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Remember to make it safe and sane.

Government by assassination is the worst of

It takes a lot of oil to keep the Niagara Falls flowing peacefully.

Bloody footprints figure in a New England murder mystery. Call the bloodhounds.

Chicago's boom for white suits for men may be only another way of taunting Pittsburgh.

When may the country expect the explanation of Mr. Bryan's explanation of his Colomblan treaty?

With Villa a safe distance away, Senor Carranza in a banquet speech, refers to the Judases in the camp.

The aged Francis Joseph's life visualizes the force of the saying, "Uneasy lies the head that wears the crown."

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight." A good prayer for good folk.

Oh, yes, there are a lot of honest lawyers, but as a rule they do not take the housetops to defend the crooked lawyers.

... Carranza is accused of trying to scuttle the good ship "Friendship." At that, he ing to do any more than a lot of others.

"All evil is the result of the violation of sex laws," says a social reformer, while the prohibitionist lays it all to old John Barleycorn. Every one to his hobby,

The beauty about the average movie is that, no matter how fierce the tragedy, everything comes out all right in the end, with the hero or the heroine on top.

It is certainly tough on a public utility corporation when it has to boost its valuation for rate-making at the same moment it is trying to reduce it for taxation.

It does not take a prophet nor the son of a prophet to foresee the troubles bound to befall Austria the moment the aged Emperor Francis Joseph vacates his throne.

Gifford Pinchot's endorsement of his brother's attack on George W. Perkins tends to complicate the situation all the more. Two of the unafraid men are yet to be heard from, Boss Flinn and Francis Heney. What say they?

While President Wilson almost accuses of crime business men who write to members of congress protesting against his administration measures, Secretary Bryan calls upon all his Commoner readers to write letters that will bring pressure for their enactment. But, of course, the White House right hand does not know what the left hand is doing.



ton to Joseph France of the Ogalalla Land and Cattle company by some of his associate cattle kings. The other guests were August Richards, president of the company, and A. H. Swan, W. A. Paxton, P. Her, Z. Tomason, G. H. Donnelly and Robert Urq-

Dr. Ewing Brown was out on the streets for the first time since his siege of illness.

Lessons in painting and drawing will be given in the high school building by Mrs. L. Schulze, 2023.

Thomas J. Cummings, the new city marshal, was presented with a beautiful gold police badge by the members of the force D. D. Ball, the old deputy United States marshal,

came to Omaha to take his family with him to

Kearney county. Edwin Davis has associated himself with the real estate firm of Bedford & Sauer, which will hence forth be known as Bedford, Sauer & Davis.

The announcement is made that after August 16 the Chicago Incandescent Light company will supply incandescent lamps at less than gas.

Considerable complaint is made because the Union Pacific ball club does not bring anything to this city but scrub nines. "It is very little, amusement to bring people to the ball park to see a game of it

The marriage of L. W. Buell of Oakland, and Miss Teckla Karbach, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Karbach, was performed by Rev. J. S. DetSauce for Goose is Sauce for Gander.

It is very plain that our democratic friends in Nebraska are having all sorts of trouble keeping peace in the family. The principal party oracle devotes two columns of its precious editorial space to an attempt to pour oil upon the ruffled waters and to coax back onto the reservation those who are saying they will not play there if certain objectionable mischiefmakers are not kept out and punished for their misdeeds. "There is room enough for all!" shouts the peace-maker, and adds the lugubrious warning, "Every one of them is needed. There are no democrats whom the party can afford to throw over the transom merely because they supported this candidate or that candidate once upon a time, or because they believe local option preferable to county or state prohibition,

or vice versa. We need them all." Far be it from us to except to the logic of this forceful advice to democrats, but what's sauce for goose is sauce for gander. The admonition directed to the democrats applies with equal fitness to the republicans of Nebraska. Factionalism means division and division means weakness, while getting together means union, and in union there is strength. It can be truly said for Nebraska republicans that if the party is wisely led and wisely managed, it will invite into one common fold all who fought under the republican banner in previous successful political battles and avoid injecting into its platform minor issues on which the rank and file are known to be sharply divided.

The Assassination.

Assassination of official heads, whether of republics or empires, is most deplorable as viewed in the light of a blow at constituted authority. As by a well known principle of science, no two objects can occupy the same space at the same time, so anarchy and government cannot exist equally together. The grief of Austria-Hungary, therefore, is the common sorrow of all people and nations ruled by law and the violent deaths of Franz Ferdinand, heir to the throne, together with that of his morganatic wife, but another tribute now and then exacted of this supreme law by bloody-handed anarchy.

