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No American Sympathy.

From the Philadelphia North American.

Prime Minister Salisbury in his speech at the Lord Mayor's banquet on Thursday night, speaking of the South African situation and the attitude of foreign nations toward England, said:

For several years our relations with and cordial feelings toward our kinsmen on the other side of the Atlantic have been constantly growing, and though we neither interfere in the affairs of their continent nor they interfere in the affairs of ours, we feel we can now always look for sympathy and a fair hearing among those who share with us so vast a mission for the advancement of mankind.

That is an echo of the English press, which after the tidings of each British defeat at the hands of the Boers has shed a few gentle tears of gratitude for the sympathy the disaster evoked from America. From what part of the United States these comforting expressions come has not been disclosed.

Lord Salisbury and our esteemed contemporaries of England deceive themselves or seek to deceive the English people. While it is quite true that a new feeling of friendliness for Great Britian has been developed here because of her attitude during our trouble with Spain, there should be no mistake about the view taken by the American people of the South African business. They sympathize heartly with the Boers—so heartily, indeed, that their victories have awakened more interest and given more pleasure by far than news of Filipino defeats and slaughters does.

Were Americans not to side with the Boers they would be false to the principles and traditions which are at the heart of our national life. Americans believe that men have a right to govern themselves, and always they have been warmly sympathetic with any people engaged in fighting for independence. It is monarchy against republic in South Africa: it is the strong against the weak, and Americans are with the weak and against monarchy in such a struggle.

Lord Salisbury may talk as largely as he likes about the "vast mission for the advancement of mankind," in which he is good enough to say we are going shares with England, but phrases are not so convincing as facts. And the cold fact is that England is on a robber raid in Africa—on a raid to destroy a people's liberty in order that she may at leisure plunder them of their gold and diamond mines in the interest of the European Jay Goulds and Collis Huntingtons, who have made so many millions out of the country that they are inflamed by their greed to demand it all.

No doubt in the long run civilization will be a gainer by the overthrow of the slowgoing Boers and their absorption or elimination. But the manner in which England is discharging this particular part of her "vast mission for the advancement of mankind," is as innocent of moral color as any freebooting exposition that was ever undertaken by the buccaneers of the Spanish main. She is a missionary in the same sense as is the trader who, by carrying rum to savages, kills them off and makes room for white men. It is not the improvement of the population by substitution that the trader is thinking of, but the profits on his rum.

Canting of noble purposes in order to cover sordid ones is not an exclusively British practice, but the English are adepts at it. Lord Salisbury's high language about a vast mission for the advancement of mankind does not delude anybody on this side of the Atlantic. There is war in the Transvaal because England has resolved to steal the country. Americans are grateful to Great Britain for her recent good will, but to ask in return that we shall applaud her brigandage in South Africa is to demand a price that Americans will not pay.

Forty inmates of the Ohio state prison have struck for shorter hours. Their demands have not been complied with, neither have they been informed that their services are no longer required.

HAWAII ANNEXED.

Its Remarkable Advance in Activity and Prosperity.

It is almost incredible to see what a substantial and rapid progress has been made throughout Hawaii since annexation to this country. Before annexation there was complete prostration of every kind. Now all is changed.

Much of the old poetic, picturesque life remains. The stalwart "Hawaiianess" goes her stately way clad in the flaming holoka which so becomes her, wreathed and crowned with leis; the street laborer and the train driver pursue their vocations also decorated with flowers. The sound of the paro patch tiddle still sounds through the groves of shadowy algaroba, and the strains of "Hawaii Ponoi" yet delight the heart. But with the old there is a new and virile Hawaii, the natural and inevitable successor of that which has served its time. Honolulu itself has changed astonishingly. Fine business blocks have already supplanted the old buildings and the others are in process of construction; the stores are crowded with the latest fashions in millinery and dry goods; in the fine, well-appointed book stores "David Harum," "The Rough Riders" and "Prisoners of Hope" are placed conspicuously on sale, while the windows are filled with wonderful photographs illustrating the recent overflow of Mauna Loa. In one street gangs of men are laying the track for a new rapid transit line to be operated by electricity; in others the new sewer is being constructed which, when completed, will make Honolulu one of the most sanitary cities in the world.

