rogues who peddle drugs and their victims, except charity for the victims in causing them to disap pear into hospitals. Nor is there any exuse in the speeding up of war industries for workers who may they are under a strain. It is the way administration's policy to demand for labor every safeguard from overwork that it had before the war. Judge Thompson deserves the fhanks of

PENNYPACKER'S "MINIATURES"

Former Governor Gives Characterizations of Prominent Persons With Whom He Came in Contact

PENNYPACKER AUTOBIOGRAPHY-NO. 95 CHAPTER NV-MINIATURES

JOSEPH G. CANNON IT HAS been my fortune to meet with "Uncle Joe," as it is the custom to call

hum, the autocrat of the House of Reprecentatives, upon two occasions. In 1905 I was a delegate to the Republican national convention which met in Chicago and nominated Roosevelt and Fairbanks for the presidency. "Uncle Joe" presided over the convention. There were fluits thousand people within the vast building. very few of the speakers could make them selves heard and there was more or less of bustle and disorder.

From the platform a long and narrow pardwalk was extended out into the midst of the vast assemblage, from the far end of which the speeches were unde-Failing to secure allence by ordinary appeaks. "Uncle Joe" got down on his hands and knees and pounded with his gavel on these beards. The attitude caused a laugh. attention was attracted to him and away from the bing of conversation and the maneuver succeeded. I made a speech cominating Fairbanks, Elihu Root and Chauncey M. Depew had spoken and when "Uncle Joe" introduced me he did it with reference to "three of a kind," which no doubt called up familiar associations in the minds of some who were present.

'I met him again in the nummer of 1999. The Honorable I. P. Wanger brought him to Norristown, where he had a reception and made an address at the Court House. We then went in automobiles over the camp ground at Valley Forge, and then to the King of Prussia Inn. As it happened, Jack O'Brien, the noted purglist, was at the interpretating for a coming bout. He was an agreeable follow but had an unhealthy look and my anticipation that he would be

beaten in the coming contest was verified by the result. "Uncle Joe" and O'Brien took off their coats and, with raised firts, faced each

other in front of the inn and in this attitude were photographed. From there we ment to the Merion Celeket Club at Hay erford, where we lunched with a large parts of fadies and gentlemen and some of us made speeches. He spoke sensible and with a certain persuasiveness. A fall, gaunt, grizzled and homely man, with a fund of anecdote from the prairies and with rugged bluntness of phrase, he gives the impression of possessing character and resolution. At this luncheon, being one of these who appreciate his public life and acrylees. I had a personal and, in a sense, a confidential chat with him. He made it plain to me that he thought Roosevelt, in his disturbance of all 'existing interests and conditions and his use of the power of the presidency to advance his friends and control the succes

tion, had done much harm. It is the fate of every old lion when his teeth begir to looren and his legs to stiffen to fall a press to the jackads who howl and himt in packs. Even new, as this is written, March 19, 1910, the mekals are gathering around "Uncle Joe" with the chances that his work is over.

TAFT Monday, February 22, 1909, at the dilute d the Alumni of the University of Pennvivania. I sat through the evening along

side of the Honorable William H. Tafi, and made this memorandum the pext morning He said to me

"You were about to pay something to orning when we met at the Acad-

sees through a problem, too, very quickly, He is mentally alert." "What do you/think of your Supreme

Court?" he inquired. "It is in good shape." I answered. "The Chief Justice, Mitchell, is an exceptionally able lawyer-and there are other strong turn on the bench""

"Do you know Hay Brown?" he asked. Yes, I know him. Do you know John Elkin?"

"Yes, and he is making a good Judge. better than you might have supposed. As you know, he was a politician, and had many associations other than legal. But he is doing well."

"I knew Judge Joseph P. Bradley, of the United States Supreme Court," he said. 'He had intended to resign, but he died on the bench. He had his own antipathles. He came to me when I was Solic ftor General and raid: 'If you have any respect whatever for my wishes in the matter, you will use to it that that man Passon, of Pennsylvania, is not appointed my successor. I never have a pain in my finger that he does not hurry down to Washington to cend up his card inquiring for my health." "Thereupon I laughed.

