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Genius consists in doing the right thing without being told more than three times.

It is a strange paradox that as a man settles down in life he raises in his own estimation.

You cannot legislate virtue into people. There is no man ever any better than he wants to be.

It cost \$5,000,000 to transmit the news in the night of the presidential election, but it was worth it this year.

The Kaiser has most appropriately conferred upon Count Zeppelin the Order of the Black Eagle in recognition of his ability as a high flyer.

There has been no objection raised to the Thanksgiving proclamation on the ground of its being unconstitutional.

Prices talk—and they talk loud when you want a pound of butter or a dozen of eggs.

Every interest is hurrying before the tariff committee and demanding to be heard except the farmer who represents the greatest of all interests.

Mrs. Nat Goodwin, number four, states that she will not leave the stage. She is probably wise to keep in training for future contingencies.

To add to the dangers of the hunters, its no uncommon thing for women to take out licenses and join in the search for game.

A new two cent postage stamp bearing the portrait of Washington in profile from the Houdon statue will be issued this month and later those of higher denomination will appear.

It is quite generally accepted that the aeroplane will not replace the coal wagon or the ice cart, but then it may find other spheres of usefulness.

If Mr. Carnegie has not exhausted his fund devoted to the promotion of peace and harmony, he might wisely invest in a peace temple in Tennessee. It is sadly needed.

That new subway under Washington street, Boston, is a hummer. It is about four miles long and cost \$10,000,000. It is considered a masterpiece of engineering.

There is a prospect of a combination between the paper trust and the tobacco trust. What unlimited cigarettes such a combination would result in.

The crop this year is worth a billion dollars more than the crop of 1896. If the rural districts are not getting an uplift it certainly is not the fault of the prices on farm products.

Carry Nation is about to visit Scotland, but she has announced her intention of leaving her hatchet behind, the killed bartenders of old Scotland need not tremble.

According to the report of the Agricultural department this is the eighth successive year of bountiful crops. Let us hope that we are to have a double seven fat years.

Thirty-three leading trade papers take an optimistic view of next year's business prospects. If the country can be preserved from war or other widespread disaster, the future certainly looks bright.

No less than a hundred complete cabinets have been furnished Mr. Taft by able and disinterested newspapers, but the fraternity may yet find that Mr. Taft is something of a cabinet maker himself.

General Corbin rises to remark that "one fool woman can make more trouble in an army post than all the men." If the woman were there alone, General, she would make very little trouble. It's the old story, Adam complained that the woman tempted him.

There is danger of Senator Elkins not being returned to the senate, but that doesn't worry the senator as much as the danger that the Duke of Abruzzi will not return to marry his daughter after the trossau is all prepared on a queenly scale.

That expense list of Mrs. Howard Gould's may have an effect on the number of marriages. She showed that a woman could get along quite well on \$70,000 a year, but not every young man finds this a simple proposition.

Abe Ruef says there is a "burning bias" against him. A "burning bias"

is something entirely new. It sounds even more fatal than "brain storm" but if it means that the respectable citizens of San Francisco are "on to Abe's job" and mean to cut short his career as a grafter, its the correct term.

Christmas is coming on apace. Remember those good resolutions of last year to do your shopping early this year. You have only a short time to make good.

A noted astronomer advances the theory that the bright rays emanating from some of the so-called lunar craters are caused by salt effervescence. This confirms the theory that the man in the moon is not so very fresh after all.

Not satisfied with carrying off our betrothes it is reported that a Russian prince is about to marry an American singer. They are bound to have our talent, too, it seems.

The heartless antiquarian who has dug up evidence that primeval man liked oysters lays a ruthless hand on the myth that their popularity had its origin in the output of Oyster Bay, not far from Sagamore Hill.

Both parties having declared for separate statehood for Arizona and New Mexico in their national platforms of this year, it will be in order for congress in the coming short session to pass the necessary enabling act.

Mrs. Lantry celebrated her fiftieth birthday on the race course, but it is freely predicted that if Mrs. Lantry sticks to the race horses until her sixtieth birthday she will celebrate that in the poor house.

The value of farm products, farm animals, dairy and poultry, vegetable and fruits in the United States the past year aggregated more than \$8,000,000,000. Surely this is a great country with wonderful resources.

Senator Elkins is having the roots of his family tree unearthed. If he can produce an ancestor with a long enough title and a bad enough record he may be esteemed a fitting father-in-law for the Duke of Abruzzi, after all.

