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WHEN OUT OF TOWN: Subscribers leaving the city temporarily should have The Bee mailed to them.

It is time for the summer girl to come home, leaving her freckles behind her.

France has intervened to make the situation in Morocco less binding than it was.

The City railway of New York reports the loss of \$6,112,714. Haven't found it.

There's a vast difference between doing all the good you can and canning all the good you do.

Honors are easy again. Every time Mr. Taft buys a new horse, Mr. Bryan mounts a new hobby.

Aguinaldo is running for alderman in Manila. Can't Mr. Bryan say something for his old pal?

Mr. Bryan is to make a speech on bank failures. He is also qualified to make a speech on rank failures.

A murderer named Leak has escaped from the New York police. The plumbers should be sent to find him.

"Has Bryan grown?" asks the Springfield (Mass.) Union. Yes, measured by girth and his bank account.

A New York motorman claims to have saved. Now, we could have understood that if the man had been a conductor.

Another unfortunate feature of the Hains-Annis murder case is that it will be a signal for the mob squad to go into action again.

Candidate Sherman has been presented with a loving cup. The next thing in order is to present Candidate Kern with a shaving cup.

That good old democratic paper, the Cincinnati Enquirer, is a little discouraged, but still clings to the conviction that Bryan will carry Texas.

Prince Eitel Friederich of Germany is sawing wood several hours a day in order to keep down his obesity. Mr. Taft is also sawing some wood.

Great Britain is a little ahead of time with the request for a loan of \$500,000,000. The Nebraska farmers have not sold their crops yet.

Speaker Cannon says that in time Washington will be more beautiful than Paris. All of the presidential candidates doubtless think that Washington looks that way now.

"Bob" Burdette writes from abroad to say that there are more poets in Ireland than there are in Indiana. What's the difference? Most of the Indiana poets are Irish, anyway.

Congressman Burke of Pennsylvania says the office of president is infinitely more powerful than congress. We can see Mr. Burke's finish if Speaker Cannon happens to see that statement.

Another "Omaha to the Gulf" railroad is being planned. The space between the Atlantic and the Pacific is getting a little narrow to accommodate all of the "Omaha to the Gulf" railroads.

Mr. Bryan criticizes Mr. Taft for adding to the republican platform. In the meantime, the number of "paramount issues" which Mr. Bryan subcontracted from the democratic platform would fill several large volumes.

MARCH AND JULY.

In his acceptance speech Mr. Bryan declares that a platform is binding on the candidate and that it is furthermore binding "as to what it omits as well as what it contains."

In March of this year Mr. Bryan promulgated his political platform through the voice of the democratic convention in his own state of Nebraska, which formally launched his candidacy as Nebraska's favorite son and invited the other states to join in making him the third time presidential nominee.

In the first place, Mr. Bryan's paramount issue, or at least the expression of it, changed completely from March to July. In March the overshadowing issue was "Equal rights to all and special privileges to none."

In March Mr. Bryan declared the election of United States senators by direct vote to be "the gateway to all other national reforms."

In March Mr. Bryan was unqualifiedly for postal savings banks and wanted his bank deposit guaranty only as an additional measure of safety.

In March Mr. Bryan went on record in favor of an income tax, authority to impose the same to be secured by constitutional amendment and, in the interval, in favor of a national inheritance tax for which no constitutional amendment would be necessary.

In March Mr. Bryan was for drastic railroad regulation. He wanted both the nation and the various states to fix railroad values, based only on the cost of reproduction, while in July he wanted this valuation to be made by the Interstate Commerce commission alone and to take into consideration the physical value of the property, and all other elements of value.

The sudden switching of Mr. Bryan's position on labor and injunctions during the Denver convention was noticed at the time. In March, in his Nebraska platform, he favored without equivocation notice and full hearing before the issue of the injunction writ, trial before another judge and jury trials for all contempts committed outside of the court room.

In March Mr. Bryan went on record for a law to shut nonresident corporations out of federal courts and compel them to submit their local disputes to state courts. In July he forgot entirely to insert this pledge in the Denver platform and promises to be bound by the omission.

These are only a few of the discrepancies between Mr. Bryan's two platforms—the one on which he placed himself in March and the one on which he had himself nominated at Denver in July.

can smell petrol vapor more readily than any other known creature, and it has an added value in the fact that it squeals just as soon as it smells the vapor. When petrol vapor begins to escape in a submarine it is time for the craft to make a dash for the surface, for petrol fumes are deadly poison and their escape leads to speedy asphyxiation.

An enterprising American chemist has discovered the way of putting the white mice off guard. He has perfected a mechanical device which detects the slightest trace of petrol fumes and rings a gong that sounds loud and clear above any squeal that might be manufactured by the white mice crew.

