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Sis! Boom! Ah! Keep sane and play safe.

It was just 123 years ago that they did the daring which we celebrate.

The car and the base ball umpire appear to be in the same class—no body loves them.

Cuba must be getting back to the Spanish idea. A bill has been passed legalizing cock fighting and the lottery measure is well on the way.

The camping season is on in full blast and the man with a sure dandelion exterminator has given way to the man with a mosquito bite cure.

The sugar trust prosecutions are very disappointing to the democrats, who have been clamoring loudly for them, but hoping they would not materialize.

Another Texas man has been drowned in a bathtub, but if those Texans will persevere they will in time learn how to use these modern-day appliances.

President Hadley's doctrine of having faith in humanity is all right, but be careful, just the same, about loaning a friend your umbrella for a few minutes on a rainy day.

Mark Twain has abandoned the role of theatrical angel. As the project did not pay, he could see no humor in it. Mark is displaying sense as well as nonsense in his old age.

Just because the suffragettes are going to move their headquarters from Washington to New York the congressmen are not at liberty to imagine that they are to be immune on that account.

Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt said, "I don't care what anyone says," which is a more polished way of putting it, but it means the same as the famous remark of his more brusque ancestor.

It is authoritatively announced that John D. Rockefeller has gone to Cleveland for the summer, but it is not stated whether he will try to arbitrate the differences between his Cleveland pastor and his New York pastor.

Former Sultan Abdul Hamid has given the government of Turkey another check for \$5,000,000. How nice it is to have a lemon like that to squeeze whenever the treasury runs low.

Count Zeppelin is the latest to declare his intention to reach the North Pole by means of a dirigible balloon. The count's previous achievements with dirigibles, however, give his talk some sound.

Speaker Cannon has promised to sit on the house appropriation lid at the next session. With Taft, Cannon and Aldrich located on the treasury cover it is a fair guess that it will take something of a pry to lift it.

The exclusively-for-women cars in the New York subway have been abandoned because the women refused to patronize them. No reason, for their refusal has been figured out, but in all probability it is "because."

The German kaiser has sworn to maintain peace, "with God's help." The fact that the kaiser recognizes the need of assistance would lead to suspicion that the situation is more serious than generally supposed.

Lincoln and the Declaration.

An army of Fourth of July orators will expound the Declaration of Independence from many points of view, but none of them will approach the simple statement of the immortal Lincoln, expressing his view of its meaning.

In the speech delivered at Springfield, June 26, 1857, occasioned by the Dred Scott decision, Lincoln said: "I think that the authors of that notable instrument intended to include all men, but they did not intend to declare all men equal in all respects."

They defined with tolerable distinctness in what respects they did consider all men created equal—equal with "certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

These words of Lincoln should help us to comprehend the meaning of the Declaration of Independence, whose signing is annually commemorated by our Fourth of July celebrations, and they will well repay reading and re-reading by every one who enjoys the blessings of American liberty and the priceless privileges of our free institutions.

Responsibility.

A recent colloquy in the United States senate, in which the senator from Rhode Island asked the senator from Missouri for his authority for certain statements, elicited this response: "It is rather an impertinence on the part of the senator from Rhode Island to call my statement in question and ask me to furnish him the proof."

Here we have a new sidelight on senatorial courtesy, which has previously passed almost unnoticed. According to this code the only persons interested in the truthfulness of a senator are his constituents at home, and if they do not see fit to complain it is no one's business.

A senator may make a false statement, wilfully or accidentally, and it must go unchallenged if his constituents have no fault to find with it.

Truth is mighty and will prevail—everywhere but in the United States senate.

Military Training.

Accepting as settled the propositions that an effective army cannot be improvised, and that under existing conditions of world unrest an army may be needed at any time, inquiry turns to how best to supply the possible want. Any plan that will provide the United States with a larger number of trained men at no greater expense than is borne for the support of the standing army is entitled to consideration.

Colonel Glassford, who is in charge of the signal corps post at Fort Omaha, has a plan which he supports with arguments derived from his experience as a soldier and student of military problems.

The chief difficulty that confronts the American nation in event of war is an insufficient number of properly trained men. No one doubts the ability of the United States to put into the field any number of men at the first call to arms.