A Philadelphia judge has decided that a wife has a right to go through her husbands pockets while he is asleep. But if that judge has the remotest idea of justice to the husbands he will make a ruling that women shall their pockets where their husbands can find them.

The Nabobs of the East Indies have relegated their bejeweled elephants to their stables and are speeding around their domains in Yankee automobiles. Some of these copper colored dignitaries own a number of machines and run them beyond speed limit, too. The elephants still come handy in case of break downs.

The poor Kentuckians may be forced to go dry by conditions whether they choose to turn prohibitionists or not. Fifteen thousand barrels of whiskey burned at Boonville, just as a cold dreary winter is about to settle down upon them. What will the Colonels do?

The experiments in aerial navigation are costing dear both in lives and money as all experimental projects do. Yet men will continue these risky adventures and there will be no lack of men ready to test the aerial crafts which are completed from time to time. No scientific experiment has ever been delayed by human cowardice.

A Chicago judge has decided that baby carriages must be lighted lamps if they are to perambulate the public ways at night. Probably this ruling will decrease the number of fatalities caused by overspeeding baby carriages.

Down in Georgia the peach growers are organizing to get a price for their fruit that will return them a living profit. Up north the people are organizing to get the twenty-five cents to pay for a dozen of the product. It's a long way between grower and consumer and there must be a rake-off at every station.

In quantity the United States has had crops superior to that of 1908, but when quality and prices are taken into consideration this year's crop, all around, surpasses any previously harvested by the agriculturists of the United States.

There is no need of getting nervous, there will be no trouble over the impetuous Kaiser's interview. Crowned heads are not taken so seriously in state matter as they were once, and war is not a good thing for business on either side of the water.

Emma Goldman's man "Friday" otherwise known as Dr. Reitman, made so bold as to visit the military reservation at Fort Snelling and to distribute his inflammable documents among Uncle Sam's soldiers. But before the dispenser of anarchism knew

what was happening he was being forcibly escorted off the reservation by a squad of men with fixed bayonets. Of course this makes martyrs of the avengels of anarchy.

The statement from the state department that there is no friction with Japan may be justified by the fact that the Japs have seen our battleships. But we must have the open door in Manchuria and the integrity of China must not be disintegrated.

Foraker's latest explanation of his dealings with Standard Oil and his refusal to efface himself give promise of a pretty triangular fight when the Ohio legislature tackles the job of electing a senator to succeed the Fire alarm statesmen, whose time is nearly up.

The decision of the supreme court in the case of Berea college has settled the status of white and black pupils before the law. The interest in this decision which holds that segregation of the races is constitutional, is widespread and many laws are affected by it. It will help to solve some of the vexing race problems.

A Boston clergyman has taken an advanced position regarding his duties as a Christian minister in performing marriage ceremonies. He refuses to marry persons having incurable diseases, or men who have not an income of at least fifteen dollars a week. If more ministers would take a similar stand there would be fewer paupers and less suffering.

Whether the use of cement as a substitute for wood will advance fast enough to relieve the threatened distress from exhaustion of our timber supply, is not yet proved, but it would be difficult to estimate what the additional drain on the lumber supply would have been during the past few years if the use of cement became general.

The United States government has at last succeeded in putting an octopus out of business. The feat was accomplished by the big government dredge Cumberland. While at work with her giant suction pump in the Savannah river a live octopus was drawn up into the vessel. Unfortunately it died before any fine could be collected.

Lord Roberts has thrown a war scare over England by warning the government that an invasion by Germany would find the British Isles poorly prepared to repel attack. Making due allowance for jingoism, there is no denying that there is a great deal of concern about the future of international peace in Europe, Asia and America. The war spirit is abroad in the world.

Clark University some time ago offered \$5,000 for the capture of a real ghost. Now the Metropolitan Psychical society has offered an equal sum for a ghost that can count twenty. Now if there is a real, live, ghost who wants to earn \$10,000 all he has to do is to display himself and undergo the simple tests prescribed. It is cheering to know that ghosts have a market value.

Roosevelt is certainly going to be kept busy. The correspondents have him contributing editorials for the Outlook, killing lions in Africa, writing addresses and delivering lectures in London and France and striving for Depew's place in the United States senate, all in the next two years. What other stunts he will do as a pastime in the same period is not foretold.