"Passon," I said, "was a man of strong common sense but picking in tone. He grew rich." "How did he make it?"

The was executor for David Jayne, and thereafter, was theirs and saving."

"I suppose he had good information a o incomments." he said with a twinkle. "I am not one of those," said I, "who beliese that the Philippines ought to be sur rendered. Nations as well as men have to meet their fate. We have them and ought to take case of them."

That is my opinion," said he decidedly and I shall do all I can to have the Panama Canad finished while I am President. The resolution of Congress at the outset of the Spanish War announcing a policy as to Cuba in the event of success was a great blunder."

This is one of my own pet views, and I strongly powerted, adding, "Mr. McKinley ought never to have tied himself up with his proclamation."

"I see to the newspapers," said I, "that you are going to appoint Senator Knox Secretary of State. If it be true, I am much pleased. Now do not tell me any-(Dring)

"I am going to appoint him." he replied with emphasia. "You know him well?" "Quite well, I appointed han to the Service ter."

"So yeu did."

"You may be able to do something with those people in the South. Their interests are sure to get away with their prejudices and it may come in your administration. I suggested

"I hope it does," and turning to Budd. who is a Democrat, he added, "Democracy is nothing but a memory."

He impressed me as being same, vig mous and good-hearted, and I feet assured that his administration will be successful.

Mars Garden, Connie Mark and Charles E.

QUAKER-BRED COMEDIANS

Some New Stories Brought From Abroad by the Baby Member

Titls old town has four been famous ansmedians. We have had much talk of J. W. Kelly, the Kernell brothers, Walter Kelly, Hughey Dougherty-and there are others Franch Wilson was been here and first lighted his prentice less upon some obscure local stage, with what success there is no one own to say. This autobiography is sitted upon subject, announcing briefly that he "made nal appearance in a min-He broke into legitimare steel company." He broke into legitimate conieds at the Chestnut Street Theatre in \$77 and took the part of Coal in "Londor

HOME DEFENSE HAS ADVOCATES

Officers and Organizers of Philadelphia Reserve Answer Criticisms-Its Value and Purpose

a the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger Sir-On the first page of a recent issue of our paper an article appeared giving great prominence to the alleged inactivity of the Home Defense Reserve which seems to require comment.

I sudge that the writer is not a member of the organization, and regret that the patriotic motive which has inspired a large number of men for a period of more than six to eight mentles-men who, by reason of age or family considerations, have been unable to offer their pervices as enlisted men to our country-to faithfully drill night after night preparing themselves against an emergency so that, if it should arise, they might acquit themselves as men, should be ridiculed and he organization shelf characterized and Broad Circet Paraders

ariginally intended for training of men by its donor and he would be proud today could he see the work going on Colonel William B. Mills has had his handa full in the organization of this regiment and, of me state right here, even if he does hold

a job at City Hall no more efficient mar can be found in Philadelphia today. London has its home defense reserves and when the need actually presented itself The men gave a good account of themselves Philadelphia's men beyond the draft ag will do as well. Don't knock, boost. W mean humness JOSEPH L. BALLEY, Acting major, 1st division, P. H. D. R. Philadelphia, March 7.

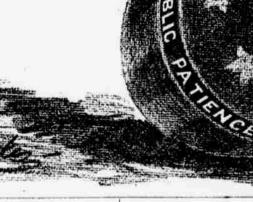
To the Eduar of the Locaing Public Ledger

VALUE OF SARCASM

An' "gougin' folks" an' "lyin'," But most be mentioned "standard of" An' "business purifyin'." s the Editor of the Descent of the adding "Over-Str-1 am to astonished on reading "Overhe feels a unconfortable about receiving so

This rotten world is bad enough Without all them things in it. Such talk jist gets me feelin' tough When pa an' ma begin it. It puts my stummick on the blink An' makes my heart ' cat faster,