But a very large percentage of these men are either raw recruits or only partially trained national guardsmen. Unfamiliar with camp routine, extensively ignorant of the arms with which they are equipped and totally unprepared for the serious business of an army, these volunteers fall entirely short of the requirements of a modern army, and many months are needed to lick them into shape for real work.

This has always been the experience of the American people in the wars they have fought, and the victory that has come to American arms has been purchased at a tremendous cost in life that might have been avoided if the volunteers had been properly fitted for the duties of a soldier.

And nowadays warfare is projected, if at all, on a scale so widely different from any in which American soldiers have ever been engaged that the volunteers would be helpless at the outset.

No manufacturer would think of installing raw and unskilled workmen in his shops, entrusting to their awkward hands the care of delicate machinery, and expect finished product from them.

Yet this in effect is what the American people has come to expect of its army. Men unused to firearms, even, are expected to give over life in comfortable homes for existence on the tented field, to take hold of the complicated machinery with which an up-to-date army is outfitted and produce finished work.

It was this indifference to proper preparation that warranted the military experts of Europe in predicting success for the Spaniards in 1898, and it is similar in-

difference that leaves the nation continually liable to tremendous unnecessary loss of life in case a war should arise. A big man may gain respect for his size, but he ought also to be familiar with the rudiments at least of the science of self-defense if he wants to be certain of success in case he is suddenly attacked; and size does not carry with it immunity from attack.

Colonel Glassford proposes a plan that has the attraction at least of practicality. It will not increase the size or expense of the army, but it will increase its effectiveness by returning each year to civil life a number of highly trained men, each capable of serving at a maximum of efficiency when called upon.

Political Assassinations.

Great Britain is wrought up over the assassination of a high Indian office employe by a fanatical Parsee, and well it may be. While other European nations, and even the United States, have been the theater for such crimes, Great Britain has been long immune. India itself has witnessed several such outbreaks, but this is the first time in recent years that the propaga-nda of violence has been carried home to England in spite of the fact that it has furnished a refuge for foreign agitators.

Whether the deed is the impulse of one man or a part of a general plan is what most concerns Great Britain. If the former, there is no more cause for alarm than over any other violent crime, but if the latter there would be no telling where the next blow will fall.

Great Britain contains a large number of East Indians and there is no denying there is great dissatisfaction with British rule in their country. The character of the Hindoo makes him particularly dangerous should he once decide upon such a campaign.

He is fanatical to a degree and utterly indifferent to his personal fate. Such conspirators would be dangerous at all times and particularly when urged on by a consistent propaga-nda. The Sepoy rebellion recalls the terrible lengths to which he is capable of going, and if the East Indians have really started on a terrorist campaign it is likely to be a nerve-racking affair.

An Important Legal Decision.

The decree of the Iowa supreme court that lake beds and the beds of non-navigable rivers belong to the state constitutes a decision destined to have a far-reaching effect on drainage projects. While the decision is binding in no state except Iowa, the precedent set is likely to be followed in other states where drainage projects are undertaken.

Northern Iowa, particularly, contains a large number of shallow lakes which can be drained and converted into agricultural land at comparatively small outlay, and the tendency to do so has led to much litigation to preserve lakes which the common good demands should be retained.

Whatever other effects the law has, it will tend to stop the drainage of real lakes, since the direct financial benefit is not so likely to tempt the state as it would a private individual.

In rendering this decision the Iowa supreme court has also undoubtedly cut out for itself much litigation in the future determining titles to lake beds already drained and defining what constitutes a lake within the meaning of the law.

The Iowa court is used to that, however, as the cases will be legitimate successors to the prolonged swamp land disputes.

Cutting a Big Melon.

The commodities clause decision by the United States supreme court has forced the cutting of the richest melon ever carved for the stockholders of an American railroad. Of the so-called coal roads, the Lackawanna held its coal lands directly and operated the mines.

Because the supreme court held this illegal, the forced disposition of this property will bring the stockholders a dividend of 150 per cent. This amount, of course, does not represent current earnings, but is the accumulation of years, in addition to the regular dividends.

Incidentally the Lackawanna is regarded as a model of railroad financing and stands in a class by itself. Its total stock issue is only \$31,000,000 and it has no bonded indebtedness, the last of its bonds having recently been retired. In addition to the coal property it has \$32,000,000 cash and quick assets and no debts of any kind except bills in course of current business.