President Roosevelt will take with him on his African trip zoologists and ornithologists and this is evidence enough, apart from his refusal to accept special privileges in shooting that his purpose is not slaughter, but pleasure in the pursuit of science. Evidently the president means to know more thoroughly than ever before the habits and instincts which govern the denizens of the forest. He will be able to nail the nature fakirs with more precision than ever.

The old fashioned wooden bridge ford has been replaced by a beautiful granite structure which no one across the Connecticut river at Hartford can see without gaining an impression of its strength and permanence which is restful and uplifting. It is the largest stone bridge in the world. Both the Carlsbruck across the Moldau at Prague and the Waterloo bridge over the Thames at London are longer, but they do not approach the eighty-two feet width of the Hartford structure. One by one the old land marks are being replaced by more useful as well as more substantial and artistic structures.

Great Britain believes that serious trouble is imminent in India. There seems to be no hope in the lives of the poor, starved, pestilence swept people of India. It is not surprising that they should attempt a revolt against English rule, but it is pitiful because it will only add to their

misery and bring greater numbers to cruel deaths. Despite their nearly 300,000,000 of numbers, they would be no match for the soldiers of Great Britain, but the slaughter which would take place before they were convinced of their helplessness would be terrible. The English are there to stay and it is to be hoped that the people of India for their own good will make no revolt.

The Christmas stamp idea which is being tried by the Red Cross in this country was borrowed from Denmark. Their purpose is to raise funds to continue the crusade against the white plague in the United States. There is to be an issue of Christmas stamps apportioned to each state and to be obtained at Red Cross headquarters. The stamp for this year was designed by Howard Pyle and bears a holly wreath and the greeting "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year." It costs but one cent and serves the double purpose of bearing a message of good will and aiding in a public crusade against a dread disease.

Edward Markman, poet and socialist, says if he were a national Santa Claus with power to bestow any gift he desired, he would give to the United States a system organized by the state to provide work at living wages for all workless men and women. Julia Ward Howe would give a more active national conscience. Tom L. Johnson would give the people Henry George's single tax. Rev. Anna Shaw would give American women the ballot. Clara Morris, actress and writer, would give a great navy. Brand Whitlock, mayor of Toledo, would give economic liberty. Many other well-known people have announced what would be their ideal Christmas gifts to the nation and as one reads them over he is impressed that most of them would be very helpful to humanity, and hopes time if not Santa Claus will bring them.

An interesting experiment was tried last year at Yale. The board in charge of the Sheffield Scientific school arranged short courses for the benefit of the mechanics of New Haven. Evening courses were offered in practical mechanics, practical electricity, steam and steam engines, mechanical drawing and machine design. So many applications for admission to these classes were received that it was impossible to take care of them all. The results of last year's experiment were so satisfactory that the plan is to be worked on a much larger scale this winter. Such an idea might be carried out on a small scale in every town having a manual training department in its public schools and by its aid some young men who have no trade and are obliged to work as unskilled laborers, might gain the rudiments of a trade.

NEW SIDE TO TARIFF PROBLEM.
The fact that Andrew Carnegie, head of the steel trust, should advocate the taking off of the tariff on steel seemed singular at the first instant because it coincided with the views of the so-called tariff reformers who were aiming at Carnegie's business. But new light is thrown upon the situation in a letter written by Alfred O. Grezier to Chairman Payne of the ways and means committee, pointing out that a removal of the tariff on steel would enable the formation of an international trust which could import its products from other countries without duty, getting the advantage of cheap foreign labor prices, and still controlling the situation. Prices could be boosted and wages lowered at will. This view of the question, coming from a man whose integrity of purpose can not be questioned, promises to turn some attention to the possibilities of the situation before the tariff is taken off Mr. Carnegie's products.

THE KAISER'S HUMILIATION.
Not since the mob enforced its will upon Louis XVI, at the beginning of the French revolution more than a century ago has the world witnessed anything like the scene presented in Germany during the past week. Not for more than a hundred years has any monarch had to drink of a cup so bitter. And it is all the more sensational in that the victim selected is, with the exception of Russia's czar, the most arbitrary, self-willed and imperious ruler in any civilized country of the world.

