

**QUEEN OF ACTRESSES  
PRAISES PE-RU-NA.**



MISS JULIA MARLOWE.

"I am glad to write my endorsement of the great remedy, Peruna. I do so most heartily."—Julia Marlowe.

Any remedy that benefits digestion strengthens the nerves.

The nerve centers require nutrition. If the digestion is impaired, the nerve centers become anemic, and nervous debility is the result.

Peruna is not a nerve nor a stimulant. It benefits the nerves by benefiting digestion.

Peruna frees the stomach of catarrhal congestions and normal digestion is the result.

In other words, Peruna goes to the bottom of the whole difficulty, when the disagreeable symptoms disappear.

Mrs. J. C. Jamison, Wallace, Cal., writes:

"I was troubled with my stomach for six years. Was treated by three doctors. They said that I had nervous dyspepsia. I was put on a liquid diet for three months.

"I improved under the treatment, but as soon as I stopped taking the medicine, I got bad again.

"I saw a testimonial of a man whose case was similar to mine being cured by Peruna, so I thought I would give it a trial.

"I procured a bottle at once and commenced taking it. I have taken several bottles and am entirely cured."

**COFFIN WOOD MINES.**

John Chinaman Dies for Material Most Prized for Caskets.

There exists no object which the average Chinaman exhibits more regard for than the narrow box which is destined to contain all that is mortal of him," says the Grand Magazine. He is never happy until it is in his possession. It occupies a conspicuous position in his house, and the richer he is the more he expends on its acquisition and adornment.

The coffins most esteemed by the Celestials are manufactured from a peculiar resinous wood, possessing quite extraordinary preservation properties and found only in one small district in Tonkin, buried in the earth, no living specimens of the tree now being in existence.

The natives search for it quite as eagerly as elsewhere gold and precious stones are run after; and, indeed, the deposits, for such they are, are to all intents and purposes mines of wood, the origin of which has never been satisfactorily explained.

Local legends have it that in a far distant past vast numbers of these trees existed in the dense forests with which the whole region was covered, and that as a result of some tremendous cataclysm they were uprooted and precipitated into the ravines. Whether this account is true or not, the buried trees are to-day a source of quite considerable wealth to the lucky person who finds them. For a coffin made of this special wood a Chinaman does not consider £50 or £100 at all too high a price to pay.

**A Great Relief.**

"It must be hard," said the friend, "to have your wife running off to woman's rights meetings and all that sort of thing every night."

"Hard?" replied Henpeck, "why, it's great! I can sit comfortably at home and not have to listen to her."

Colleges are now regarded as rather undesirable insurance risks, and it is probable that the rates will be generally increased. In eighteen years, 784 fires have occurred in college buildings, entailing a loss of \$10,500,000 in money and a heavy loss of life. This makes the average money loss over \$13,000.

**BUILT UP.**

Right Food Gives Strength and Brain Power.

The natural elements of wheat and barley, including the phosphate of potash, are found in Grape-Nuts, and that is why persons who are run down from improper food pick up rapidly on Grape-Nuts.

"My system was run down by excessive night work," writes a N. Y. man, "in spite of a liberal supply of ordinary food.

"After using Grape-Nuts I noticed improvement at once, in strength, and nerve and brain power.

"This food seemed to lift me up and stay with me for better exertion, with less fatigue. My weight increased 20 lbs. with vigor and comfort in proportion.

"When traveling I always carry the food with me to insure having it."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pgs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

**FROM THE COMMONER**

MR. BRYAN'S PAPER

**The Twilight Zone.**

At the Governors' conference, called by the President, Mr. Bryan referred to the discussion about the relative spheres of the nation and the State and said that there is "no twilight zone between the nation and the State in which exploiting interests can take refuge from both." He had in mind the constant attempts of predatory corporations to avoid national laws by an appeal to State rights and to avoid State laws by an appeal to national supremacy. Every one who has tried to protect the public from the plundering that has been carried on by monopolies knows how the big corporations have played fast and loose with both nation and State. It was for this reason that the phrase, "twilight zone," struck such a responsive chord. The President immediately seized upon it and used it to explain his position. The President said: "Just a word of what has been called the 'twilight land' between the powers of the federal and State government. My primary aim in the legislation that I have advocated for the regulation of the great corporations has been to provide some effective popular sovereign for each corporation. I do not wish to keep this twilight land one of large and vague boundaries, by judicial decisions that in a given case the State can not act, and then a few years later by other decisions that in practically similar cases the nation can not act either. I am trying to find out where one or the other can act, so there shall always be some sovereign power that on behalf of the people can hold every big corporation, every big individual, to an accountability so that its or his acts shall be beneficial to the people as a whole."