It shows what honest capitalization will do for a railroad. Its rates necessarily are the same as those of other roads operating in the same territory and yet its regular dividends are 20 per cent, one-fifth of which has come from the coal companies.

In addition to this large dividend and the distribution of the coal company assets there is more than enough cash in the treasury to pay an additional 100 per cent dividend on the stock should the directors desire to do so.

There is room for doubt that the forced separation of the railroad from direct participation in the coal busi-

Death of Young Ministers.

Protestant church organizations complain of a scarcity of candidates for the ministry. In the United States it is estimated that while 3,500 recruits are required each year to supply the demand for extension of service and retirements, the seminaries will graduate only 3,000 this year.

The same condition has prevailed for some time past, although in the various colleges interest in religious work and bible class attendance has increased. Increasing facilities are being provided and more scholarships founded for educating men for the ministry, but even this does not seem to remedy the evils complained of.

As one reason, it is suggested that to apply the monetary standard to religious endeavor is not idealistic, but it applies itself just the same. The minister owes the same duty to his family that other men do and the ministerial profession does not as a rule afford the means to meet it.

The city pulpits, especially in larger churches, pay good salaries, but the great mass of ministers live and always will serve pulpits in small towns and in outside suburban or rural districts. The compensation of these men is often pitifully small in proportion to the demands upon them and their position in the community lacking in that independence which is essential to self-respect.

It requires either courage of a high type or optimism unbounded to choose deliberately the ministry as a life work, and that accounts for the fewness of those graduating from theological seminaries as compared with the multitudes turned out by other professional schools.

Harmful, Though Groundless.

Official investigation of charges made by former Inspector Harms of East St. Louis against the meat inspection service there has resulted in a clean bill for the inspectors and a sweeping refutation of the charges. The government cannot afford to ignore such charges, because inefficient inspection strikes at the healthfulness of the nation's food supply, but such flimsy disclosures are calculated to do an irreparable injury to a great industry.

Prejudice against American meats is assiduously cultivated by producers in Europe. Every such charge is seized upon and worked to the limit to increase the distrust and to secure further restrictive legislation against the imports from America. Meat and meat products are one of the largest items of our exports and anything which curtails the market for them reacts directly not only upon the big packing concerns, but upon the producer.

The sensation-seeker is, therefore, particularly reprehensible when he wilfully misrepresents conditions in the packing houses for the sake of notoriety or revenge. Former Inspector Harms is characterized in the report as a disgruntled employe, but he has doubtless worked great injury to the foreign trade of the packers, though the domestic business has doubtless not been seriously affected.

Jeffersonian Simplicity in Georgia.

Governor Joe Brown of Georgia has evidently started in to rival a former noted chief executive of Indiana. Governor Brown has adopted blue jeans as the sartorial standard and has banished the ice cooler from the executive office. In its stead he has resorted to the old-fashioned water bucket and the gourd dipper.

Governor Brown is new yet and what other peculiarities he will develop during his term is uncertain, but it would not be strange to see a well digger at work on the state house grounds any day and the old oaken bucket, with its moss-covered brim, supplanting the hydrant.

If it is Governor Brown's purpose in all things to revert to Jeffersonian simplicity, the news correspondents have been woefully remiss in furnishing detailed information. They failed to tell us whether the governor wore knitted galuses, cowhide boots and a straw hat gone to seed.

They also failed to record whether the executive bedchamber was equipped with a hunk mattress and an old roped bedstead and such other luxuries as our forefathers used to enjoy. In the absence of detailed information on these points we refrain from passing judgment whether Georgia's governor is the real brand of Jeffersonian simplicity.

Mr. Carnegie is going to write a magazine story and tell us how much he spent for libraries, and how it made him feel to spend it. He should follow up this story by another one confessing just how he made it—Mr. Bryan's Compeer.

Yes, and include in the story how Mr. Bryan successfully solicited the money for the Carnegie library at Lincoln and rushed into the newspapers to make sure that no one else should have the credit for standing in so closely with Mr. Carnegie.

