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ARTICLE XIV, CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES

Citizenship Rights Not to Be Abridged

1. All persons born or naturalized in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and of the State wherein they reside. No state shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any state deprive any person of life, liberty, or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.



NEIGHBORLINESS

NEIGHBORLINESS is always a most valuable asset for any individual. Man is a social being and he who thinks he can get along without his fellowman has made a great mistake. That "no man liveth unto himself", is not merely a commonplace of Holy Scripture but the statement of a social fact. Neighborliness and friendliness which are virtually words of the same meaning, or synonymous, to express it in one word, is the acknowledgement of this mutual relationship of dependence of one upon another. Neighbor, as you doubtless know, means one who dwells near or nigh another. Its derivation is quite significant and throws a flood of light upon primitive life and man's association with the tilling of the ground. Neih, near; gebhur, husbandman or tiller of the soil. Hence my near husbandman or tiller of the ground. My fellowtiller, if you please, who like myself is trying to earn his living by honest toil, therefore under the same law of labor as myself, subjected, primarily to like conditions. The root idea is a near fellow tiller of the soil, implying mutual helpfulness between tiller and toiler. Complexity of modern life and the diversity of occupations do not alter this primal duty of mutual helpfulness. While neighborliness applies first to those who live near one, it is very plain that it should not be limited to those. Friendliness and neighborliness are traits of character which it is well to cultivate and encourage.

SCHOOL DAYS AGAIN

NEXT WEEK the public schools of our city and state and throughout the land will be reopening their doors to receive the vast army of American boys and girls whose great privilege it is to have most excellent opportunities of receiving an education. Happy indeed should the people be who are in such a state. The present generation does not realize what wonderful advantages are theirs as compared with those of a few generations ago. We of the West and North have won-

derful opportunities. This is pre-eminently true of Nebraska, where not only the most modern and up-to-date buildings are provided, but school books are provided free for the children. There is therefore no excuse for ignorance. Moreover education in this state is compulsory. Parents are compelled to send their children to school. The children of our group here are taking advantage of these opportunities. The Monitor would suggest hearty co-operation upon the part of parents with their children's teachers. They should visit the school, learn how their children are doing, and encourage them to do their best. We hope that our boys and girls will be filled with laudable ambition to be the best in their respective classes, letting none exceed them in cleanliness, neatness, conduct or scholarship. School days are here. Make good use of them. They will pass all too soon.

ACUTE INDIGESTION

THE FREQUENCY with which death occurs among the American people from acute indigestion shows that proper food and proper methods of eating are indispensable to good health. There is a great deal of carelessness in this matter among our group. As a rule we are great eaters. We love to eat. Instead of eating to live many apparently live to eat. Eating rich food irregularly and at all hours is responsible for impaired indigestion which frequently results in sudden death. One should be careful as to the quality, kind and quantity of food he eats. Acute indigestion we are informed by a successful physician claims many victims.

GENTLEMEN NOT BULLIES

OMAHA's police officers have the reputation of being considerate and gentlemanly men, as a class. There are apparently, however, a few sluggers on the force who should receive attention. Police officers should be gentlemen, not bullies and sluggers.

FOOTNOTES TO AFRICAN HISTORY

(By the Hamitic League)

HANNIBAL

Hannibal was the son of Mailcar of Carthage, and a cullud buddy who traced his ancestry back to Ilido, the little coffee brown beauty who made her getaway from Phoenicia and built herself a bungalow on the site of the future Carthage.

At the time Hannibal was born, Carthage was handling the trade of the world and Rome wanted to break up her picnic. His dad, Hamilcar, fought Rome to a standstill and when the kid was only knee high to a duck, dad made him swear never to stop fighting Rome until the latter was non est.

And Hannibal sure did try it. He had Rome so nervous that she went into hysterics every time somebody started to utter a word that started with the letter H.

Several times Hannibal started with armies to go after Rome, but fortune was kind of hard on him. But the last time he got his bunch together, he almost made a go of it.

He carried his army through Spain and over the Alps. Hannibal was the first bird who ever carried an army across the Alps without flying. Napoleon did it centuries after, but the cullud did it first.

Finally the army reached the Valley of the Po and gazed on Rome. It was then that his judgement took a scot and never scooted back. Instead of jumping on Rome as soon as he arrived and had her scared stiff, his army hung around hobnobbing with the country folks and eating chicken dinners.

If he had whipped Rome immediately, the history of the world would have been changed, but evidently history didn't want any change. Hasdrubal, Hannibal's brother, wandered Romeward with a small army and got captured. Then the Romans cut off his head and tossed it into Hannibal's camp.

When the great chocolate colored soldier saw the head of his brother, he sort of lost interest in the fight and it wasn't long before he beat it back to Carthage.

Rome followed and offered a zillion beans for anybody who would bring Hannibal in alive, but his soldiers stuck. When Rome finally cornered him and he found out that he couldn't get away, he killed himself and sent Rome a note of regret that he wasn't able to knock her block off. (Next week, Antar of Arabia).

