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WHERE IS THE LEADER?

THERE is no secret about the reason for police conditions here. The voters themselves are responsible for them.

The whole city consented to the election of Mayor Smith. It was known at the time why he was nominated.

We are told now that the way to improve conditions is to get a new law passed, as though a few words printed on a piece of paper could change the purpose of this community.

But this is only a beginning. The late James J. Hill said not long before his death that the railroads needed \$1,000,000,000 a year for several years to put them in shape to serve the country.

Why did nobody ever call them dachnuns? Or did they?

STATUS AND STATUS FIXERS ONE of the first duties of Mr. Schwab, the official announcements say, will be to fix the status of Admiral Bowles at Hog Island.

CAN RUSSIA BE SAVED? GERMANY is not having its own way in Russia. The landing of British and French troops at Murmansk to co-operate with the Bolshevik forces in holding the railroad which touches the ice-free port of Kola, on the Arctic Ocean, indicates this.

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WHY I LOVE SHAKESPEARE

At the request of the Evening Public Ledger, Mr. Flaherty, distinguished lawyer of this city, has written for Shakespeare's 35th birthday this article about his favorite poet.

HAVING carried one or more volumes of Shakespeare with me every day for fifty years, I respond with pleasure to the editor's request to tell what Shakespeare has meant to me.

I am no trained scholar, nor have I had the privilege of talking with the great teachers who have made Shakespeare their life study.

I WAS thirteen years old, a boy at the old North-east Grammar School, when I first became interested in Shakespeare.

SOME of my friends smile at my Shakespearean passion and seem to think it a harmless kind of eccentricity.

I WAS admitted to the bar in December, 1874, and part of my working library from the first has been a complete Shakespeare.

I HAVE forty-two little vest-pocket volumes of Shakespeare; beautiful little books, not much more than an inch long.

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OUR OWN NURSERY RHYMES

WHEN Daddy comes home from the office Then Sarah and Peter and John Go hunt out the old pair of trousers

WHEN Daddy lies down he's enormous He is such a mountainous man! We hustle and hustle and tussle And climb to the top if we can.

WHEN Daddy is on the nursery floor, If it weren't for the trousers, the jolly old trousers.

DAD thinks that those trousers descended From some very old patriarch; He says they were carefully mended For Nigh to wear on the ark;

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TODAY'S USELESS QUESTION

Why do most of us wish to be called "old man" at twenty and, at fifty, to be hailed as "old boy"?

For Shame "Not young and beautiful women of all ages for the cause of Liberty."

When Texas Went Dry The movie people of Washington are trying to get a fifteen-cent coin minted.

What Do You Know? 1. Where is Rheims? 2. What is John Purroy Mitchell?

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LUDENDORFF'S REIGN OF TERROR

Civilians Acquitted of Charges of Treason Are Kept in Prison. Germany Ruled by the Military Powers

By B. F. KOSPOTH

UNDER existing conditions a march of several years in a German "Zuchthaus" is, as a matter of fact, synonymous with capital punishment.

Sometimes the German papers publish accounts of prisoners who, in the midst of their confinement, are allowed to see their families.

The incredible increase of crime in the great cities, and especially in Berlin, where, according to statistics published by the insurance companies, 300 burglaries are occurring daily, has been used by General von Kessel, the commander of the Brandenburg district, as a pretext to re-enforce the city police by military patrols.

THE real administrators of Germany today are the generals commanding the military districts of the empire, who take their orders from Ludendorff, and not the provincial authorities subordinate to the Chancellor.

Haywood Brown tells the story of a French fugitive who served the table when Marshal Joffre and General Pershing sat down to dinner together in France.