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ENVY.

Envy is one of the worst things in the world. It makes men hate each other. It makes men tell lies and sometimes swear to them. It makes men bear false witness against their neighbors. Sometimes it makes men kill each other. Whenever we see a man who has succeeded, we wonder how he found it possible when there is so much envy in the world. We can picture the struggle as he climbed up the ladder with a lot of little fellows hanging onto his coat tail and trying to hold him back. Children learn to envy while they are very young. It asserts itself in the school room and when an exceptionally bright pupil forges ahead of his class, he becomes the victim of the petty persecutions of his jealous schoolmates. Sometimes they carry tales to the teacher, and these tales are not always true. He may be a companionable fellow, and a generous schoolmate, but they hate him because he is smarter than they are and can do things that they cannot do, and they envy him, and envy begets hate. How true it is that men are but children of a larger growth. In the school of life men bear the deepest hatred toward the men they envy most. They do not dislike the man, but Oh, they are so jealous of his ability. Every honor that comes to him, means pain to them. Because they cannot stand in his place and do the things that he does, and succeed as he has succeeded, they become the most miserable of men. With what craftiness they plot the destruction of the successful man; with what relentless energy they persecute him; how they rejoice in any misfortune that may come to him. In school days it was always the poor scholar that spent his time in envying he who stood at the head of his class and it was he that failed when the examinations were held. In the school of

life, it is the weak who spent their time in seeking the undoing of the strong and fail when the test is applied to them. Envy has robbed them of their own reward.

BURKETT.

It is easier to secure an election than it is to secure a re-election. The first time a man comes before the people he has no record to be criticized. He makes his campaign on promises. But when he comes before the people and asks for a renomination, his record will always speak for itself and the people will hear and act accordingly. If he secures the re-nomination it is the highest tribute that could be paid him, for it is an endorsement, not only of himself but of the record he has made, but when he receives a third endorsement, the honor is all the greater—both he and his works have stood the test of time. This is the happy position in which Hon. E. J. Burkett finds himself. A young and practically unknown attorney, he asked the people of the first district for a seat in congress and secured it. Twice he has come back to the people, submitted his record and asked their approval, and it has been freely given. This fact stands as the highest testimonial to his merit.

It may be that before the end of this year he will receive recognition, not only at the hands of the people of the first district, but at the hands of the people of the entire state, and be sent to represent Nebraska in the senate of the United States. Mr. Burkett is worthy of the honor. It will be an honor, not only to him, but to the people of the first congressional district who "discovered" him and gave him the opportunity to develop the splendid traits that made possible his fine record in congress. He has fairly earned promotion, and as much as the people would regret to lose his services in the house, they would rejoice with him in his advancement to the senate.

GRAFT.

Mr. Lincoln Steffins writing in the current issue of McClure's magazine, defines the enemies of the republic, not as political bosses and "grafters," but as the business men who bribe legislators to betray the best interests of the people. Using the Missouri boodle cases as an example, he points out that political corruption of this sort is nothing short of treason, because a revolution is being brought about by bribes as surely as it could be brought about by bullets. Mr. Steffins' reasoning is good and his conclusions logical. Municipal graft has long been the shame of the

cities and the discovery that such graft is only a part of a system that extends from council chamber to state legislature and from state legislature to the United States congress, reveals an economic condition unique in the history of governments. It is a spectacle well calculated to appall the reformer. The greatest difficulty in dealing with a revolution of this kind, is to know where to begin. Grafters erect no sign posts in the labyrinths of corruption. Hope lies in the fact that the great body of American people have not yet become corrupted. The fight against graft has begun and men like Folk and Crow have sounded an alarm that will not be silenced until the people have conquered.

Senator Burton of Kansas has been convicted of bribery. Who next?

Considered as a neutral proposition, the heathen Chinese is peculiar.

The circular opposing Fred Miller is unsigned, but then cowards never sign their names to anything.

Governor Mickey now has a clear track to renomination and consequently a clear track to re-election.

When you walk down the street conduct yourself with becoming decorum. If you don't somebody will publish a circular about you.

In view of the treatment received by C. B. Dempster at York it would be about the right thing to make him a delegate at large.

The purification of politics may be an iridescent dream and all that, but nevertheless the world admires one who at least tries to be decent in his political acts.

Colorado is seeking to gain recognition as a seat of war but with only indifferent results. They have succeeded in producing no more terrible names than Telluride, Wardjon and Trinidad.

The usual spring floods will soon emphasize the need of adequate drainage. Existing conditions can only be relieved by proper legislation and the men who secure that legislation will render the public a genuine service.

The passing of the fusion convention takes much of the picturesque out of politics. There was something impressive in the silence that preceded the report of the "conference committee." There was something dramatic in the manner in which democrat

and populist clasped hands and swore by the beard of Holcomb that they would stand together and save the country. But after the populist ceased to get enough to make it interesting, a fusion convention lost all its charm for the sight-seer.

The democrats are having trouble in finding lambs that are willing to be led to the slaughter. Since the republicans have nominated an invincible county ticket, the visible supply of democratic patriots has decreased. Very few men care to enter a race when defeat is certainty.

If Bryan should decide to get behind the Hearst boom, he would be doing a meaner thing than to crucify mankind upon a cross of gold, or to press upon the brow of labor a crown of thorns, things that he once said he would not do. But revenge is sweet, and after all, Mr. Bryan is only human.

"I have been subject to sciatic rheumatism for years," says E. H. Waldron of Wilton Junction, Iowa. "My joints were stiff and gave me much pain and discomfort. My joints would crack when I straightened up. I used Chamberlains Pain Balm and have been thoroughly cured. Have not had a pain or ache from the old trouble for many months. It is certainly a most wonderful liniment." For sale by A. G. Wanner.

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