Real estate that was a drug on the market a year ago can hardly be bought now at any price. In the whole city and its environs there are hardly a dozen lots advertised for sale. Hundreds of houses have been built, many of them spacious and costly villas that are perched upon the lower slopes of the mountains, but still within the corporate limits of Honolulu. With these more ambitious dwellings are hundreds of cottages, not one of which is vacant, while those not yet completed have been bespoken for months. A new suburb, Pacific Heights, on the lower slope of Round Top, commanding a magnificent view of the city, the harbor and the ocean beyond, has been surveyed and plotted, and the streets are being rapidly opened. It will not be three years until this will be completely built up, with electric car lines, an abundant supply of water, and all the modern improvements of any metropolitan suburb. The electric light plant for the city itself has been greatly enlarged, so that even the large grounds and driveways, as well as the residences themselves, are brilliantly lighted.

Of course, the leading industry of the islands, sugar planting, has had an enormous stimulus, and people of moderate means have grown rich within the past year buying and selling stocks. New plantations are being opened up, with capitalizations running up into the millions. On those where irrigation is used the most costly and perfect machinery is employed—pumps that force a stream of water to the incredible height of six hundred feet—a thing hitherto believed to be impossible. This has redeemed the highlands which have been supposed to be unclaimable, and has added to the arable lands throughout the islands.

The yield has been almost doubled in the irrigated lands where cane culture is carried on in the most scientific manner.

Indeed, the sugar industry is hardly past its infancy, and the future of these great Hawaiian plantations can hardly be forecast. It has rather cast coffee growing in the shade, which is rather a pity, since no coffee in the world, not even that which passes for Mocha, can be compared in strength or flavor to the Kona coffee, indigenous to the islands. This, however, will improve, and no doubt, when the same energy and knowledge are brought to bear, coffee plantations will rival the cane fields. One difficulty has been that at least three years must elapse before capital invested in coffee yields any returns.

Furthermore, while the appropriations made by the Hawaiian legislatures two years ago will carry on the Government until January, 1900, should Congress have made no provision as to finances after that date the country will be placed in a very difficult position, for the United States will then be the legal custodian of public moneys and nothing can be paid without its sanction. And Congress should bear in mind when the cause of Hawaii comes up for consideration, that this is not a new possession acquired by the force of arms, but that it is territory that voluntarily sought annexation to the United States; that it voluntarily became a part of the Union, and that it cannot be ranked in the same category with the Philippines, Cuba or Porto Rico. It cause should have precedence over all the others, and there should be no delay in completing annexation, which exists, at present, only in the name, and makes itself felt, chiefly, through its custom house officials.

At present, there is no place for unskilled labor or for men without capital. There have been pitiable cases, and many of them, of men without means or trade who have come out to the islands to become a public charge; who have spent their small savings and who have had to be sent back, destitute and disheartened. Men who have sufficient capital and some calling in wait one or two years, will do well, no doubt, when they finally find their place; but there is little or no chance for any others. It requires no great power of prophecy to forecast the future of this favored land. Within twenty years it will be a paradise, crowded with happy homes, every foot of its fertile soil under cultivation, and here at the convergence of steamship routes from Australia, the Orient, the Nicaraguan Canal and the Pacific coast, will rise a city fair to look upon and great in its extent and in its wealth. All the influences that promise such results have now been set in motion, and the industries from which its wealth is already and will continue to be derived are staple necessary commodities, that supply a demand in the ports, not only of our own country, but of all Christendom.

Gumbo soup is okra soup, the Southerners call okra gumbo.

The Narragansett Indians had a dish called m'sickquatash, which we have borrowed and named succotash.

The Inventor.

A Missourian has designed a combination of shovel, poker and tongs in one implement for fire-place use, the poker having a pair of lugs, which carry it in a slot in the shovel handle, to extend over the blade and form the tongs.