However people may differ about the methods employed by the chief executive—and Mr. Bryan has dissented from some

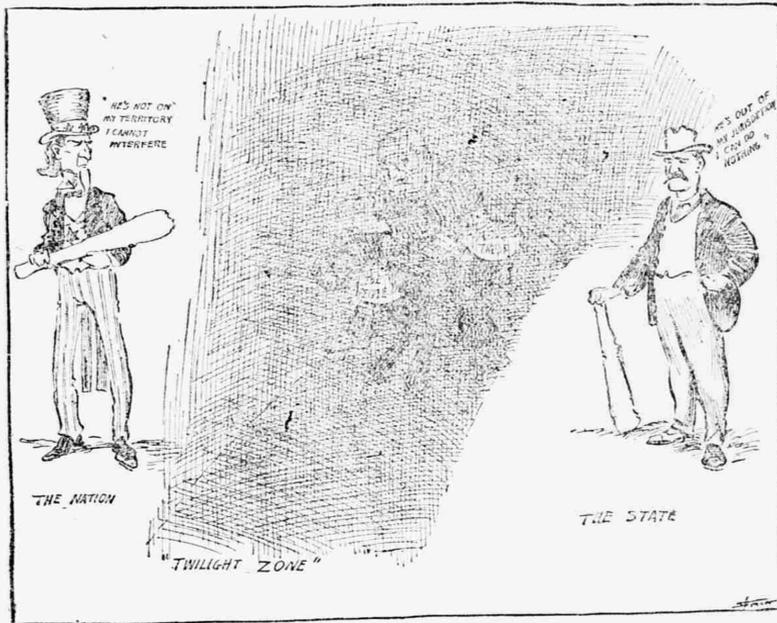
in with a political boss to defeat instructions.

Take Philadelphia, for instance. Forty-one delegates, who were elected at the primaries where district delegates to Denver were instructed, voted in the State convention. There were a number of delegates from other counties who voted contrary to the wishes of voters as those wishes were expressed at the primaries. Democrats may differ on economic questions and on platform utterances, but Democrats can not differ as to the duty of representatives to represent their constituents. A delegate has no more right to turn to his private advantage the authority conferred upon him by voters than a trustee has to convert to his own use money deposited with him.

The action of the State convention was, in effect, an embezzlement of power and can be defended only by those who are ignorant of, or indifferent to, the Democratic principle that conventions derive their just powers from the consent of the voters. The question as to what candidate the Democrats of Pennsylvania favor is of little importance compared with the question, "Have the Democrats of Pennsylvania a right to a voice in the selection of candidates?"

It seems that they have not, according to the opinion of those in charge of the Harrisburg convention. The fact that it was necessary to turn down men like Representative Cresser and ex-Treasurer Berry shows how desperate the men in control were. The action of the convention will have but little influence on the general result, because the convention only selected four delegates at large (sixty-four having been previously selected at primaries), but the object lesson which the convention furnished in boss rule carried to the extreme will be valuable to the State, for it will hasten the regen-

**THE TWILIGHT ZONE**



As the Trust Magnate Would Have it

of them—no one can dispute the President's statement that EVERY CORPORATION MUST BE AMENABLE TO SOME SOVEREIGN. It is absurd to say that the laws can create a fictitious person, called a corporation, and that the creature can then defy its creator and oppress at will the people of the entire country.

These corporations have controlled national politics for years and resent any interference with their plans. They control politics in several States and are reaching out after more. They subsidize newspapers and these papers defame every servant of the people and eulogize every official who betrays his constituents. They contribute to the campaign funds to demagogic politicians; they corrupt business methods and when these corrupt methods are attacked they hide behind honest wealth and denounce all reform as an attack on legitimate accumulations.

It is time to eliminate the "twilight zone" and hold to strict accountability all the agencies created by the people. The game of hide and seek must stop, and the nation and the State, each in its respective sphere, must exercise its power to the full, first, to make a private monopoly impossible, and second, to so regulate quasi public corporations as to make them subservient to the purpose for which they were created.

