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## SPRING TOKENS.

There are a number of things that are not especially nice in themselves, but which we are glad to see because they are signs of spring. Nobody loves a frog; they are not pretty nor musical, but we all like to hear their voices again after winter has gone. They are like other visitors, whom we welcome heartily and sincerely, but in whom we lose interest after they have once told their stories. So with dandelions. They are a pestiferous nuisance when they get under way, but their first appearance is welcomed with pleasure. When dandelions show their faces warm days are at hand. They are very pretty faces, too; look at one of these early dandelions closely and see how delicate it is and how soft the colors are. Some people make a rule of always wearing in their buttonhole the first dandelion they meet each year.

## THE WORLD'S FAIR.

Everybody has supposed all along that the St. Louis exposition would not come off before 1904 or 1905. With the best will in the world and all the money they want, there are still some things that are impossible even for Mr. Francis and his assistants. Now it begins to be said openly that the affair has been postponed. It is doubtful, however, if an official acknowledgment of this intention has been published. The Nebraska commission has just issued a circular in which 1908 is spoken of

as the date. This is an appeal to agricultural societies, signed by E. E. Bruce, the commissioner to whom this important section was assigned. "Members of your society should be notified," it says, "that this state will do everything possible to make the finest agricultural exhibit in its history. There will be cash premiums offered to the counties making the best showing."

Nebraska can make a magnificent

agricultural exhibit, there is no doubt of that. But it is pretty sure too, that the 1903 crops will be in ample time for the exposition.

## TIME TO PREACH.

Now that the iron columns made by non-union men have been taken out of the Labor Lyceum to make room for columns just like them that were sanctified by a walking delegate, the preaching of liberty can be resumed, in this town.—Brooklyn (N. Y.) Eagle.

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