Ferdinand is described as a man of bitter enemies and arduous friends, evidently a man of strength. His murder is deeply mourned by the people of his country, but of the long line of such tragedies in the last sixty years of Austria's history none occasioned as deep and widespread sorrow as that of Elizabeth, wife of the present emperor. This occurred at the hands of an Italian anarchist at Geneva, in September, 1898, the emperor's son, Rudolph, having met a simtlar death only nine years before, which made the man who has just been killed heir presumptive.

Modern history records nothing equal to the blood-stained rule of Francis Joseph, who ascended the Austrian throne in December, 1848, amid turmoil and strife, which threatened the dissolution of the empire. His brother, Archduke Francis-the weak emperor Ferdinand, having abdicated-waived his right to the crown and Francis Joseph claimed it. On down through the turbulent years that followed, distinguished by the dualistic reconstruction of the monarchy, the Seven Weeks' war with Prussia, the conflict with France and Sardinia, assassination has stalked through Austria like an Knox who gave the Roosevelt administraavenging Nemesis, but steadily forward has gone tion all the good things that will go down in history. They also kept him the dual empire under the stimulus of a strong hand at Vienna. Indeed, none but a strong band could have done for Austria-Hungary what Francis Joseph, now 84 years old, has done, that, too, in face of the greatest obstacles, almost interminable, with which any modern sovereign has had to contend. If the bullet that ended the life of Ferdinand had taken the emperor's as some bullets in the past have attempted-it would have left the nation prosperous and enlightened, for in these sixty-five years Francis Joseph has led it to great material, as well as political advancement.

Secret Sessions in Peril.

Senator Stone's outburst in defense of the secret session in senastorial affairs seems like a rare bit of satire in view of the ante-election plea of the president and some of his partisans for light as the democratic panacea for the ills of governmental conduct. "Let There Be Light," wrote Woodrow Wilson in "The New Freedom." Now comes the Missouri senator to heap anathemas on the heads of unfaithful senators who disclose what goes on behind closed doors with respect to the people's business.

It is possible to conceive of situations requiring a degree of secretiveness, but nevertheless the spectacle of democrats fighting for the star chamber is, in view of the party's campaign slogan for light and publicity, more or less interesting. It is one thing to preach the doctrine of doing the public's business all out in the open, another to practice it.

No Time for Jingoism.

Americans need not be disturbed over reports of anti-American bitterness on the part of Japanese newspapers, so long as the government at Tokio remains true to its determination to co-operate with the United States toward a mutually satisfactory solution of the issues pending between us. Nor are we justified in becoming excited over Japan's renewal of the agitation for a settlement of the Pacific coast problems, since the latest Japanese note on the subject, which was received almost a year ago, continues to lie in our State department unanswered. Without criticizing their own government, Americans will admit that if they were in Japan's place they might feel like insisting on some sort of an answer now.

So, let us make sure that the time for jingoism is not at hand. Both governments officially have pledged themselves in mutual good faith and feeling to a just and equitable settlement of these questions. That should be sufficient. Both governments are to be taken at their word: both have all to gain from continued amicable relations. Of course, the issue may continue to present difficulties, but not impossibilities. It does not warrant the jingoistic assumption of a Japanese-Mexican collusion against the United

Not the least of Mexico's misfortunes comes from lying so close to the United States and thus offering such strong temptation to our cupidinous money magnates.

Once more to the reckless autoist: Slow up, and if in doubt, come to a full stop.



Rejef contributions on timely topics invited. The Bee assumes no responsibility for opinions of correspondents. All letters subject to condensation by editor.

Letters of a Political Heathen-

SOMEWHERE, June 29.-To the Editor of The Bee: The Spanish were the first to arrive on the coast of Mexico. They took possession of the harbor, the fortress of San Juan De Ullos and the city of Vers. Crus. This action appears to have excited the jealousy of the French who, along with the English, arrived later. The Spanish were commanded by General Prim, afterward the martyr of the short-lived Spanish republic. The English were led by Captain Duniop, R

The French commander was Francis Achilles Bazaine, the most infamous name in French history, a name thatdespite the Sisyphean labors of his apologists- will be tripled with that of Judas Iscariot and that of Benedict Arnold until the last decade of recorded time. He was a fit servant of an infamous master, just the man to do the dirty work of Louis Bonaparte. But, in the words of Junius, treachery itself could not trust him. There was, at that time, no cable under the sea; consequently ministers, admirals and generals could not receive cipher messages from their respective governments. But the English and Spanish commanders were men of honor and intelligence. Miramon appeared at Vera-Cruz, Dunlop promptly arrested the scoundrel and deported him to Havana, as the robber of the English embassy Your readers will recall the incident related in the previous letter. The appearance of Almonte and Padre Miranda -two stormy petrels, political opponents of President Juarez-and their reception by the French, against the protest of Dunlop and Prim, opened the eyes of these honorable men. Without awaiting instructions from home, they quit the country and left the future traitor of Metz to his own wits and resources. Louis Bonaparte had shown his hand.