**Pennsylvania's Object Zone.**

The Democratic State convention recently held in Pennsylvania is heralded as a victory for the "conservative" element of the party, and yet it will only prove anew the old saying that "when the gods would destroy they first make mad." Nothing but an insane contempt for every Democratic principle could have led to the brazen disregard of the will of the rank and file of party unmistakably expressed at the polls manifested at Harrisburg.

The convention was an excellent illustration of the difference between conventions and the primary method of election, and just such conventions led to the adoption of the primary system. At the primary, where the voters had a chance to express themselves, more than two-thirds of the district delegates were instructed, and yet in the State convention the delegates elected at the same primaries joined

eration of Democratic politics in Pennsylvania, and regeneration is necessary, if the Democratic party is to be more than an adjunct of the Republican party. As it is now, the main purpose seems to be to prevent the Democrats from taking advantage of the widespread opposition to Republican corruption.

ONLY BY INSTRUCTING CAN THE VOTERS CONTROL: the unimpaired delegate is a guardian without bond.

**"A Strong Taft Movement."**

Writing from New York to his paper, the Chicago Record-Herald, William E. Curtis says:

"There is a strong Taft movement in Wall street. You would be surprised to hear the enthusiastic endorsements that are given to the Secretary of War by the men who are supposed to be violently opposed to the policies of the President."

That sounds familiar. Commoner readers will remember that during the month of March the Taft press bureau, located at Columbus, Ohio, sent out, according to the Washington Herald, printed slips bearing these headlines: "Business Hope Lies on Taft"; "Assert Taft Is Best Candidate"; "Big Wall Street House Calls on Financial Interests to Assist in Nomination." Following are extracts from the Taft circular: "Mr. Taft's long record is distinctly against any conclusion that he would continue Mr. Roosevelt's methods. He has displayed brains, ability, good judgment, and, above all, sanity, in the great and successful accomplishments of his career. We must not lose sight of the fact that there is a temperamental difference in the two men, Roosevelt and Taft. By nature and by training, as a lawyer and as a judge, Mr. Taft has always manifested a thoughtful attitude in his judgment, and a great deliberation and conservatism in his actions. Neither is it conceivable that a man of his force of character would be controlled, when in the full power of the presidency, by any outside personality."

In its issue of March 9, the Washington Herald printed an interview with Gen. Kiefer, a member of Congress, in which he said that he was for Taft and did not believe that if elected he would "go closely follow Roosevelt's ideas." It will be remembered that these reports greatly dis-

turbed Mr. Taft and his managers and they took pains to say that the circular from the Taft headquarters had been issued by a subordinate at the Columbus office.

Later the Omaha Bee, a leading Taft organ, quoted from the New York Commercial Advertiser this paragraph:

"As to the 'me too' charge it became dead and showed not even mechanical life when it appeared that with respect to the Roosevelt policies Gov. Hughes, Senator Knox, Speaker Cannon, Vice President Fairbanks and the others were quite as much for them as Secretary Taft."

**Silent.**

The New Haven (Conn.) Union says: "Editor Pulitzer asks Editor Bryan about his interest in the people and Editor Bryan asks Editor Pulitzer about his interests in the trusts."

And although the question is pertinent and timely, the World has not deigned to answer.

"Our relations abroad are the happiest," remarks the St. Louis Times. But it must be remembered that the Times speaks generally, not unambiguously, of our foreign relations.

It appears that William Waldorf Astor bought and presented to Great Britain the flag of a country that made him rich and under which he refuses to live and for which he never fought.

The Pittsburgh Dispatch rejects because the Pennsylvania railroad has succeeded in floating \$40,000,000 of bonds. Sales alive! Isn't there water enough in Pennsylvania stock to float almost anything?

The Harrisburg, Pa., Telegraph says: "Even Mr. Bryan can't help but admire our Capital." The Pennsylvania capitol building is worthy of admiration; the graft connected with it is provocative of amazement.

The New York Evening Post calls attention to the fact that New York has furnished the only successful Democratic presidential candidate since the war: New-

York has also furnished the most unsuccessful candidates.

There is some hope for Representative Rolenburg of Illinois. A man who reads the Commoner so diligently can not long remain in the bondage of ignorance.