Because I know all parents think



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iing and take a look. The building was

The Boy's Fears This world's a rotten place, I know; There's nothin' decent in it. An' if I'd somewheres else to go

I'd leave it in a minute. . The blamed old place seemed pretty wrong When I got up this mornin',

But now more trouble's come along Without a minute's warnin', For when I dressed an' hurried down

As quick as I was able. Pa dropped his paper with a frown

Upon the breakfas' table. An' then he talked of "honest toil"

The moral of all this is obvious. The Boleviki are the Tillmans of Russia. They honest. They are seeking the good of country. They hope to democratize d to do the work while you wait. But st is not made in that summary on. There is a vast inertia in every organization. Revolution cannot to it. It may beat upon the instiand cover it with the spump of n blood as the waves of the sea beat granite cliffs. But the cliffs stand. only a few crumbling boulders. It time for even the thundering sea to way through a sand bar. And when er was given in the leginning that ers should be separated from the nd the geologists tell us that countis passed before the order was

> he Bolsheviki do not seem to know tter than Tillman knew it before Hoar took hold of him. What f. and what Russia needs at the a is some man or some grout he patience, tact and knowlear to guide the des

THE STATE RESERVE MILITIA

THE United States is fortunate in that its shores are not menaced by foreign invasion. The war has taught us a hard lesson in military "preparedness," and one part of that lesson which we must not forget is the necessity for an organized home defense. It is a duty of patriotism for men who measure up to the eligibility standards to enter the Pennsyl ania Reserve Militia, now in process of organization The Keystone State has given so generously of its guardsmen, volunteers and deatted youth that there is small opportunity of duplicating in the new Lome de fense legion the complete army division the N. G. P. contributed to win this war But a showing of which the Commonwealth can be proud, for its number and vigor, is possible if able-bodied men of the prescribed age volunteer for the new reserve Federal and State constitutions make explicit provision for a militia and we should see to the speedy and efficient creation of the new reserve to replace the former National Guard, mustered into the service of the nation. "In time of peace prepare for war" may become an outworn formula in the millennium we expect will follow liberty's triumph over autocracy, but just now a safe guiding maxim in in time of war prepare for defense.

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	Woman parifist loses jobHeadline. But a lot of he-pacifists are still on it.
	Maxim of pro-Germanism-wasie wheat and kill a soldier.
1	Brest-Litovsk wire-pulling is due to faulty Polarization.
	Well gamble, nevertheless, on Hog
	Deputy Surveyor Nobre calls it doing his duty by the city and Senator Vare calls it "criminal libel."
	It wouldn't hurt to clap one of those embargoes on ill-natured criticism of Ameri- can war policies.
	With the coming of the spring rains Jupiter Pluvius will relieve the Vares of part of that street-cleaning job which seems too much for them.
	The United States is Ireland's model. any's the widow of F. Sheehy Skeffington. And a lot of Irishmen are model citizens of the United States.

There are 10,000 men wandering up and down the Atlantic seasonast today looking for place to live. --Charles H. Whilaker. Some have their wives also looking.

Uncle Sam is the greatest life-insurance erwriter in the world with \$12,000,000,000 in risks. Every time we folks back of the fighting lines est lass wheat four, buy a

emv of Music and were interrupted?" "Oh, I was only about to express my surprise at your calling me by name. We

met only once before and then but for a 'ew minutes." "I have a pretty good memory for faces but that is not it-you have a face that lingers. Besides, we have met more than once. Perhaps we were not introduced at I have seen you at functions." "How do you like it." I inquired. "up

to the present" You were thrown out on the stump, making speeches, rubbing up against all kinds of people, many of them anxious to commit you upon subjects of interest to them. It must have been a great experience." "I rather enjoyed it. I made four hun-

fred and two speeches. Eryan made over eight hundred, but then, as some one said to me, he is an exception which don't count and is all throat. I wrote out at the beginning of the campaign a letter of acceptance in which I expressed my views on all the issues. In my speeches I confined myself to it, and you know while you may use different language it is virtually a repetition of the same thought. in all of them." Dr. S. Weir Mitchell sat on my right