Mr. Bryan's Compeer is in favor of an amendment to the federal constitution to permit the levying of income taxes in the future. It is also in favor of imposing an income tax law immediately, and likewise in favor of the proposed tax on corporation incomes. It wants all three income tax measures if it can only get them, and if it cannot get all three it will take

any one of them. Anything that looks like an income tax looks good to Mr. Bryan.

The senate is in a quandary over which of two busts of Roosevelt to accept. One represents him in thoughtful repose and the other in a strenuous pose. Before passing judgment they should try to find someone who can vouch that the pose of thoughtful repose is really true to life.

The sultan of Morocco is certainly a brave man. When he could not defeat the forces of the pretender to the throne he took the pretender's mother out and had her publicly whipped. That must have made her presumptuous son feel hurt.

According to press report, the siffraette convention at Seattle admitted the Spokane delegates without giving them the right to vote in the convention. A mere man is led to inquire where the equal suffrage principle comes in.

Sir Thomas Lipton is again talking of challenging for the America's cup. Like the case of the bull who fought the locomotive, people cannot help admiring Sir Thomas' courage, even if they cannot praise his discretion.

Comparative Happiness.

It is estimated that 200,000 Americans will buy autos during the coming year. But that is not a circumstance to the number who will continue to ride on street cars and be happy.

Millions in Sunshine.

Philadelphia Press. Don't make yourself better by complaining about the weather. Every day it adds \$1,000,000 at least to the value of the corn crop. Prosperity for the farmer means prosperity for the whole country. Let it sizzle!

Sculptor of the Lincoln Statue.

Springfield Republican. One of the most interesting art matters of the day is that Daniel Chester French is to do the Abraham Lincoln statue for the Nebraska state house grounds at Lincoln. Mr. French thus succeeds, with just credit, to the honor of St. Gaudens, as Elsie to the mantle of Eljah.

Cost of Armed Peace.

Philadelphia Record. There probably has never been in the past history of civilized nations such amazing expenditure in the preparation for war. Yet there is no war in sight. The tremendous drain upon the resources of the powers may soon reach a point where armed peace is more costly than actual fighting. The pretext of armaments keeps the peace more broken down of its own weight, brings on war as the lesser evil.

Calculation of Losses Well Up in Nine Figures.

Philadelphia Ledger. An expert of the geological survey has made the estimate that the damage inflicted by smoke in the United States every year amounts to more than \$60,000,000 in the destruction of merchandise, the injury of buildings and exposed metals, the damage done to plant and animal life, and in the greatly increased cost of housekeeping.

Whether this enormous sum includes the direct waste of fuel involved in the production of the smoke which in turn pollutes the air and becomes such a deadly menace to the health and lives of the thousands and tens of thousands compelled to breathe it, does not appear. It is certain, however, that the men who are responsible could once be made to realize what this loss and waste amounts to, there would be instant efforts to secure a reform. Unfortunately the greater loss falls on others, it is so widely disseminated that it is easy to shift the responsibility, and so the crime goes on.

MOVING PICTURE OF WOE.

Heartrending Fate of Colonel Bryan's Prize Jackass. It is not necessary to recall to the enlightened political economists of this nation how important was the part played in the last national campaign by the jackass given to Hon. William Jennings Bryan of Lincoln, Neb., by the Minnesota state fair. It is fresh in mind that the jack was welcomed at Fairview with enthusiasm and gratitude; that a valet newspaper correspondent undertook to ride it; that this man was thrown ignominiously by the symbolical representative of democracy; that Colonel Bryan, eager to compliment the bestowers of the gift, immortalized the name of the gentleman whose bravery was tested on its back, and to describe properly the function of the beast, named it Major Minnamacot; and that in a moment of prodigal generosity or enlightened self-interest the colonel offered to give it to the voting precinct which showed the largest percentage of gain in democratic ballots cast at the election.

Major Minnamacot became an institution as a navigator, gruntingly admitted that he knew when to get in out of a rain. General Prosperity pulled off a rare stunt in Malden Lane, New York, last week. An expert jester paid \$100 for forty-four pounds of brass filings represented as gold.

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Vacation Time. Is your house furniture insured against loss by Fire, Lightning, Windstorm, Burglars and Thieves while you are away on your vacation trip? We issue policies of insurance covering against all such losses. The Hartford Fire Insurance Co. publishes an interesting book on fire prevention and fire insurance. We will send it to you on request. We have money to loan on city real estate. B. L. BALDWIN & CO., General Insurance Agents, 1221 Farnam Street. Phone Douglas 271.