Cornelius Bliss denies that the Metropolitan Street Railway Company contributed \$500,000 to the Republican campaign fund. But perhaps Mr. Bliss overlooked a little contribution like that among so many really big ones.

Speaker Cannon wants to know why the paper trust has not been prosecuted. Why, doesn't "Uncle Joe" know that there is no paper trust, that it was recently enjoined and that it is still doing business and raising prices?

Now if the Republican newspapers would announce their determination to oppose the re-election of the Republican Congressman who refuse to remove the duty on pulp, there might be something doing in Congress along tariff reform lines.

Noting that a Mr. Lemon is one of the Illinois delegates to the Denver convention, the Washington Post says: "It is needless to say this Lemon is also for Bryan." Whether he is for Mr. Bryan or not, it is needless to say that this is not the only Lemon the Denver convention will hand to the g. o. p.

The Lincoln (Neb.) Journal Republican, wants an explanation from the packing trust about the sudden advance in the price of dressed beef and pork. The explanation is very simple. The injunction that enjoins a labor union is enforcement; the injunction that enjoins the packing trust is for Republican advertising purposes only.

The Louisville Times says that among the fifteen thousand people who visited the Guinness farm at Laporte recently, the gentlemen who answered Mrs. Guinness' matrimonial advertisements were conspicuous by their absence. But the Times is badly mistaken. The gentlemen were there, but they took absolutely no interest in the occasion.

**NATION WILL EXTEND  
IRRIGATION SERVICE**

Meeting to Be Held in Albuquerque, N. M., Will Give Impetus to Great Work.

**WILL HELP FORESTRY, TOO.**

Projects to Be Undertaken May Involve Total Expenditure of Hundred Million Dollars.

Following by only a few months the meeting of the Governors to consider the conservation of the nation's resources the sixteenth annual irrigation congress, to be held in Albuquerque, N. M., from Sept. 20 to Oct. 10, will be a gathering of unusual significance.

Within the next few years the work of the government for reclaiming the unfruitful lands of the continent will almost certainly, it is asserted, undergo a big expansion, and where now millions of dollars are being expended in utilizing wasted water supplies and diverting them to fertile arid regions, the draining of swamp lands and the problem of reforestation are likely to be big questions that in the near future will receive the attention of the scientists and engineers of the reclamation service.

In the work at present undertaken the next three years will witness an expenditure of \$30,000,000, according to the broad program that is being carried out, and this, added to \$31,000,000 that already has gone into the irrigation works concerned, will bring to completion twenty-eight irrigation projects in sixteen States, making productive 1,910,000 acres of formerly desert waste.

From this time on, also, the government engineers plan to begin operation on at least one big reclamation project each year until the whole scheme, involving an outlay of \$100,000,000, shall have been completed. Plans will be discussed for those to be begun, including big works in the valley of the Colorado River and in the Sacramento Valley in California. All of which lends magnitude and importance to the coming congress.

**Will Consider Forestry Also.**

The subject of forestry is slated for extended discussion at this gathering, its relation to irrigation being the most intimate, it is said. Rivers rising in devastated countries are subject to annual floods that cannot be controlled and work only further devastation each year, while the flow can be turned to no useful purpose.

In the country surrounding Albuquerque, where the modern wonders of irrigation are to be discussed, there are traces of ancient works fully as wonderful in their way because created by primitive peoples ages ago who were the first irrigators of the West.

The most remarkable part of it, according to the government engineers who are surveying new canals for these same regions, is that the ancients, with their crude instruments, hit upon the most advantageous routes for carrying out these big engineering works, and in many sections to-day, it is said, the surveys are plotting out the new works right along the lines of those in use centuries ago.



Pretty soon steak will be a sign of wealth.

The American navy is still the undefeated wonder of the world.

The Japs realize that peace has its disasters no less than war.

The desire to take Harry Thaw to Europe ought to be encouraged.

Congress has been just as busy as though it had been doing something.

Prince Redie refuses to plunge at Monte Carlo. He prefers to play a sure thing.

It takes a strong-minded woman to support the weight of a Merry Widow bonnet.

Evelyn Thaw says she wishes the public to forget her. The public wishes it could.

An authority says "diamonds are harder than steel." They are certainly harder to get.

Now let us hear from the delegate on Merry Widow hats as one of our national resources.