Would Name It the Perkins Party. LINCOLN, June 29 .- To the Editor of The Bee: I suggest that in the future we name the progressive party, "The George W. Perkins Party." This fall will convince some that it was Perkins' money that gave it life and kept Teddy on the ticket. Now that some of those who did think it was demanded to correct some errors, are seeing why and who

I hope Roosevelt will run for governor of New York. Perkins and all the money he can put up will never carry New York If Roosevelt runs I want the republicans to put up Elihu Root and show him, Roosevelt, that we mean to hold him responsible for the defeat in 1912. won't dare meet Root in joint debate. Then when 1916 comes around let us again call Root to lead the republican national

By that time Wilson will have fallen out with Bryan and Clark and perhaps himself gone to sleep, at least the country will decide they want a change and knowing just where to find us, they, the people, will ask us to once more take up the broken pieces and put them in proper shape for use again. Elihu Root knows bow to do it. It was Root, Taft and from going onto the rocks many times. Root would make a grand president. Gee, how other nations would look up to him because they know he knows.

Under these prospects, only two years away, do you suppose for a moment the thinking people of New York are going to let the George W. Perkins party come in and take the bakery?

C. S. HAMMOND.

Suffrage. Preachers, Women COUNCIL BLUFFS. June 29 .- To the Editor of The Bee: What is the matter with Father John Williams and the others that took part in a late anti-suff meeting in Omaha, an account of which is given under the head of "Woman No Better Than Man?" The relative number of the sex in penal institutions the country over gives the lie to this proposition One is reported as saying, "Women are like pricata. When a priest falls he falls lower than a layman, and when a woman falls she falls lower than a man, never to recover." Having for many years occupied a position that competied me to deal with all kinds of criminals I never found a woman fallen so low but a male creature considerably lower was ready to live on the price of her shame, and I have known a number of recoveries. How far a priest could fall if he tried I will not attempt to say.

Father Williams says he would give his head, heart, hands and both feet for suffrage if he thought it would uplift womanhood. Here the reverend father is of his base. It is man that needs uplifting; and women don't need your head, heart, hands or feet, as they have better ones of their own.

I am not in favor of female suffrage, as it would add one more burden to our women, nor do I believe they would have asked it if men had done their whole duty; and if politics are dirty it is man that made it so.

He says the suff revolution in England has even taken the form of revolt against the church. All right, that needs shaking Women should invade the pulpit in place of forever cooking and washing dishes for church suppers to support well fed preachers, and the question "Why don't the men attend church"" would be answered. The front seats would be filled with gray-halred sinners, and I am not sure but I would be among them. H. H. PIELD.

Question of Spelling. OMAHA, June 38.-To the Editor of The Bee: Please find attached two clippings from The Omaha Bee of this date. In one Fontanelle appears and in the other Fontenelle. Which is right. Kindiy satisfy me and many hundreds of others. It seems to me that a million dollar hotel should be correctly named. I maintain that Fontanelle is right and Fontenelle wrong and ridiculous. I also notice two firms spelling Arctic, Artic. INQUIRER.

Note: While good authority supports both, Fontenelle seems to be the now generally accepted spelling. It seems that everybody is his own phonetic speller these days.

> A Gay Deceiver. Pittsburgh Dispetch.

Mount Lassen, which was noticed a few lays ago as the active volcano of the Continental United States, turns out on investigation to have only been a geyser. This leaves the country destitute of true volcance until some obliging peak blows out its craters and covers the surrounding country with lava.

Valuations

Explanation of This Confusing Subject by a Practical Engineer.

Get Away from Technical Terms.