Close on the heels of the report that the king of England and the emperor of Germany discussed, at their recent meeting, the feasibility of limiting the naval extension program of the two powers, comes the authenticated statement that the British government is about to raise a loan of \$500,000,000 for the purpose of distancing all attempts on the part of Germany or any other rival power to compete with Britain in naval armaments.

British officials are apparently in the hands of the magazines, some of which have become real muckrakers in calling attention to the country's danger of being outstripped in the naval race. The magazine and review editors insist that England must prepare for a war, either with Germany or with some Asiatic power.

It is easy enough to make blue prints of a powerful battleship squadron, but it takes cold cash and lots of it to turn these ships out of the navy yard, and there England is apparently at a disadvantage, so far as plans for outstripping Germany in a navy construction program is concerned.

All the evidence shows that Hains acted with deliberation in accordance with a preconceived plan of vengeance, and he was in collusion with his brother. He carried out his evident intent to murder Annis and to publish to the world the whole miserable story of his domestic troubles.

Unwittingly, perhaps, Mrs. James Brown Potter, known to fame through the stage and the divorce courts, has placed many men under lasting obligations to her by a little book she has just published, captioned, "The Secrets of Beauty and the Mysteries of Health."

The law makes no discrimination between types of men in its written injunction, "Thou shalt not kill." All the laws on this subject since the time of Moses have been directed to the protection of human life, and the safeguarding of the individual.

Accepting, for the sake of argument, "the unwritten law," the killing at Flushing, Long Island, can not, by any stretch of the imagination or the arguments, come within that law. Admitting that Captain Hains was deeply wronged, he did not take the law in his own hands on impulse after the disclosure. He did not seek out immediately and put to death the despoiler of his home, as is customary with those who appeal to "the unwritten law."

Assuming the guilt of Annis, the alleged destroyer of the Hains home, pity would be wasted upon him, but his character does not rob the manner of

MARCH AND JULY---WHAT A DIFFERENCE!

Bryan's Nebraska Platform, March, 1908. Bryan's Denver Platform, July, 1908.

THE PARAMOUNT ISSUE

"Equal rights to all and special privileges to none." This is the overshadowing issue at this time; it manifests itself in all the questions now under discussion and demands immediate consideration.

We favor the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people and regard this reform as the gateway to all other national reforms.

We favor an income tax as part of our revenue system and we urge the submission of a constitutional amendment specifically authorizing congress to levy and collect a tax upon individual and corporate incomes to the end that wealth may bear its proportionate share of the burden of the federal government.

We believe that both the nation and the various states should first ascertain the present value of the railroads, measured by the cost of reproduction; second, prohibit the issue of any more watered stock or fictitious capitalization; third, prohibit the railroads from engaging in any business which brings them into competition with other jobs; and, fourth, reduce transportation rates until they reach a point where they will yield only a reasonable return on the present value of the roads, such reasonable return being defined as a return sufficient to keep the stock of the roads at par when such roads are honestly capitalized.

We favor such a modification of the law relating to injunctions as will first prevent the issuing of such injunctions until after notice to defendants and full hearing; second, permit trial before a judge other than the one who issued the writ; and, third, allow a jury to be summoned in all cases where the alleged contempt is committed outside of the presence of the court.

We insist upon the recognition of the distinction between the natural man and the artificial person called a corporation, and we favor the enactment of such law as may be necessary to compel foreign corporations to submit their local disputes to courts of the states in which they do business, and thus place themselves upon the same footing as domestic corporations.

The difference between Mr. Taft's promise of tariff revision and Mr. Bryan's pledges in the same direction is that Mr. Taft, if elected, will be in position to redeem his pledge, while Mr. Bryan, if elected, would be powerless to accomplish anything with a republican senate arrayed against his free trade plans.

"American jokes do not travel," says the Detroit News, which apparently has overlooked the fact that the socialist candidate for the presidency is going across the country in a special train, scattering speeches on the way.

The sheriff of Saratoga county, New York, where the races are soon to be held, says that a bet is not a bet unless he sees it made. Willing to lay a small wager that he will be looking the other way.

King Edward and Emperor William are said to have discussed the limitation of their navies at their recent conference. Chances are that each thought he was fooling the other.

"The automobile is rapidly diminishing the aristocracy," says the New York World. It is also diminishing the common people, too rapidly.

Top Notch of Optimism. Minneapolis Journal. The whole crop is turning out in a way to make the farmer as cheerful as the Lincoln, Neb. hotel keeper.

Takes the Blue Ribbon. Baltimore American. The report comes from Nebraska that a man there shot his wife because she wouldn't talk. As far as the Ananias record is concerned the fish and sea serpent stories are now outclassed.

Keeping in the Spotlight. Minneapolis Journal. Candidate Chafin, having fallen into the water tank out west, and having stopped half a brick with his person at Springfield, will, if he is going to keep in the limelight, have to lose his diamonds, or do a buck and wing with Mrs. Nation.

