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PRESENT DAY THOUGHTS.

BY "NEMO."

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Shall we continue along the line of the closing thought of last week's letter? It was that the end of the war will leave us with a very much extended horizon of duty and opportunity and temptation. It is with us, as with the mountain climber, that the upward step shows us what we had not seen before. As I pointed out some weeks ago, the selfish motive that impelled us to interfere with Spain, was in advance of anything we had yet attempted in exemplifying the Golden Rule; and it would have been strange indeed, if it had failed to return with interest to the great, kindly national heart.

But we are hereafter to be more closely watched by the great nations of the earth, no longer with mere curiosity and idle surmises as to the durability of our experiment in self-government. The future will have in it for them a lingering fear as to what the years to come conceal of impulsive action on our part, and of real danger to the nations that have hitherto known us only in distant fashion. From being a remote and unarmed nation whose governmental vagaries could be smiled at, and whose boastful vapourings could be despised, we are transformed into an essential instrument in the great concert of nations.

Our temptation will be to play our part in that concert, guided by the actions of those to our right or to our left, instead of by the motions of the great conductor before whom the greatest nations are merely.

"Valiant dust that builds on dust." Our temptation will be to plume ourselves on fighting ability, and interpret it into a guarantee of permanency; measuring ourselves foolishly by the standards of other nations that have risen by material things, lived by them and perished by them. Higher thought is needed now than for our beloved nation to

—put her trust In reeking tube and iron shard." Our temptation will be to lean on armies and navies and call them safety. Yet, guilting ourselves by our opponent we see that Spain shows these things to be of little moment unless backed by a high purpose. History is proof that the least of all things for a nation to trust in is force that is physical instead of moral and mental. To make national power as vanishing as a sand rampart in the rising tide, let us put our whole trust in rifles that repeat, and in iron castles that float.

Our temptation will be to descend to the aggrandising methods of less compact nations—to take a hand in the game of "grab"—and call it statesmanship; unmindful that a "far-flung battle-line" thinz out energy and makes wounding easy. This will be our strongest temptation; but to yield to it will make us untrue to the motive that first impelled us, and will justify the doubts of some of the European nations regarding the nobility of our aim.

These are some of thy temptations; O, nation that has been led up into an exceedingly high place! The world with all its glory lies beneath. If hungry, thou hast it in thy power to stoop and eat the bread of pride that satisfieth not. Or there is for thee devotion to the sublime consciousness of being set for moral leadership in a world that is still too material and too selfish for full appreciation of the demands of a century yet to come.

Our new opportunities will be reversals of our temptations. It is ours to refuse imitation of the untrue, trivial evil doings of neighbors whose moral education has been less than our own. We are neither new England, Germany, nor new Ireland, nor new Russia, nor new France, and none of these can expect to find counterpart in us. Though they all go to the making of us, we are not copies of them any more than the child reproduces in his appearance the bread, and milk, and potatoes, etc., that he has devoured. We are old-fashioned enough to believe that we are what we are, by the grace of God, a nation with an individuality peculiar to itself, made by the experiences it has encountered. From the homes of our toilers, in field and in factory; from the patient hearts of mothers and the strong efforts of our men may go up a harmony that will be our contribution to the concert of the Lord of Hosts. "Righteousness exalteth a nation."

Our opportunity is to show that we find no occasion for boasting, no matter how great our contribution to the cause of human liberty. It is ours to show a national belief in the greatness of humility. It is ours to live out this belief so effectually that others whose opportunities for a great unselfish act

have been rarer, may not from our mouthings grow either discouraged or disgusted.

Our opportunity is to show that we are not growing material in our standards of value. It is ours to declare that the expediency of gain is less to be considered than propriety of action; that what is morally wrong cannot be nationally right; that it is better to be right than to be powerful; but better still to be powerful and right. Furthermore it is ours to declare that our only light is for the clearing out of dark places of ignorance in order to let in a great light of a new liberty; that we shall not seek to extend our domain by any method that partakes of trickery; that we shall, only so long as is necessary for their permanent independence retain our hold upon the lands we free; and finally that we shall not forget our natal declaration regarding the consent of the governed as the base of government.

These times are big with fate. Generations of men yet unborn, will arise to praise or condemn us, according to whether we take action that disintegrate or bind together. Next week let us in kindly spirit, discuss the Anglo-American alliance question.

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STATE CREEK.

The Children's Day exercises at the Johnson school house last Sunday was a success.

Small grain never looked any more promising at this time of the season than it does at present.

We are having a lot of rain in this part and should it continue wet a week or ten days more the farmers would have a time cleaning their corn.

Isaac Grewell, a former resident of this place but now residing out west telegraphed his boys the other day that little Pearl was not expected to live.

Grass is going to be extra again this year. Pastures never were better in June, and meadows would do to mow now. In some places they would be glad to have such a cut.

A fruit tree agent came in here last week representing the Fairbury, Nebraska nurseries, and carried off more orders than was ever known to be taken in this vicinity in one day. And this is no country for fruit.