The great events of history come without warning. They are prepared by the slow fermentation of ideas and the slow crystallization of opinion among the people, exactly as the blast of the mine must be preceded by days or weeks of tremors drilling and by the slow sputtering of the lighted fuse. For many years the people of Germany have been rebellious against their governmental system. They, with the most liberty-loving blood of the world in their veins, have been practically without constitutional rights. The reichstag has been but an empty show; and whenever the emperor chose to swing his matted fist, all went down before it. The growth of socialism, the growing violence of debate, the necessity of putting in effect unusual penalties against those who showed disrespect to the em-

peror, all were evidences of a rising tide of popular resentment and popular determination to secure governmental responsibility that has now reached its flood.

It is to be said of Wilhelm that he is not one of the fat-witted rulers who refuse to read the signs of the times until revolution has actually overwhelmed them and their people. He has brains. He sized up the situation. He saw that, though he might easily sustain himself for some time in the exercise of autocratic power and the practice of strictly personal government, it would be at a fearful cost. Daily the irritation would grow, and eventually it must sweep away the throne itself. So he chose wisely by yielding, to retain for a longer time than he could possibly have saved by resistance. And of the concessions that he must ultimately make, these are but the beginning.

AROUND TOWN.
The open season on football players is about over.
Who said this wasn't fine weather?
To own the four youngest looking grandpapas in the state ought to be worth something.
Do they have to be a certain age before they can get Christmas presents off the Sunday school tree?
Quail can only be legally killed two more days. After that every bird that's shot will have a kick coming.
Only twenty-four more shopping days be—
Pick your favorites in this vote came and then help 'em along. Every time you make a purchase, get the votes.
Chicago News Pointed Paragraphs.
The common way of speaking is to use slang.
The man who acts little makes a big mistake.
Many a vain woman has tried in vain to get a husband.
Somehow modestly manages to parade in public frequently.
Only the successful author can afford to turn out poor work.
The miser is in a happy frame of mind when surrounded by gold.
A man may select his wife, but he can't pick out his own relatives.
Occasionally a thin girl worries because she hasn't a broader outlook.
How some women can even pretend to be proud of their husbands is a mystery to other women.
Every doctor in a small town thinks he would have become world-famous had he located in a city.
What a great and glorious thing it would be if some enterprising man would get busy and corner the trouble market.
After a man has been married a year he doesn't get brain fog from thinking of his wife when she is spending a few weeks in the country.
ATCHISON GLOBE SIGHTS.
Every trusting wife is easily fooled.
Don't long for good luck; it will only result in an extra dose of bad luck.
The man who amounts to nothing, usually resents it when another man does.
A woman may be of the opinion that her neighbor doesn't "know beans," but when her husband falls sick, she insists that he try all the neighbor recommends.
As a man grows old, he often reflects that his greatest happiness and content came to him through sensible women, instead of pretty ones. But there is no use telling it to his son.
There is some reason why men should talk about the weather; they have nothing else to talk about, but the women it is different. They are not restricted to the weather, having always for a subject of conversation the scandalous manner in which their hair is coming out.
OVER NORTHWESTERN PRAIRIES.
The Lamro Journal wants a temporary land office established in Lamro for the Tripp county filing.
Two changes have taken place in the Anoka newspaper field. George E. Brewer has charge of the Anoka Herald, following the departure of Editor Hummel to the Pacific coast. R. S. Scofield has purchased the outfit of the Lynch News and will establish a Democratic weekly in Anoka.
Lincoln Journal: Governor Sheldon has been busy with the case of W. A. Buchlin, a notary public of Brown county, who is charged with taking acknowledgements when the parties were not before him. A complaint has been filed asking the governor to revoke his commission. The friends of Mr. Buchlin say the complaint was inspired by spite and that the irregularities complained of were afterwards ratified by the parties whose names are mentioned in the acknowledgement.

JOHNNY DUMPER GOES QUAIL HUNTING AT WEST POINT

West Point, Neb., Nov. 28.—To the Editor of The News: Uncle Oscar and me's bin hunting quail. An old friend of his invited Uncle and me up to eat Thanksgiving dinner and go quail hunting on his big farm. He has lots of pasture land with plumb-brush on it and that's where you find the most quails in plumb-brush. They seem to like plumb better than any other fruit.

I got out my twenty-two repeater that's bin in my trunk ever since I came to Omaha and Uncle bot a new Winchester pump gun, because he sold his old double-barrel when he had his public sale, and we tuck the three o'clock train Wednesday afternoon and got to West Point after dark. It tuck about an our to ride out to the farm and I tell you supper tasted good when we got there. This friend of Uncle Oscar's uster batch with him together up in Pierce County thirty years ago, and he traded his farm for one down by West Point when he got married, so his children cud tend German school.