Mr. Taft on my left. Presently Mr. Taft turned to me and abruptly asked; "What sort of a mayor is Mr. Reyburn

making?" Mr. Reyburn was a few scats to our left and in the course of the evening was

unfortunate in an effort to secure an interview. I answered: "Doctor Mitchell only a few minutes ago

said to me that he is an unlimited idjot. I do not agree with Doctor Mitchell in this conclusion. You know Mitchell is a little decided in his views. I think Mr. Revburn is a good mayor, doing all he can for the benefit of the city. In Philadelphia the lines are drawn pretty closely. I mean the social lines. Mr. Reyburn has not the correct social brand." "It amused me," said he, "to hear that

Mrs. Reyburn feels that her husband is like the Lord Mayor of London and oughto take the lead in all functions." "She not only so feels but she shows a

disposition to enforce what she thinks to be a right. There is much in the relation of all sorts of people which may afford amusement to a mind of philosophical tendency." Thereupon he gave a hearty Immarki.

"You must be a very good-natured fellow." I ventured, "to have got along so comfortably with Mr. Roosevelt." "Roosevelt." he replied, "is impulsive,

but he has as little pride of opinion as any man I have ever known. In all matters in my department, when the reasons were explained to him, he was satisfied. He

Arsuranch' in '13 and '79. His great bit, the creation of the role of Cadeaux in "Erinie," came ten years later. . . For many years after Wilson became fa-

us his worthy old mother maintained ittle home in this city, and we requestly seen the comed recall having requently seen the comedian carrying arkets of fresh eggs and butter to her when CATTYING inkets of fresh eggs and water own. I work brought him back to town.

his work brought him back to town. Wilson retured from the stage zone time ago, the Kernell boys and J. W. Kelly are dead, Hughey Dougherty still ingers on the verge of the grave, but Walter Kelly flourishes and so does Jack Norworth. Norworth is the baby member of this group of merry Quikkets. He's a downtowner and his deak locks doubles comessi many a many reserved in stone fields show the ready for versice, in advancing rapidly to the point where, if needed, it can be of real alue in case of an emergency, and this in pite of the fact that until recently our my fathers have offered practically no en-ouragement, and in spite of the fact that ere are not even yet enough rifles to supply an other equipment even low being en-lacking? Your comment on uniforms fair. If workingmen give and are ar received in stone fights along the dustkill River front. He was a tough gut unfair. lifting to give gratis their time and energy-it they have—why should not they be in stued? And, indeed, let the critician re send ran with a tough crowd, but he's a cos-mopolite new and rubbing against the world has given him a polish. He dame back to fown this work and, gathering a party of friends around a table, spilled for their length some new stories brought from the other side. a Councils for not having supplied the neeary equipment long before this

together

Ty equipment long before this. I grant you that we have not been called to action. We have a Police Department i the city of Philadelphia which is intended first Zeppelin I ever saw," said he The first Zeppein, I ever saw," said he, brought my gaug training back to me un-consciously, because I was standing in the uniddle of a vart crowd looking up at the rky at the Zeppein and without thinking I took my watch out of my breast pocket and aut it in my tremeers pocket, just as if I ex-pected some of the rival gang to grab it from ms. To get a better view of it, my wife and I got up on the top of a bus and rode along watching II. It was rather a chilly night and as I had no overcoat on my wife said. to take care of ordinary police duty. are preparing for an emergency and we hope that if it should arise, by next fall or before

at, if it should arise, by next fail or before o shall be ready to most it. Thope that you will give this letter half as, such publicity as the article to which it has efferred. ALFRED T. STEINMETZ. eferred. Lieutenant, Twenty-ninth Company, H. D. R. Philadelphia, March 7. watching it. It was rather a child stong and as I had no overcoat on my wife said. Here, wrap this need of fur across your chest or you'll catch cold.' I told her that with death hovering over us in this manner I didn't think a little thing like a cold would