Several of the Mt. Hope Sunday school attended the children's day picnic or basket meeting last Sunday in the grove near Mr. Myers' and had a splendid time. Their program was good and well carried out. The choir and organist deserve credit, and two of the young men who delivered their pieces so well, Mr. Mays and Mr. Castell, would be hard to excel. Mrs. Vandervort's class of sixteen did extra well and so did her other class that came out with their lettered boards of explanation.

OCCASIONAL.

Kidney and Bladder Troubles.

If you suffer from kidney, bladder or urinary troubles, or from too frequent or scanty urine, Dr. Fenner's Kidney and Backache Cure is what you want. Bed-wetting by children is generally cured by one bottle of this powerful remedy. Testimonials are disregarded many people doubting the honesty or sincerity of them, we therefore avoid giving any here, but will furnish them on application to dealer whose name is given below. If not satisfied after using one bottle your money will be refunded by C. L. Cotting.

Real Estate Transfers.

Real estate transfers for the week ending June 22, 1898, furnished by the Fort Abstract Co., L. H. Fort, Manager, Red Cloud, Neb. T. P. Resshaw to Chamberlain Bridge Co., ne4, 11 1/2 12, q. e. d. \$2500 00 L. D. Wells, sheriff, to Connecticut Trust & Safe Deposit Co., ne4, 30 1-12, s. d. 2450 00 Mary A. Miller to Mary H. Parker, lots 10 and 11, block 2, Richardson's add to Red Cloud, w. d. 500 00 Iowa Newcomer to Peter Nelson, ne4, 11 3 1/4, w. d. 1600 00 Henry Conrad to Elizabeth White, lots 11 and 12, block 3, LeDuc's add to Red Cloud, w. d. 800 00 State of Nebraska to G. A. Latta, ne4, 16 2 10, deed. 280 00 Total. 8810 00

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CHURCH NOTES.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Services each Lord's Day as follows: Morning service at 10:30. Subject, "Anti-Christ Religions, No. 1." Bible school, 12 m. Junior Christian Endeavor 3 p. m. Senior Christian Endeavor 7:15 p. m. Evening service at 8:00. Subject, "Beyond the Screen of the Future." (Illustrated.) Prayer meeting and bible study on Wednesday evenings. Ladies' Aid Society Friday afternoons. State convention meets at Beatrice June 28 to July 3. Our pleasant church home and all services are ever open to the public. L. A. HUSSONG, Pastor.

METHODIST

Services next Sunday as follows: Morning service at 10:30. Sunday School at 11:30 a. m. Junior League at 4 p. m. Senior League at 7 p. m. Evening service at 8 o'clock. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30. Ladies Aid Society Friday afternoon. All are most cordially invited to attend. JAMES MARK DARBIE, Pastor.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Services next Sunday as follows. Morning services at 10:30. Subject, "Man's Controversy With God." Sunday School at 11:45. Juniors meeting at 3 p. m. Young People's Union meets at 7 p. m. Evening service at 8 o'clock. Subject, "The Lawyer's Temptation." All cordially invited. Seats free. ISAAC W. EDSON, Pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL.

Regular services next Sunday as follows: Morning service at 10:30 a. m. Sermon by Rev. G. W. Mitchell of Franklin, followed by communion. Sunday School at 11:45. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 7 p. m. Evening sermon at 8 p. m., conducted by Rev. Mitchell. Friday, July 1, at 3 p. m. regular quarterly business meeting of the church. All cordially invited to attend these services. FRANK W. DEAN, Pastor.

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Red Cloud Market Report.

Table listing market prices for Hogs, Butcher's Stock, Fat Cattle, Wheat, Corn, Oats, Barley, Eggs, Butter, Ducks and Geese, Chickens.

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Disregard of Pension Laws.

J. H. Galloway, special examiner of the United States pension bureau at Washington, was here the first of the week. While here he called at this office and requested that the following in regard to the execution of pension vouchers be published for the benefit of pensioners, to avoid irregularities:

DEPT. OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF PENSIONS, WASHINGTON, D. C.

SIR—Recent investigations had by this bureau to ascertain the methods employed by public officials in executing pension vouchers, has demonstrated almost entire disregard for the laws and regulations governing the subject. It is clearly evidenced that the illegal, lax, indifferent and perfunctory procedure now extant has become a menace to the proper and safe conduct of the affairs of this bureau, so far as it relates to the payment of pensions, and special efforts are contemplated to correct the existing abuses.

While it is believed that many officials who assist in the execution of pension vouchers have no conception of their criminal liability in the premises, it is equally certain that many others to secure an advantage in the numerical number of clientele, knowingly and willfully resort to violations of the law.

To the end that the former class may profit by this notice, this circular is issued.

There can be no justification in the prevalent haste and laxity existing in many offices, by which post-dating, false certification, false claim and "stock" witnesses have become a factor in the administration and acknowledgment of pension vouchers.

It is the intention of this bureau, where the facts warrant such action, to institute criminal proceedings against the parties who indulge in these illegal and irregular practices and they are warned accordingly.

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H. CLAY EVANS, Commissioner.

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