This subject is much simplified when put upon a strictly business basis and discussed in every day language, or in other words, separated as far as possible from technical terms and ambiguous phrases. Legal technicalities and precedents, too, have involved it into an almost hopeless indefiniteness, but there is no good reason but custom, and that is not a good reason, for its being any longer construed or influenced by these precedents which were really based upon an incomplete and sometimes blased presentation of the evidence. The characterlatics which affect such values are so diverse that a complete knowledge of operating conditions and developments, and costs of materials throughout the life time of a project are naturally essential to its intelligent consideration for any such comprehensive result as the placing of an equitable value upon it for any of the various purposes which would require or involve this value.

Real Problems that Are Involved. Thus the real problems involved are to arrive at a proper value or cost for those portions of a plant or property which do not exist today, or which are inaccessible. These obsolete features were installed and in the natural course of developments replaced by improved methods and processes; and in many instances no complete record of their cost or description has been kept. They often involved labor and materials which were charged up to operating expense and maintenance. While a proper and complete system of bookkeeping should have segregated them to their proper accounts, it should not be forgotten that the modern cost methods are hardly fifteen years old and, although remarkably precoclous, that they are not much better matured than their age would indicate.

Our state railway commission has been quite 'tangled up" very recently trying to render decisions which would not conflict with the various prominent court decisions upon similar subjects; but why should they restrict themselves thusly when these same decisions are essentially diametrically opposed to one another, or at best are so involved that no two lawyers will construe them alike,

Of course, the lawyers upon each side take advantage of the precedents which favor their interests and much time and wrangling are the result, and the only result sometimes. Why not forget the past, which is well known to have been based upon incomplete data and prejudiced arguments, and confine ourselves to the conditions before us. definite advance which has, been recorded is the recent decision of the United States supreme court that water rights were a proper item of value. Anyone who has obtained such rights appreciates the trouble and expense involved in obtaining and sometimes protecting them; but the popular idea, based upon incomplete knowledge, and the sentiment of the public press had heretofore predominated.

"Going Value" a Real Item of Work. "Going value" is real and must be recognized just the same as it is in every day business. It has been defined in many complicated and indefinite ways which account mainly for the contention as to its merits. It is the same, but more than the "good will" of a prosperous business. Its exact value compenents vary with the particular proposition under consideration. It would usually be the net and reasonably secure profits over and above all proper expenses, depreciation and dividends; and this amount capatalized at say 6 per cent, but with proper deductions to cover occupation taxes, etc., would represent the amount to be added to the other valuation items. Then it should sometimes include any systematic and assured annual increase of surplus and on the same principle, any yearly deficits in results should be equitably applied to reduce a valuation Franchise and "water rights" value should be put down for no more than their actual cost, when they are reverting to their original owners.

When the original promoters of an enterprise took all the risks and suffered all the usual anxieties and nacrifices due to the new enterprise, the ignoring of going value would withhold all recognition and reward for their bravery, shrewdness and success, un less it has been shown that their surplus profits or other emoluments have already repaid them and that the conditions and experiences involved have not warranted any such reward.

Varying Methods Check One Another.

The various methods lately prescribed are not due to any definite difference of opinion, but rather as a means to the more nearly reach an equitable result by checking the one against the other and thus providing for the obsolete features and the increased real estate value and the depreciated plant value.

Of course, no injustice is intended in such affairs and there would be accordingly but little ground for dispute if all concerned were properly conversant with all the details involved, or if they made such thorough and exhaustive studies of the developed features and sought and utilized the experienced and unblased judgment of others who had managed, de aigned and constructed similar projects, when this was plainly the only means now available to determine the probable and reasonable costs desired.

Competency of Expert Witnesses.

Another difficulty which has complicated, delayed and prevented proper results in the past, is the false idea that a competent witness must be one whose experience has been exactly identical to the case at issue, or one who has successfully "testified" in many similar cases. This has been accentuated and utifixed by the lawyers to attack and detract from the testimony of an unfavorable, or a supposedly unfavorable, witness and is utterly foolish and without any better basis than precedent. The lawyer is permitted to continually repeat his objections to the witness as incompetent and the question as irrelevant and without proper foundation, etc., while he knows little whereof he taiks, and the only redeeming feature of the whole farce is when a broad gauge judge as continually overrules him. The uncertain costs. which these witnesses alone can properly and intelligently fix, are practically the same for construction work of a very general class, and depends rather on the character of the country, the labor available, and the material markets; and for that reason the designers and constructors of a broad general experience are more competent to testify than the few who may have had one or more specific experiences of the exact detail at lasue, but with necessarily different general conditions, for it is always the reasonable and probable cost to build originally or to rebuild today that is wanted.

