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If I can ease one life the aching, Or cool one pain, Or help one fainting robin, Unto his nest again, I shall not live in vain.

—EMILY DICKINSON.

AN ECONOMIC PROBLEM

ONE of the largest employers of labor in Dauphin county makes the statement that his chief difficulty now is the rum problem. He declares that his working forces are demoralized constantly by King Alcohol; and that it is impossible to keep them steadily at work.

FUEL ECONOMY

IN a recent summing up of the fuel situation, Professor Garfield reached the conclusion that there will be a shortage next winter, and his only remedy was stated in the sentence, "It is, therefore, apparent that the full requirements of coal cannot be filled, and the difference must be made up by voluntary or enforced curtailment in the use of fuel."

THE FOURTH OF JULY

THE spirit with which the foreign-born residents of Harrisburg and vicinity have fallen in with the Americanization parade idea was illustrated Tuesday evening when at a meeting of their representatives with the local committee they offered to hire bands and turn out in numbers that will make the parade the biggest in the history of the town.

WOMEN AS MAYORS

NO doubt woman suffragists will receive with delight the news which comes from Philadelphia that archeologists delving among the prehistoric tablets of the Hittites and the Cappadocians have discovered that women mayors were regularly constituted public officials in Asia Minor 5,000 years ago. But

a cheering note is added to the effect that there was a male mayor also and that the female mayor had a status quite independent of the male head of the municipality.

Most of us believe in woman having the right to vote, if they so desire. They do about everything else men do these days, including going to war and smoking cigars, so why not vote? But quite a few of us are still provincial enough to shrink from the thought of women as police captains, mayors, street commissioners and heads of fire departments. May be we'll get over it in time, but at present it seems that we are so "set in our ways" that we shall never be able to harmonize such jobs with womanly character.

SHOULD BE REVISED

CAPTAIN George F. Lumb, superintendent of the State Police, has warned automobilists that he has been instructed to cause the arrest of persons speeding on the highways of the State. Now it happens that "speeding" within the terms of the act under which we are operating, means anything above 24 miles an hour, which is the legal limit fixed by the Legislature.

SAVE THE GROUSE

ALL true sportsmen will rejoice that Dauphin county has joined many other counties in asking the State Game Commission to close its woods to the shooting of ruffed grouse for such a period of years as will enable this king of all game birds to increase its rapidly dwindling numbers.

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At all events, the Democratic State Committee appears to have been left high as well as "dry."

THE POWER OF LOVE

God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of sound mind.—II Timothy 1, 7.

Politics in Pennsylvania

Little question exists in the minds of men active in politics in Pennsylvania but that there will be a great measure of popular support for an improvement of the common law.

A Fanless Summer?

Among other things affected by the war is the palm leaf fan industry. The leaves from which the fans are made come from China, but cargo space is in such demand

Modesty of Jeremiah

Then said I, Ah, Lord God! behold I cannot speak: for I am a child.—Jeremiah 1, 6.

RUINS

They sat at supper in a shadowy room. "But you," she said, "you are an artist! You deplore this tearing down of all our dreams!

LLOYD GEORGE AND PEACE

The future must be a democratic one. The future of this land and of the British Empire has been committed to democracy already.

Fishworms and Pacifists

Don't be ashamed, little fishie worm, But open wide your doors, For the cowardly man who won't help Uncle Sam

A HANDY MAN AROUND THE HOUSE



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

GENESIS OF GERMAN EMPIRE To the Editor of the Telegraph: It seems that the German empire was conceived in iniquity and born in sin. How so? Well, the original Prussian states of which there was a large number made up simply a confederation.

Germany and Her Allies

(From the New York Times)

THE statesmen of the Entente Powers will not quarrel at all with the leading affirmations of Foreign Secretary von Kuehlmann in his latest speech to the Reichstag. Nobody asks or expects Germany to "bind herself to any pledges in regard to Belgium."

OUR DAILY LAUGH

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Evening Chat

Some of the residents of Harrisburg who bought the tropical plants known as elephant ears, mammoth ferns and palms at the sale of plants and flowers of the Capitol Park Conservatory yesterday preparatory to removal of the building to make room for the park improvements have elephants on their hands.

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HISTORIC HARRISBURG

Fifty-five years ago to-day Governor Curtin wrote his proclamation calling for volunteers to repel the army then in the Cumberland Valley.

PATRIOTISM IN VERBENA

Down in the little village of Verbena, Ala., sixty miles south of Birmingham, the church bell rings every evening at 8 o'clock and every village man comes to the church with head uncovered and reverently bowed, repeats the prayer, "God bless our President, our soldiers and the nation and guide them on to victory." They call it the "prayer of the bell."—San Francisco Argonaut.

UNTO THE PURE

Unto the pure all things are pure; but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving nothing is pure: but even their mind and conscience is defiled. They profess to know God, but in works they deny him.