Broken umbrella ribs are easily repaired by a Canadian's invention, consisting of a tubular section of metal, having its interior shaped to fit the rib, with set screws in one side to be tightened and grip the broken end of the rib.

For holding conductor's checks on car seats a new device is composed of a small magnet secured to the side of the car or on the seat, while each check has a small strip of metal at one end which is attracted by the magnet.

Dust and cinders are prevented from blowing into the car windows by the use of a new guard, which is designed to be placed between the sill and the raised sash, and extend out from the side of the car far enough to shield the opening.

Two Chicago men have patented a shield for pneumatic tires which will protect the tire from punctures, the tread being flat and extending beyond the air chamber on each side, with a metallic strip inserted in a slit formed in the face of the tread.

Cattle are prevented from getting on the railroad tracks at grade crossings by a new guard, which is formed of zig-zag plates, bolted to the ties to form ridges and depressions parallel with the ties, with sharp spikes set vertically on the plates.

To add to the comfort of bicycling a spring attachment has been patented, which is inserted in the rear fork, with a centre rod in each fork engaging the hub connection, the springs holding the rods down and lessening the shock and jar to the rider.

For use in mortising holes in doors for the insertion of locks, etc., a new boring tool has a series of cutting bits set in sockets in a frame, with gear wheels connecting the sockets to revolve all the bits by connecting a brace to one bit and turning it.

Broken rudders on ships at sea can be replaced by a Canadian's temporary steering device, which comprises a set of brackets shaped to fit portions of the hull, with guy ropes for holding them in position, the rudder frame being carried by the brackets.

Parcels can be attached to bicycles without the necessity of tying by the use of a Pennsylvanian's device, a bracket being clamped to the frame under the saddle to carry a pair of curved spring forks, which press against the rear fork to grip the package.

A resident of New Zealand has invented a thimble which has a section at the tip recessed to contain a small hook with a sharp blade set in the bottom of the recess to sever a thread when picked up by the hook, making a handy device for a seamstress.

Vegetables can be rapidly sliced or mashed by a newly designed cutter, having a hopper resting over a set of knives carried by a base, with a lever mounted on one side of the base to depress a plunger in the hopper and force the vegetables between the cutters.

A combination couch and chair has been designed, having the seat portion double, and the upper section hinged to the lower to turn outward and be supported by the arms, while the hinged back is lowered into a horizontal position and rests on two folding legs.

Loaves of bread can be kept fresh for some time by a Boston man's patent package, which is made of waxed paper or other air and waterproof material, the bread being placed in the package and sealed up while the loaf is at a temperature of about 90 degrees.

A new tethering device allows animals to feed over a large area without incumbering them with a long rope to entangle their feet, a long rod being fastened at one end to a stake, with supporting wheels on the rod, which allows it to be drawn around by the animal.

An interchangable billiard-cue tip has been patented, which is formed of a button with an eyelet in the rear, the tip of the cue being slotted and containing a hook rod operated by a cam lever to engage the eye of the tip and draw it tight against the end of the cue

The Cynic.

Even the worm will turn—perhaps into a butterfly.

When marriage is a failure the husband sometimes liquidates.

The man who has no price is the only one really worth buying.

A woman never forgives a man his failure to ask to be forgiven.

When a man is riding a hobby it's always a good plan to give him the road.

Some feminine matchmakers seem to make a specialty of friction matches.

It's a sad blow to the boxer when the boxoffice receipts fail to pan out.

Art may be long at times, but it's usually too short to make both ends meet.

Too much of the repentance nowadays is done in broadcloth and ashes of roses.

Some people are inclined to mind their own business, but lack the ability to do so.

We will soon begin to hear of "draft riots," caused by people failing to shut the door.

Although a man may acknowledge he has faults he seldom owns up to those his friends accuse him of.

It may be cowardly to kick a man when he's down, but it's sometimes necessary in order to get him up.

The Classic.

Manners easily and rapidly mature into morals.—Horace Mann.

It is not alone what we do, but also what we do not do for which we are accountable.—Moliere.

Zeal is very blind, or badly regulated, when it encroaches upon the rights of others.—Pasquier Quesnel.