Some are born to trouble, some hunt for trouble and some marry into the Gould family.

Mrs. Hetty Green denies that her daughter is going to get married now. Husbands will probably be cheaper before the year is out.

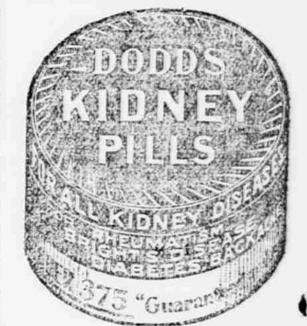
The House of Representatives costs us \$150 a minute. Yet people still say that "talk is cheap."

The fact that the Japanese invented firecrackers a thousand years ago is enough to make some hot-headed people want to go to war with them.

Every young naval officer knows exactly how to build a battleship, just as every man knows how to run a farm, a hotel or a newspaper.

Down in Georgia they start a State campaign a year or two in advance, so as to find time to say all the hard things they think about each other.

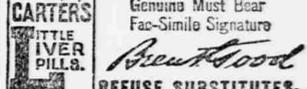
Followed His Orders. President Hadley, of Yale, coming back to New Haven late one night, got onto one of the cabs at the station, and, taking it for granted that the cabby knew who he was, said: "Drive fast, cabby." "All right, sir," replied cabby. The horse started off with a plunge and kept up his rapid rate for half an hour, going up one street and down another. Finally Dr. Hadley, seeing that he was being taken in the wrong direction, stuck his head out of the window and asked: "Are you not going in the wrong direction, cabby?" "Hanged if I know, mister," was the astonishing reply: "where do you want to go?"



**SICK HEADACHE**

Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

SMALL PILL, SMALL DOSE, SMALL PRICE.



**Slight Interruption in Trade.**

The patron who was making a small purchase at the drug store suddenly paused, clutched wildly at the atmosphere, and gasped, with a contorted face:

"O, wait a moment! I'm—"

The salesman behind the counter started to her relief.

"No, no!" she said, motioning him away. "I'll be all right—in a moment! It's only—"

"Shall I get a glass of water for you, madam?"

"O, no! It's—it's nothing. I—I—"

"Pardon me, madam, but—"

"No! No! Can't you see? I—I've got to—Ah-ki-choo! Ah-ki-choo! Kit-choo! Woosh! That's all. I only wanted to sneeze, and I'm awfully sorry to have made you any trouble."

The salesman politely but untrustingly responded that she hadn't made a bit of trouble.

Whereupon State street traffic, which had been for a brief interval interrupted by the incident, resumed its accustomed din.—Chicago Tribune.

**FIVE MONTHS IN HOSPITAL.**

Discharged Because Doctors Could Not Cure.

Levi P. Brockway, S. Second Ave., Anoka, Minn., says: "After lying for five months in a hospital I was discharged as incurable, and given only six months to live. My heart was affected, I had smothering spells and sometimes fell unconscious. I got so I couldn't use my arms, my eyesight was impaired and the kidney secretions were badly disordered. I was completely worn out and discouraged when I began using Dean's Kidney Pills, but they went right to the cause of the trouble and did their work well. I have been feeling well ever since."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

**The Danvers Man.**

Where there's a will there's a way. When you lay a wager you shouldn't brood over it.

Many persons who really have an aim in life are too lazy to shoot.

The true philosopher is one who makes the best of it when he gets the worst of it.

Where ignorance is bliss—having more money than you know what to do with.

Orpheus of old could make a tree or a stone move with his music; but we have players to-day who can make whole families move.—Boston Transcript.

**ECZEMA COVERED BABY.**

Worst Case Doctors Ever Saw—Suffered Untold Misery—Perfect Cure by Cuticura Remedies.

"My son, who is now twenty-two years of age, when four months old began to have eczema on his face, spreading quite rapidly until he was nearly covered. The eczema was something terrible, and the doctors said it was the worst case they ever saw. At times his whole body and face were covered, all but his feet. I used many kinds of patent medicines, to no avail. A friend teased me to try Cuticura. At last I decided to try Cuticura when my boy was three years and four months old, having had eczema all that time and suffering untold misery. I began to use all three of the Cuticura Remedies. He was better in two months; in six months he was well. Mrs. R. L. Risley, Piermont, N. H., Oct. 24, 1905."