Reciprocal Boosting. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Judge Parker is laboring for the Bryan cause in California, which recalls the fact that Bryan's campaign in Nebraska for Parker kept the republican majority in the state down to 58.000.

Rare and Royal Record. New York Tribune. At 78 years of age the Austrian kaiser ranks as one of the world's grandest old men—old in years and grand in the almost infinite patience, tact and benevolence with which he has held the balance true among the many jangling and jarring elements of his conglomerate realm.

Where Real Fighting is Assured. Washington Star. If the government should take up the question of regulating the theatrical trust some real fighting may be looked for. Men who have been accustomed to dealing with grand opera singers and burlesque comedians develop a fearlessness of vocabulary which no lawyer can hope to equal.

Where Justice Falls Down. San Francisco Chronicle. The miscarriages of justice which we continually see are not the result of venality or incompetence. They are the result of the fine-split technicalities which have grown out of generations of technical study by clear and analytical minds. Nearly all of them are logical from generally accepted premises. In the aggregate their result is almost a breakdown of our judicial system. In such criminal cases as those which have occupied our courts in this city for the last year there is not merely a breakdown. There is a smashup.

SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

Baltimore American: The pope declares that Americans have the gift of tact to a degree unknown to other nationalities. Even those who deny his infallibility will hedge on his dictum in this respect.

St. Louis Times: We may in time forget the singer, but "The Ninety and Nine" and other great hymns from the heart and pen of Ira D. Sankey will insist on remaining in the memory.

Brooklyn Eagle: Bishop Green has come home with a very simple plan for a reform which has troubled his church for years. He says that if it was a socially disgraceful to get divorced as it is to get drunk, we should hear no more about the United States as the home of divorce.

Springfield Republican: What a picture that is of the thousands of men and women at Old Orchard, the other day, wildly tumbling over each other to give their offerings "to the Lord" at the missionary meeting of the Christian alliance.

He-Do you believe that silence gives content? She-I certainly do. He-Well, when I ask your father for your hand, I shall not account for myself in the room.—Yonkers Statesman.

"Remember, when you and Geoffrey going to be married?" "Just as soon as I say the word." "When are you going to say the word?" "Just as soon as he asks me."—Chicago Tribune.

He-You are the only girl I ever loved. Her-But you have had a lot of affairs. Him-Yes, but all I did was to tell 'em they were the only girls I ever loved, and all that sort of kidding.—Houston Post.

He (in the hammock)—Dare I light my cigar? She (also in the hammock)—Do you wish us to be burned to death in that light? He-A cigar? She-A match.—The Bohemian.

"My husband is always cross as a bear at the breakfast table and delightfully agreeable at dinner. I can't account for it." "That's easy. You want money for shopping in the morning don't you? The stores are all closed at night."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Crags—You look warm. Why don't you go where it's cooler? He-Well, I know a place only six miles from here where the thermometer drops way below zero. Stragg—What are you giving me? Where is this place?

Mrs. Lushington—And there you were, at 3 o'clock in the morning, hugging that clean shaven fellow? Mr. Lushington—Surely, my dear, you are not jealous?—Judge.

Hicks—So Mr. Gayboy is going to spend a fortnight at Old Orchard while his wife is in the mountains? Hicks—Yes, what of it? Hicks—Oh, nothing—only she ought to tie a string around his finger to remind him that he is married.—Somerville Journal.

Office Boy—The editor is much obliged to you for allowing him to see your drawing, but much regrets he is unable to use them. Pair Artist (tearfully)—Did he say that? Office Boy (triumphantly)—Well, not exactly. He just said "Take 'em away, Joe; they make me sick."—Harper's Weekly.

Crags—Straight up. Take a balloon.—Cleveland Plain Dealer. "How do you cultivate the society of that deaf and dumb couple so assiduously?" "I don't have to listen to the smart things their 2-year-old gets off."—Baltimore American.

"THE NINETY AND NINE." Elizabeth C. Clephane's Poem, Made Famous by Sankey's Singing. There were ninety and nine that safely lay in the shelter of the fold; But one was out on the hills away Far off from the gates of gold, Away from the mountains wild and bare, Away from the tender Shepherd's care.

"Lord, thou hast here thy ninety and nine! Are they not enough for thee?" But the Shepherd made answer: "'T is one of 'em."

But none of the ransomed ever knew How dark was the night that the Lord passed through. Ere he found hee sheen that was lost. Out in the desert he heard its cry. Sick and helpless and ready to die.

"Lord, whence are these blood-drops all the way?" "That mark out the mountain track?" "The sheep shed for, one who had gone astray." "Ere the Shepherd could bring him back." "Lord, whence are thy hands so rent and sore?"

"They are pierced tonight by many a thorn." But all through the mountains, thunder-riven, And up from the rocky steep, There rose a cry to the gates of heaven. "Rejoice! I have found my sheep!" And the angels chanted around the throne, "Rejoice! for the Lord brings back his own!"

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