I love to lose myself in other men's minds. When I am not walking, I am reading. I cannot sit and think. Books think for me. I have no repugnances. Shaftesbury is not too genteel for me, nor Jonathan Wild too low.—Lamb.

Wit, like every other power, has its boundaries. Its success depends on the aptitude of others to receive impressions; and that as some bodies, indissoluble by heat, can set the furnaces and crucible at defiance, there are minds upon which the rays of fancy may be pointed without effect, and which no fire of sentiment can agitate or exalt.—Johnson.

VICTORIA'S TROUBLES.

Pa Knows All About Them And Tells His Son.

"That's whare Bein a quean Has its Disadvantige," paw sed yisterdy nite after He kicked the pupp out the Back Door fer chewin up the parler curtens.

"Whare?" maw ast.

"Look at Will Hell Meeny," paw says. "If she wasen't no quean she mite Have a Bow to come around Every nite and Stay fer Dinner on Sundys like other gurls, and they could Set in the parler with the lites out after the Rest of the Folks Had went to Bed and Talk about the War in Africky and the Alasky boundary and expanshun and all them kind of Things and Thay wouldn't be nobuddy But her muther lisenen at the key Hole. But bein a quean she can't Have none of them Kind of pleasures. She Has to Do all Her Luv makin Out in the Open whares the Ministers of State kin keep watch. It's a Good Deal Like if I was goin to By a Horse. I would go Down to the Horse market and thay would bring out the Horses thay Had in Stock and I would Look Them over and axamun thare Teath to See if enny of Them would Do. That's the way the Quean Hast to find a Husbend. I spose you red about Her Goin to Germunny to Hunt one, Diden't you?"

"No," maw says, "I Bin too Bizzy puttin up peaches to keep track of all Them affares. What's Happened so fur?"

"Well," Pa told Her, "She ain't had mutch Luck yit. When she Got thare they were a Lot of princes on Hand, But they was Sumthing the matter with neerly all of Them. One was Loosen his Hare and One had fits, and anuther Didn't Have no Grammer, and the next one Didn't Have a manly chest what She oculd lean on in Times of trubble, and So when She Looked Them over she Shook her hed and sed: 'No, maw, none of these Boys Can sine with me, Becoz thare Batten averidges ain't enny good.'

"The hole trubble," paw says, "is That the Quean has a Feller picked out what she wants, and her Folks is agin Him."

"Who is that?" maw ast.

"It's the Prince of Weeds," paw told Her. "His fawther is a Justice of the piece in Sum Township Over thare, But thay can't afford to keep only one Gurl so thay ain't in Hi society."

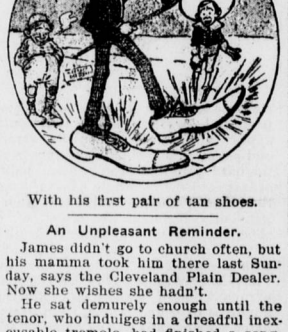
"Well, the Quean has plenty of munny, and could give Him sum kind of a political Job whare He could Have a Good Sallery and Go Huntin and Fishen whenever He wanted to, couldn't she?' maw ast

"Oh, yes," paw says, "But you see Thay always Haft to Keep Thinkin about Future generasshuns over in Them Countries. The Quean, poor Gurl, knows she Hast to Be a muther sum Day, and it Would Be turrable Hewmillyaten for Her to Haft to tell Her oldest Boy when she was Bringin Him up to be King that his fayther was Some cheap skait without the Rite Brand of blud in His vains, that she married jist Becoz he was a gentelmun and a skoller. What anser could she Give the poor child when he Burst into teers and ast why she ronged Him that way By not Takin a Prince of the Blud to Be his fawther even if He did were a number five Hat and call all the acktresses around the cort Theater Bi thare front name?"

"My! I don't no," maw says.

"No, you Bet you don't," paw told Her. "You Don't no nawthin that you always ot to keep posted about. Wimmin would Be Fine people to Go out and vote, Wouldent thay?"—Chicago Times-Herald.

How Some People Feel.