NEED A PRESS AGENT

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger Sir-I note in a recent issue of the Evening PUBLIC LEDGER the work of the Philadelphia Home Defense Reserveiseems to have been criticized, and for the information of those, at least in that portion of Philadelbother me. She said, Well, the Zeppelin may miss you, but the cold won't." "There were three American coons near us and they were discussing the question as to where was the safest place to be during a Zeop raid. One was for the metallow those, at least in that portion of Philadel-phia south of South street and from river to river I would ask the question; Are they included in the draft are or beyond? If the former they should have enlisted long ago, if the latter they should be members, of the Home Defense Reserve and be beiter informed. It does not take any political pul-to become a member. Just look up the liquetenant of police in your particular dis-trict and he will see to it that you are enralled. Sopp raid. One was for the underground tube and another for the pavement close against a building since the bombs striking in the street always spread upward. The but saying rafest place

enrolled Is the Home Defense Reserve defunct? No, it's the livest military organization in Philadelphia outside of the regular article at the present time. The only trouble we have had to contend with is that we have no press agent and therefore suffer in con-

yes, it is true that we have quite a num Yes, the same. Yes, the same. the sa

Tes, the education of the men is very slow. It is impossible to make soldiers over-night. In fact it takes three or four months to make em at Camp Meade, where they get it for breakfast, dinner and supper and some oven go to night school. Here we have the men once a week and we are even getting on micty.

she feels as unconfortable about receiving so munificent a raiary for so foeble an effort, why not turn it back to the board? I am sure these able gentlemen could make use of it. For, he ansars to every request, they hypertable sing a song of chortness of funds. Or perhaps "Overpaid Teacher" is merely sarrable, and I, after minding my 343 young-sters-don't gasp; I don't have them all in one don. one day-but too dult and stupid to per Broad -treet Paradern" Have you considered the fact that since is organization of the Reserve faithful men

one day-any too dull and stupid to see through it. Really, I hope the latter is the case: there is more hope for a sarcastic person than for one devoid of her sound mind. Why, the hope of the schools of to-morrow her in dissatisfied teachers, for the taxe given their time and energy in holding norrow hen in dissatisfied teachers, for the satisfied one quickly stagnates. And if Overpaid Teacher" is content to remain the inferior of men in regard to salary and will rest on her oars thinking the city is doing shough and too much for her, she'd better curl up in her little corner and accuster her-self to ioncliness, for not many of us will her part company or share her views. gether, in helping to drill and discipline only themselves but also draft men, and the organization today, while not yet

A HARD WORKER. Philadelphia, March 7.

WHY AUTO INDUSTRY WENT WEST I believe that the determining factor in acording the automobile industry West was the purely psychological one of lack of im agination on the part of the eastern contin

On the other hand, the western designers On the other hand, the western designers and inanufacturers were hangered by no such restricted outlook. They had no such cloud of tradition to could between them and the vision. They behold some faint outline of what the motor vehicle was to become and promptly set about transforming the vision into a restity.—Alexander Johnston in Mo-tor.

MELLOW MILITARY HUMON

rewall Jackson evend his celebrity to unit enlargam, bus the following, ascribed a la by to means a bad sample of biling A hastor was reported wounded, and there-unable to perform a certain task, middle exclaimed biomevair "If that is so at have been by an accidental discharge of ur tore

What Do You Know?

QUIZ

- What is a mosque? Where is the Mammoth Case? Who is Colonel Repington?
- What is scrapple!
- What is pedagogs?
- 6 Explain the ellusion, "A Boland for an
- 1. Which is the United States military representa-tive on the Inter-Allied War Councils
- 8. Who were the Incas?
- Where is Mescow?
- When did the First Continental Congress meet

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

- e Rt. Hon. and Most Rev. Cosmo Gordon Lang is Archbishop of York and Primate of England in the Augilean Church.
- Lang is Archbishop of York and Primate of England in the Auslican Church.
 Sackhalien is an Jahand cast of Asistic Russia. one-half of which is owned by Janka.
 Gestend Manifeste: a paper signed by various the prime of the second second

The standard oil is castor TOM DALY.