As a conclusion let me say that much less weight should be given to precedents, biased witnesses and the elegance of the lawyers' arguments and the most weight to material and practical evidence and the unprejudiced judgment of trained and experienced de-

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People and Events

The queen of Bayaria has been hit in the head with a skyrocket. When will these effete European nations fall into line for a safe and sane Fourth.

The will of the late Jacob A. Riis, social worker, author and friend of Colonel Roosevelt, says that Mr. Rils had accumulated no money to give to the settlement which he founded in this city and which bears his name. The bulk of the estate, the value of which is not given, goes to his wife, Mary Rifs. Four children by a former wife have heretofore been provided for, the will says, by a deed of trust

IN THE BEST OF HUMOR

What is it necessary for a man have it he is going into politics? A mud guard. Junge.

Mrs. Bluffe-Melba sounded hoarse last night.
Mrs. Huff-Four record must have got cold. The Smart Set.

She (during the quarrel)—I only married you to spite Free Johnson.

He (ruefully)—i wish to beaven you'd marrie. Fred Johnson to spite me.—Boston Transcript. marrie. Fred J Kentucky Kernet-You may be president.

some day, my boy.

Little Lad-Gee! You're not trying to work me for a post file j b that far ahead, are you? Stanford Chaparral.

"He's broke."
"An! the girl he was engaged to has dro yed him."
"She dro ped and broke him, eh?
"No; she brok; and dropped him."—Houston Post.

"He seems to feel rather important."
"Well, yes. He trinks tobace; stocks ought to slump a bit whenever he swears off emoking."—Kansas City Journal. "Some day," cri d the outraged poet,
"you editors will fight for m: work."
"All right," sighed the editor, resignedly. "I'll be a good sport if I get licked."
-Puck.

him! It took him fifteen lessons to teach me how to swim!-Michigan Ga.goyle.

Kitty-Jack told me a t night that I was the rightlest girl he'd ever a en. Ethel-Oh, that's nothing! He said the same to me a year ago.

Kitt —I know that, but as one grown older one's taste improves, you know.—

Milwattkee Nows.

THE GOOD SAMARITAN.

A certain man long years ago. While traveling down to Jerico. Was wounded, robbed and left for dead. While traveling down to Jerico.
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The ruffians shaged the spoils and fled.
A priest was passing by that way.
And stopping where the atranger lay,
He heard his feeble, mournful groans.
And muttered thus in undertones:
"Foor man; could I but spare the time
To chant a psalm in measured chime—
And for this wounded brother pray,
Perhaps I might his pains allay;
But what's the use, he's nearly dead—
And might not hear a word I said."
The priest moves un—be's out of sight,
Along the path a proud Levite
Approaches, stops, then turns his head,
And to his suffering neighbor said:
"My worthy friend are you a Jew?
And of what ancient tribe are you?
You should have gone some other way,
Or held those murderous thieves at bay.
Tis dangerous traveling through these
hills,
But I've no time to cure your ills—

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Disgusted Father—Well. a college eduration ought to make a congressman of Jack.

Friend—How's that?

Di gusted Father—He has introduced another bill.—Columbia Jester.

"What was her father's present to the"

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"To the house of God I must repair.

And swing the golden censer there.

Arrange the altar, fill the bowls.

Fear not my friend, the Lord is night put all your trust in Him. Good bye."

Then came the good Samaritan.

Who, lifting up the wounded man.

Poured oil and balm into his wound.

Then took his cloak and wrapped him 'round;

"What was her father's present to the bride and groom?"
"Nothing specific. He to'd the bride that there would always be a room in his house for her and a job t bis factory for the groom."—Detroit Free Press.

Mrs. Newlywed—Don't you love our new minister?

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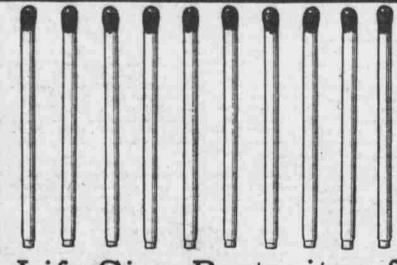
Widow—Love him? Why, I adore

Then took his cloak and wrapped.

And when his throbbing pains had ceased, He set him firmly on his beast, And slowly then, with careful feet.

P. S.—The priest and the Levite were brothers of the stricken traveler from the seed of Abraham, but were either of these his true brother and friend?

E. O. M'INTOSH.



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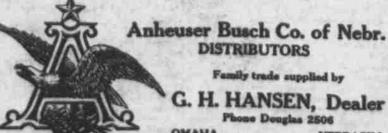
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