SERMONS BOILED DOWN.

Gifts to God can never make up for thefts from men. He who honestly seeks to save another finds himself. He never has a message who does not know how to listen to what would happen then when it made woman eligible to jury duty? "What would happen?" "They might get husbands and wives on the same jury, and then they would be sure to disagree."—Baltimore American.

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"Who's that a-hollerin' down yander in the woods?" "That's the prodigal son, the older man's a-whinin' thunder out o' him fer runnin' away."—Atlanta Constitution.

SECULAR SHOTS AT THE PULPIT.

Boston Transcript: Just as the discussion of his strictures on American colleges becomes heated Bishop McPaul comes to the relief of the situation with the assertion that he has been misquoted.

Chicago Record-Herald: Voliva, who deposed Dowie, is said to be out, but still fighting. For a city that was founded to hasten the advent of peace on earth, etc., Zion doesn't seem to have been conspicuously successful.

Washington Post: A leading Indianapolis minister is preaching against card playing by women, and calls it "an appalling waste of time." It will dawn on him after a while that he is one who is wasting time. Card playing among women has come to stay.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: It is a Missouri preacher who is just now retiring from a ministry of half a century in which he never received a cent of pay in cash. Such men have saved Missouri from the worst effects of Bourbonism, even while many of them were voting for Bourbonism.

Philadelphia Record: The pope in refusing to ride in the new automobile sent him by American Catholics gave as a reason for his abstention that he was setting a good example to cardinals. He had, however, a still better reason. His journeying is confined within the limits of the Vatican. The chief value of the automobile is in its extension of the area of swift and comfortable movement.

PERSONAL AND OTHERWISE.

Chicago piled up a total of \$306 June bills without drawing upon the overflow hatched at St. Joe.

Diligent reading of the Congressional Record is warranted to put asleep the liveliest member of the Ginger club.

Reports of the fighting of London suffragettes tends to discredit the assertion that Englishmen seek American helpmates for their money.

Foreign doctors give mystic names to Mr. Harriman's ailment, but the probabilities are some indigestible securities got stuck in his system.

The marine engineers who refused honorary membership to Noah and flouted his ability as a navigator, gruntingly admitted that he knew when to get in out of a rain.

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DOMESTIC PLEASANTRIES.

"According to Dr. Elliot, marriage is the best occupation for women." "That's all right, but what's to be done for those who can't get jobs?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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THE HOT WAVE DILEMMA.

Baltimore American. To growl or not to growl—that's the question. Whether 'tis better for a man to suffer The roasts and broiling of outrageous weather. Or to cut loose and relieve his feelings. In torrid lines of talki To talk—and talk! And talk against Ay, there's the rub! For every one to whom one tells his anger.

His real, unbiased idea of the weather. Wants to talk, too, and tell to the last minute. What he's thinking 'bout is There's the respect. Which makes calamity of too much grievance.

It is a jolt to find that others also Share in this grievance just as much as we do. For still we feel that no one ever suffered To have the dire and hard extent that we do.

But to the point, isn't better to be silent. Join a "Don't Worry" Club, or Mental Science. And strive to think we just imagine it is sultry.

Until the effort to keep quiet sets us crazy. Or all the sizzling force of heated, pent-up feelings Explodes with dire destruction of our patience. Or fuses and fume and loudly raise our voices.

In protest 'gainst the weather man, the sodas, The mercury, the office work, the house-flies. The gay mosquitoes and the early milk-man.

And whatever else we find about us. To vent our wrath on and indulge bad temper? While in process helps to make us feel the cooler.

Or which more fires our blood with heated flogging? It is a problem to take up and ponder. When in a hammock in a breezy corner. With a cooling off, a stack high of big palm-leaves.

A glass of icy liquid with a stick within. And other such first aids to solemn thought. An give us pause!

OCCASIONALLY YOU BREAK YOUR GLASSES. You need them all the time. Bring the pieces to us. We will duplicate the broken lens, no matter where the glass came from. We can make the new lens exactly like the old, with only the old pieces to go by. Many times the work can be done while you wait. But you can always have them the same day. This is a point worth remembering if you wear glasses.

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