PEOPLES' DRUG STORE MOVES INTO OWN BUILDING

The Peoples' Drug store which has been located on South Fourteenth street for several years has moved into its own building at Twenty-fourth and Erskine street which has been remodeled and enlarged. An addition has been built on Erskine street which is occupied by the shining parlor and newstand of Frank Douglas, formerly located in the front of the building on the corner. The Peoples' Drug store has beautiful and commodious quarters handsomely fitted up. The formal opening will be held in about ten days.

The Monitor notes with pleasure the improved lighting on North Twenty-fourth street. Keep up the good work.

"Do the day's work. If it be to protect the rights of the weak, whoever objects, do it."—Coolidge.

Don't BORROW your neighbor's Monitor, become a subscriber yourself or buy one at the newsstand.

GYPSY DANCES WORTH WHILE

Really Interesting, According to Traveler in Granada—Women Expert With the Castanets.

It was interesting going to see the gypsy dances while in Granada. Rain had caused the bullfight to be postponed, so we drove in a horse cab out to the suburb where the tziganes live in their caves carved in the rocky hillside. You get a guide and agree to pay the gypsies 50 pesetas. There are about eight women who dance and two men who play guitars.

Some of the women dance well, better than most stage dancers, and all are experts at rattling the castanets. In the low-vaulted cave the clacking of eight pairs of castanets produces an overpowering rhythm that penetrates and pervades one's whole consciousness, bringing realization of the strange, vivid, restless, colorful genius of the ancient gypsy race.

But when a number is finished and the dancers stop to rest they are merely gypsies again. They look at their guests inquiringly and make gestures of drinking. "They want you to buy them a bottle of wine," the guide explains. So you order a bottle sent in from the little bar next door (which is doubtless under the same management). Soon, however, they want another bottle. But you tell the guide that you have come to see them dance, not drink. He explains it to the gypsies, and they laugh and go on with the dancing.

When the show is over they want to tell your fortune, and then all the neighboring gypsies flock in, carrying their babies in their arms. Each baby wants a penny. When you run out of pennies they will accept cigarettes.—Chicago Evening Post.

AWARDED HIM ROYAL HONORS

American Visitor in Europe Mistakenly Accorded Deference That is Reserved for Rulers.

A visitor to one of the hotels at Carlsbad tells the story of a man to whom the servants and the proprietor paid the most profound attention. He was royally treated, rather to the neglect of the rest of the guests.

Every time he came out of the hotel door a strip of green carpet would be rolled down in front of him and the attendants would take off their caps and bow in the most deferential and obsequious manner. Neither the visitor thus so strangely honored nor the other guests could make out what this deference meant.

At last some one looked in the printed register. There was the entry: "James the 1st, king of Buffalo, N. Y."

It was the native printer's rendering of the American's name—James I. King, Buffalo, N. Y.—Kansas City Star.

Explaining Mississippi's Flow.

Motion "up" or "down" properly defined, refers to movements against the attraction of gravity or to those acting with it. Water acted upon by gravity alone always flows down hill and the Mississippi river, which rises at a point about 1,500 feet above the level of the sea, is not an exception to the rule. The statement that the Mississippi flows up hill is based on the idea that "up" is always from the center of the earth and "down" toward it. If these were the only meanings of the words then it might be said that the Mississippi river flows up hill, for the polar radius of the earth is over twelve miles shorter than the equatorial radius and as the Mississippi river extends over 18 degrees of latitude, its proper proportion of this difference amounts to more than four miles, the river's source being that much nearer the center of the earth than its mouth.

Why He Selected Motto.

A man walked into a sign-painting establishment and asked: "Can you fix up a sort of placard or house motto for me?"

"Certainly," said the painter. "Put a border around it and beautify it a little?"

"We can do all that," the proprietor assured him.

"Make it as pretty as you like."

"What is the wording to be?"

"It's a quotation from Shakespeare. You remember Puck says: 'I'll put a girdle around the earth in forty minutes.'"

Seeing that the sign painter looked puzzled, he added: "I want it as a gentle reminder to place on my wife's dressing table."

Then He Kicked Himself.

Last year I moved from my farm to another farm five miles south of it, writes a correspondent. As the roads were bad, I left my car until the road dried. One evening my son took me to the place where I left the car, and then came home. It was dark when I went out to get the car. The man who had my farm and I tried to crank the car, but weren't successful. Then we tied it on behind his car and pulled it for a long distance. As we found it impossible to start it, I walked home. The next morning I went back to locate the trouble. I found I did not have the switch turned on.

Power of Custom.

"You have succeeded in remaining in office a great many years; you must have pleased some folks." "I don't know as I always pleased them," replied Senator Sorghum. "I just kind of got to be a habit with them."

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TRAITOR TO ITS OWN KIND

Frigate Bird is Well Described When It is Called a Feathered Villain, Says Writer.