RECIPROCITY IN SLANG

Fair Exchange in Phrases With a Punch Prevails Between England and the United States

LOYD GEORGE is said to have shocked . the British public in his famous Paris speech by the use of "yea" instead of the nore rober "yes." A comic paper, with an eye to our co-operation in the war, stated that perhaps he meant to say "yep."

It seems to be a matter of remark on the other side that our slang has been interpenetrating the king's English, says the Evening Post. English statesmen have been reported as pounding the diplomatic table, and stating that "we will put it across," generals are reported to have concluded an order of the day with the words, "Soldiers of Ensland, it's up to you!" When Asquith fell. a taid old member of Farliament is said to have remarked. 'I knew he would set in bad.' 'Some.' in the ruperlative sense, has bad." "Some," in the superlative sense, has risen to the dignity of discussion in the stald

old Manchester Guardian. How have we reciprocated for this British courtery," We have adopted such expres-sions as "doing our bit," "slacker," "over the

top" and certain other war expressions. ordinary English slang has passed over our heads. "Side," "doing some one in the eye, "fancy," "josser" and the others have not ye. reached us. Courtesy might point to our cul-tivation of them. But good sense, let us hope, will keep us to our own idiomocracy of Mark Transles self. Mark Twain's soil.

DEVELOPING MESOPOTAMIA

Watching the present conflict from the other side of the globe, Count Okuma, of Japan, is said to have declared it to mean the end of European civilization. The statisthe end of European civilization. The state-man seems to have implied that soon it would be as effete as that of ancient Baby-lon. In consonance with this judgment there comes the news from the lands of the ancient Babylonian kingdom that already steps have been taken which will render the once fertile soil of the Tigris and Euphrates the abiling place of a newer and better civilization. British engineers have com-pleted the work of throwing a barrage across the delta of the Tigris. Thus a relatively large area has been made fertile, and all the necessary cereals, poultry and dairy ar-ticles sufficient for supplying the entire Brit-th army are now produced on the spot. In this almost incredible message from Mesopotamia one is irresistibly reminded of the statement of Herodotus that the fertility of the river was such that it was called upon to furnish one-third of the total supplies me-oasary for the maintenance of the household and the armies of the great king --Christian

casary for the maintenance of the household and the armies of the great king -Christian Science Monitor

WHEN DAY IS DONE

L have catch a bain of spinach and kale. And ive never raised a rew. I have awallowed a can of mostaneed bran And feel like a brindle bow. I am taking a smack from the old havetack in the soid havetack in the soid havetack and the soid havetack

said that step forward and the entire com-pany stepped forward, and they all repeated, 'And a little child shall lead them.' The officer simply said. Diamise.' That same night when the orders for the following day were issued they read: There will be a thirty-five mile route march tomorrow, with full equipment, and a little child shall lead them—and on a damned good horse, too, "

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HOW TO, GET RICH

a recard dimner to business more the ques-was raised as to how people in Gormany ged to keep themselves alive by trade ground ing and importing was almost prohibited question soit the freqity. Oh the Gormans all runt: they trade among themselves." Twein used to tell a similar tole regarding atives of Bernuda. Some one put the ques-tion him and he replied. "Oh, they live by a home another's washing?" all righ

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nothing Finally he said: De rafest place to be in a Zepp raid an up in de Zepp ' 'In one of the training camps there was a young, a very young, officer, who réally looked as if he should still be wearing knee-trousers, and his company resented 'his youthfulness. One day when they were called up for inspection, just before being dismissed one of the soldiers said in a sar-castic tone of volce: 'And a little child shall lead them.' The officer said, 'The man who said that step forward' and the entire com-pany stepped forward, and they all repeated

third had been thinking hard nothing. Finally he said: 'De