He calls Uncle "Oscar" and he calls him "Herman." I don't remember what the rest of his name is; it's about a foot long and ends with schmitt. He sees its one of the few things he brot with him from the old country that he didn't haf to pay duty on: Sed if he had it wud a broke him up.

He don't allow hunters from town on his place so there's a lot of quails there and they're quite tame.
After supper, Mrs. Herman brot out some grape wine she made herself. They wanted me to take sum but I wudent. Uncle Oscar sed it was perfectly harmless and the same kind they used in the Bible and sat all three drank sum of it and they all three talkt about old times. Uncle Oscar seemed to talk better after he had sum wine and he scarcely stutered a bit.

They told about how they uster hunt, and Herman told about killing three prairie chickens at one shot next morning after the big blizzard of '88.
Uncle Oscar tuck another swallar and told how he shot two cyotes thru the hart with one rifle bullet that same winter.

Herman tuck another and told how he one time let go both barrels into a flock of black-birds in his corn field and killed a bushel basket full.
Uncle Oscar told about a bul-dog he uster own that killed the biggest wild cat that was ever shot in Pierce county.

Herman pointed to a Scotch-Irish colly dog lying back of the stove and sed that was the smartest dog in the United States. He sed his mother was exported direct from Germany at a cost of \$75. He sed that dog wud bring up his seventeen cows from the pasture and wud stand at the gate of the yard and count them as they went in and if there wasent seventeen he wud go hunt up the stray without ennybody saying a word to him. He sed one nite a nayber's cow cum up with the bunch. The dog counted eighteen, turned and started off into the pasture. Then he stopped and sat down to think. Then he walkt back to the fence and counted the cows agen. He stood and thot if while and then went in among the cows and pickt out that stray and drov her out.

To show us what a smart dog he was, Herman turned to his wife while he was talking and sed, "Annie, the pigs is out!" Then he went rite on talking, but up jumpt the dog from where he'd bin asleep and ran to the door and barkt to get out. I let him out and stood at the window and I cud see him run strate for the pig-pen. After a while he cum back and whined to get in and when I let him in he walkt up to Herman and lookt up at him as if to say, "you're mistaken, the pigs is all rite." After he'd got to asleep, Herman sed agen, "The pigs is out." Up jumpt the dog agen and went out to the pen to see. He cum back this time and went and laid down without looking at ennybody. Herman tride it agen after a while. The dog got up, waged his tale and lookt at Herman with a twinkle in his eye, and then turned round and laid down agen. Herman sed he wudent take a hundred dollars for that dog.

Thanksgiving morning we got the chores done and started quail hunting. I guess I spoilt the luck for all.

Uncle Oscar ses "No, Herman t-t-twasent me!"
They both declared it wasent them that shot the dog, but there lay the dog, dead.
At last Herman sed, "Vell Oscar, we will not quarrel just about von little dog. But what will you tell Annie?"

We were a sorry lot of looking hunters when we got to the house. I don't know what they told Mrs. Herman about the dog, ennyhow she cride about it.
I wud like to tell you about the dinner we had but it wud take too long. I never et so much before and never will agen, for I dreamed that a turkey as big as an elephant was going to eat me and he had just got hold of me by the stumak when I woke up with the wurst pain I ever felt. Uncle Oscar got Mrs. Herman to make of me a mustard plaster and they put that on my stumak and I wud sick all nite and we cudent go home this morning like we intended to. But I'm feeling better tonight and we can start in the morning and I thot I'd write and tell you what a corkin' Thanksgiving we had. Yours,
Johnny Dumper.

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THAT DAKOTA DIVORCE LAW

No more will South Dakota Hold the record for divorces Of those who stop amid-stream For the fun of swapping horses, And the one who seeks a change Or in the fields of free-love browses, Will have to curb his passion For the spice of change of spouses.
No way we'll have of settling Our matrimonial squalls And calmly end by threatening To "go right to Sioux Falls!" The six months term of residence Is gone for aye, I fear, And we'll have to now give evidence We've lived there for a year.
Then let us start a protest Let us raise an awful roar, That we cannot get remarried Twice a year, as heretofore. They're depriving us of freedom, Those fell voters in their night, They are trampling under foot Our semi-annual marriage-rite.
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