With his first pair of tan shoes.

An Unpleasant Reminder.

James didn't go to church often, but his mamma took him there last Sunday, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. Now she wishes she hadn't.

He sat demurely enough until the tenor, who indulges in a dreadful inexcusable tremolo, had finished a song. Then he spoke up.

"Mamma," he asked, in a thrill whisper, "what makes the man's voice shake so?"

"Hush, dear," said mamma. "I don't know."

"But, mamma," the little scamp persisted in a still louder whisper, "you know when papa's voice shook the other night you said it was beer."

And that's why Jamie's church privileges have been shut off.

Not the Right Way.

"Here's a story of a New Haven Italian," he said, "who has bought seven wives at 30 cents each, and now makes them do all his farm work."

"Outrageous!" she exclaimed. "The idea of buying wives for 50 cents each!"

"It does seem wrong," he admitted. "What he ought to do is to get them for nothing, and then put in the rest of his life trying to make enough money to keep them the way more civilized men do."—Chicago Post.

Making Headway.

The Missionary—My erring brother, have you been Christianized?

Native—Not completely. They have gobbled all my land, but I still have my few clothes.—Indianapolis Journal.

Uncle Bill's Ideas.

Full many a woman would not blush unseen.

Too much forwardness often keeps a bright boy back.

Some light-hearted women can make biscuits as heavy as lead.—Cleveland Leader.

NO SENTIMENT.

But The Tailor Gave a Pointer As to Pockets.

"Married or unmarried?" asked the measurer in a tailoring establishment of a customer.

"Unmarried," replied the young man, with a blush.

"Inside pocket on the left side, then," observed the tailor, as if talking to himself, while in the memorandum book on the counter he made a note to that effect

After the young man had departed I could not refrain from the query:

"What difference does his being single make in his inside vest pockets?"

"Ah, my dear sir," observed the knight of the thread and needle, with a bland smile, "all the difference in the world. Being unmarried, he, of course, wants the pocket on the left side, so as to bring his sweetheart's picture over his heart."

"But doesn't a married man want his wife's picture in the same place," inquired the scribe.

"Well, there may have been an instance of that kind," replied the tailor, in a doubtfully hesitant tone of voice, "but I must confess that such a one never came under my observation."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

How Some People Feel.

With the girl who has rejected him.

He Wouldn't Break His Record.

"Yes, Maria called the tramp into the kitchen and gave him a good dinner."

"Was he grateful?"

"Maria thought he was—at first. You probably know that she prides herself on her baking. Well, the tramp picked up the loaf she gave him, pinched it, tossed it in the air, smelled of it, and said, in an estatic way, 'I must say I never ate such bread as that!' Then he slowly added, 'And I don't mean to break my record now. Gimme some 'pie an' cake."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Another Tragic Episode.

"Miss Giggins," said the young man with the obtrusive hatband, "were you ever engaged"—

"Mr. Scadson!" she exclaimed, as she blushed a rosy red and sighed. "You have no right to ask such a question unless—unless"—

"I merely desired to know," he went on in a cruel, monotonous voice, "if you were ever engaged in conversation with Prof. Fossil. He's a wonderfully brainy man—you ought to talk to him."—Washington Star.

Boston's Old Way.

In Boston, Mass., people were felicitating a young person upon her approaching marriage.

"He's a fine catch!" they exclaimed, in delicate compliment of her future husband.

"Oh, a veritable cod!" she replied with considerable enthusiasm, and then blushed deeply to think how very boastful that must sound.—Detroit Journal.

One on Papa.

"I wonder why it is,' said the proud father, "that Willie has suddenly developed a preference for saying his prayers to me."

His wife laughed scornfully.

"He knows you can't correct him if he makes a mistake or cuts them short," said she.

Giving an Opinion.

Ikey—Vot is der pest peezness to go into, fader?

Fader—Vell, choost at bresent, I t'ink it vos bolttics.—Puck.

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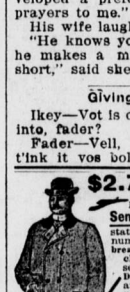

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