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**THOUGHT FOR TODAY.**  
 Ask, is Love divine,  
 Voices all are, ay,  
 Question for the sign,  
 There a common sigh,  
 Would we through our  
 years,  
 Love forego,  
 Quit of fears and tears?  
 Ah, but no, no no!  
 —George Meredith.

No tramp printers this year.  
 They are all living high as Titanic survivors.

Teddy has another state credited to his side of the account. Minnesota is for him.

Mothers' Day was pretty well observed in Plattsmouth. There was plenty of carnations to supply the demand.

Anyone would think the Father of Waters was old enough to know better than to lie down in the Louisiana sugar bowl.

An effort is going to be made this week to exchange Mr. Lorimer's senatorial toga for a very warm and sticky sweater.

Why have the Methodists been so opposed to circuses, when the Behemoth of Holy Writ has always been one of the chief exhibits?

It's a pretty safe prediction that half of the church-goers attend church more because they think they ought to than because they want to.

The money trust investigators are going to probe campaign contributions. If they aren't careful they will scare away some good liberal buyers.

The Methodist bishops favor letting church people decide for themselves on amusements. This will remove high, low, jack from the haymow to the parlor.

It must be admitted that the president showed a whole lot of judgment in setting out to heal the breach in his party by using such endearing terms as "Neurotic."

A Kansas farmer advertises for "a good milker who will not swear at the cows." After next month he may be able to find a campaign financial manager who is out of a job.

Congress refuses to reduce its mileage pay. The congressmen of course don't want it, but feel they must have it to prevent Uncle Sam from getting into trouble with it.

Billy Sunday, the baseball evangelist, received \$17,000 for a ten-days' meeting at Wheeling, West Virginia. And now we suppose the preachers of that city will starve during the remainder of the year.

A dollar-a-day pension bill has passed both houses of congress and was signed by President Taft Saturday. This is glorious news to the old veterans who are unable to work.

Many people believe that, had Teddy been president, he would have had United States troops in Mexico before this. It depends how you feel about it, whether that is a knock or a boost.

Senator Jeff Davis of Arkansas says that in the proffered hand of friendship the railroads are concealing a dread dagger. Be calm, Jeff, probably it is merely the conductor's punch.

Local pride is a great business builder—while knocking is the surest way to wipe a place off the map. Let's all be practical boosters for the old town. Let's start today, and let's keep it up all the time.

Will Maupin's Weekly truthfully remarks: "The man who attempts to grasp all the possibilities of Nebraska in one day, or one week, or one year, is going to meet up with failure. The possibilities of Nebraska are beyond human comprehension or computation."

Many of the rural friends of the Journal have asked the question: "Does Plattsmouth intend to celebrate this year?" To which we were unable to reply, because we did not know. But one thing we do know—that if Plattsmouth does intend to have a celebration on the Fourth of July that it is time to begin to hustle for it—don't you?

Well, Roosevelt certainly has one on Taft. He had the biggest panic in 1907 the country ever experienced, according to the statement of Senator Aldrich. Taft has no panic to his credit. At Chicago—Roosevelt will have another panic and it will be worse than the one he had at San Juan Hill when a nigger regiment saved him and his Rough Riders.

Nowadays when a man believes that Jonah spent several days inside of a whale he attracts attention. At least that is the case with Bishop Joseph F. Berry of Buffalo, New York. He preached a sermon in which he announced that he believed the Jonah story, and his announcement, who he is, where he comes from, etc., was flashed over the country by every paper in the country.

Notwithstanding the fact that matters in political circles are somewhat quiet just at present, every once in a while you will hear some good republican friend remark that he is going to support John H. Morehead for governor. They want a business man who is abundantly qualified to look after the business interests of Nebraska in a business-like manner.

The dandelion is getting to be a serious question, and how to get rid of them is another. Some people dig them up, while others mow them down as fast as they appear. One resident has adopted the plan of taking them up by the root and filling the holes with gasoline, and has already used over a barrel of gasoline, and this has not proved altogether a success.

One of the oldest republicans in Cass county and a veteran of the civil war, remarked the other day that he could not see how the party could nominate either Roosevelt or Taft at the Chicago convention after such an exposition as each had made of the other and the language used in vilifying one another. But republicans do many strange things.

What makes many towns boom is the simple fact that they dwell together in harmony with "a live

and let live" policy as their slogan. The leading merchants of Plattsmouth, or the most of them, at least, are united for the welfare of the city, and as an evidence of this fact, for the past three years Plattsmouth has prospered as it has never prospered before. These conditions are due to a large extent to the efforts of one of the liveliest Commercial clubs in the state of Nebraska.

The Panama canal will be open just in time for Champ Clark's inauguration as president.

The merry month of May never fails to remind us that Jack Frost still lingers in the community.

Even if Mr. Taft carries Ohio handsomely, will it console him for the defeat of Cincinnati by the Phillies?

The six hundred rebels killed in Mexico were no doubt much better satisfied to die fighting than to live and work.

The meat trust declares that it would welcome a boycott by dealers, but its fingers were crossed when it said it.

No power on earth can bulge Teddy from his adamant conviction that the office should seek the man. No siree!

Andrew Carnegie says that every man ought to live on his income. If we had Andy's we would try to manage somehow.

An Indiana farmer is to sow his oats by aeroplane, but that is nothing new, as wild oats have long been sown by our high fliers.

It is reported that some of the farmers are voting this year without asking the editor of the country paper what they should do.

If the voters will persist in marking crosses wherever they see a bit of white space, it will always be hard to tell what their ballots mean.

Colonel Roosevelt may have handled the harvester trust when in authority, but it was with gloves. And the mitts were padded at that.