The frigate bird of the South sea is a thief and a traitor. Figuratively speaking, he flies pretty low. He robs the poor sea gulls of their fish, and, not content with doing that, he lures them and many other birds into the hands of the natives. The greatest ambition of a native of Nauru island, says a writer in the Bulletin of the Pan-American Union, is to own more frigate birds than anyone else in his village. Nauru, by the way, is a mere dot of land between the Marshall and the Solomon Islands. It has a native population of some two thousand persons.

Frigate birds, uninteresting and always apparently asleep on the roost, are capable of almost human cunning when trained as decoys to capture other birds. On festival days in Nauru whole villages meet to contest the supremacy of their decoy birds. The king of the island presides over the tournament.

Sometimes when the decoys are set free not a wild bird can be seen or heard. Up soar the decoys until lost to sight. Then presently the screams of wild birds rend the air, and flocks of them appear and in the company of the decoys approach the roosts that the natives have built for them. Soon, however, the wild birds become suspicious and try to soar away. Then the real labor begins. With open bills and widespread wings the frigate birds attack their victims, bar their way, head them off and circle round and above them until they have driven them, bullied and exhausted, to the roosts.

At the end of the tournament a count is made, and the village and the villager with the largest number of captive birds to their credit are publicly praised by the king. Thereupon feasting and dancing begin.

THANKS IN WRONG QUARTER

Little Marie Gave Altogether Undue Credit to the Dignified Head of the Flock.

A nursery governess tells of two children, once in her care, who never forgot to be polite.

An amusing feature of their walks was Willie's trouble with his overshoes. They were of a size out of all proportion to his feet, and hampered his movements greatly. He was continually taking headers, but was usually laughing when the governess picked him up. Then the little fellow would carefully brush the snow from the bottom of her skirt with his red mittens.

Marie, as well as Willie, showed the instinctive courtesy of a kind nature. She had impressed on her the propriety of thanking everyone who did her a kindness, and Marie always tried to comply. They had on one occasion talked of the various farm animals, and of how much we owed to them. At dinner Marie looked at her egg for some moments without eating it, and then slipped quietly from her chair.

"Where are you going?" she was asked.

"I am going to thank Mr. Rooster for laying me this nice egg," explained Marie.—Exchange.

Increases Perfume of Flowers.

A process, the invention of M. Daniel, professor of botany at Rennes, by which the perfume of flowers is greatly increased, has been explained before the Academie des Sciences in Paris. By taking two plants of the same species and grafting one on the other—notably a wormwood on a chrysanthemum—he found not only that the grafted wormwood developed remarkably, but its flower gave forth a perfume much more powerful than that of the original plant. Moreover the chrysanthemum had given the seeds of the grafted wormwood and the following year obtained from them some fine plants. They had this peculiar feature—that while the flowers of some of the plants emitted a perfume similar to those of the original graft, others were absolutely without odor.

Ravages of Man-Eaters.

India is not the only country afflicted with the man-eater. In Uganda in one year lions killed as many as 22 Europeans, 12 Hindus and 167 natives while employed in the construction of a railway. These figures do not include such natives as were not in the employment of the railway; a local administrator estimated the loss of life in their case at something over 500.

In a single year the lions of Rhodesia are reported to have claimed 119 victims; those of West Portuguese Africa accounted for more than 200 people, including three European hunters.

Those Fast Drivers.

The road being narrow and dangerous, the guest was overjoyed to find his host a careful driver. As they gingerly climbed a treacherous incline another car shot by. The guest shivered.

"How foolish that man was to pass us on this precipice."

"Wasn't he?"

"Why did he risk his life like that?"

"Just wanted to show us he had a fast car," responded the careful driver.

"But I'll show him."

And he proceeded to step on it.

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Nebraska Civil Rights Bill

Chapter Thirteen of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska, Civil Rights. Enacted in 1898.

Sec. 1. Civil rights of persons. All persons within this state shall be entitled to a full and equal enjoyment of the accommodations, advantages, facilities and privileges of inns, restaurants, public conveyances, barber shops, theatres and other places of amusement; subject only to the conditions and limitations established by law and applicable alike to every person.

Sec. 2. Penalty for Violation of Preceding Section. Any person who shall violate the foregoing section by denying to any person, except for reasons of law applicable to all persons, the full enjoyment of any of the accommodations, advantages, facilities, or privileges enumerated in the foregoing section, or by aiding or inciting such denials, shall for each offense be guilty of a misdemeanor, and be fined in any sum not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than one hundred dollars, and pay the costs of the prosecution.

"The original act was held valid as to citizens; barber shops can not discriminate against persons on account of color. Messenger vs State, 25 Nebr. page 677. N. W. 638."

"A restaurant keeper who refuses to serve a colored person with refreshments in a certain part of his restaurant, for no other reason than that he is colored, is civilly liable, though he offers to serve him by setting a table in amore private part of the house. Ferguson vs Gies, 82 Mich. 858; N. W. 718."