Under the circumstances it would not do, even if rooms were short, for any of those Ohio hotel clerks to assign Mr. Taft and Mr. Roosevelt to share the same sleeping apartment.

It is now proposed to introduce moving pictures in the public schools. They ought to be a success from an educational point of view, provided the right sort of pictures are shown.

Although 90 per cent of the Baltimore negroes voted for T. R., it is doubtful if any of them gets a chance to eat dinner at the White house.

A proper presidential costume for next inauguration day would not be the customary silk hat, frock coat, etc., but a pugilist's fighting clip and tights.

The increase in pensions will certainly be a great help to the west, in a financial point of view. The great bulk of the old veterans now alive are living in the western states.

It will not be possible to get any information about the sea serpent from the steamer that just came in from Glasgow without selling any drinks over the bar.

Lillian Russel is running an awful risk if she sticks to her determination that she will not wed until Roosevelt is nominated. It may mean that she is destined to pine away in single blessedness.

If only the national conventions were over then there might be some way of telling right where we are at, but movements on the political line will remain very quiet until the riders are up and ready for the word "go."

Predictions are very numerous that neither Taft or Roosevelt will be nominated at Chicago, nor that either Clark, Wilson, Harmon or Underwood will be nominated at Baltimore. Then there must be several dark horses in the background waiting for lightning to strike in their direction. It may be just possible for the democrats to nominate a man with no possible show of election.

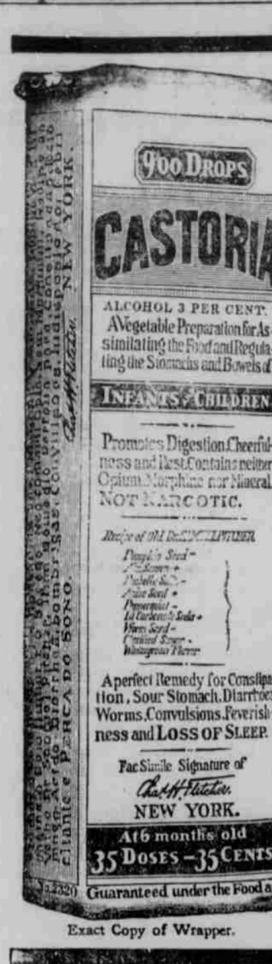
Insurgent Woodmen, who had hoped for a law in Illinois, the corporate home of the order, forbidding the proposed increase in rates now scheduled for the first of next January until two years later, have lost their case. Such a bill passed the lower house of the legislature by an overwhelming vote, but when it came up in the senate insurance committee the other day it was beaten by a single vote. The committee reported that the bill be not passed.

The Lincoln Journal, or its annex, the News, never misses an opportunity to jab Omaha, and it makes one tired to notice the jealousy displayed by these two (or one, rather,) papers. Why, great heavens! there is no call for such a display. Both cities should be interested in the prosperity of Nebraska, but as to Lincoln becoming as great a city as Omaha in any way imaginable, that is entirely out of the question. It is not made up of the right kind of energy to do so.

The democrats should not care particularly whether Taft or Roosevelt is nominated at Chicago, or as to whether a dark horse is brought in on a compromise. There is not as much to worry about this as there is as to the condition of the democratic party. There is this much about the whole business—if the democrats make no mistake in the selection of a candidate at Baltimore, by nominating a man who cannot unite the factions, then we will have a great show of success. The dark horse idea is a dangerous one and the probabilities are that in that case we would get a candidate who could not come as near uniting the factions as Clark, Wilson or even Harmon. Out upon the dark horse proposition. We don't believe in them, nor never did. If a man wants to be president let him come out in the open and say so and not stand in the background in the hope that lightning will strike him at the last moment.

**THE CHURCH.**  
 The Methodist Episcopal church in general conference in Minneapolis appointed a special committee to prepare a working program to disprove the charge that the church is not in sympathy with the poor. This committee, after taking the whole matter under consideration, has prepared a propaganda which calls for: "Abolition of child labor," "Reduction of working hours to the lowest practicable point," "Safeguarding the conditions of toil for women," "Protection of workers from the risks of enforced unemployment," "Provision for old and injured workers."

This is good as far as it goes, but the crux of the whole situation is the abolition of special privileges and equal opportunities for all. When this is inaugurated we can trust to the great general laws to remedy all the evils that afflict the state. The difficulty of civilization is in the absorption of power in the hands of the few. Society to be permanent must be continually renewed from the bottom. Then we can successfully tell the struggling toiler that there is always room



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at the top, but when the top is occupied with transmitted wealth and is in the grasp of the landlord, society decays at the bottom. We must give the people free access to the soil. Even now the cry is that the policy of the tenant farmers is to steadily decrease the fertility of the farm. The profits go to the landlords, who reside in the cities.

These are simple reforms, but they lie at the bottom of the whole situation. The policy of the church has ever been to protect the weak and inefficient and to impress upon the rich the foolish idea that their duty lay in faking care of the worthless under the name of charity. Having done this they were at liberty to exploit the industrious and prudent. All this is false in theory and vicious in practice. What we need is not to recur to the old maxims of "the poor ye have always with you," but to impress upon the people that poverty is a crime, the result of injustice, rascality, fraud and greed.

**WORDS FROM HOME**

Statements That May Be Investigated. Testimony of Plattsmouth Citizens.

When a Plattsmouth citizen comes to the front, telling his friends and neighbors of his experience, you can rely on his sincerity. The statements of people residing in far away places do not commend your confidence. Home endorsement is the kind that backs Doan's Kidney Pills. Such testimony is convincing. Investigation proves it true. Below is a statement of a Plattsmouth resident. No stronger proof of merit can be had.

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**-W. F. MOORE-**