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The Japanese are good waiters. says the Boston Post. How about their batting averages?

We are making immense strides, says a British suffragette. Then she is not wearing the hobble skirt.

As the world's series probably will be over before November, election may be able to attract some attention.

Those West Point cadets are showing the force of concerted action, which is one of the points in an army's efficiency.

It is sometimes difficult to see the advantage of justice being blind. As, for instance, in the case of Mr. Lee O'Neil Brown.

Texas refuses to admit that its magnificent growth in population is due to the well-known fact that Mr. Bryan owns a farm there.

A cat lit on an Iowa woman's chancery hat, but with a chicken on top and a rat or two beneath, could you blame the cat?

"My notion about progress," says Uncle Joe, "is that it should be a forward movement." Even the insurgents can endorse that.

Talk about prosperity and the hired girl problem. A hotel at Chadron had to close its dining room because it could not get waitresses.

A season or two more and aviation should be so far advanced that some of its champions could find profitable engagements in vaudeville.

Somebody has neglected to announce that the heavy increase in population is due to the influence of Mr. Hearst and his newspapers.

The Boston Herald claims that the "real" Boston has 1,500,000 population. Then this they are panicking off on us is just a bogus city, is it?

It is all very well to try to dodge the issue by talking about the "shadow of 1911," but what is before us just now is something more tangible than a shadow.

T. H. Tibbles has elaborately explained who Mr. Hitchcock is. Now if Mr. Hitchcock will only tell the waiting world all he knows about Tibbles the case may be considered as made up.

The United States court of customs is wrestling with the problem, "Is a hen a bird?" If the court wants expert testimony it should consult the farm wives of Nebraska, who realize that a properly constituted hen is a gold mine.

South Omaha annexationists are coming through with their petitions in good shape and will have plenty of signers in time for the county commissioners to act. The move for the union of the two cities is in better shape than ever.

Tom Watson has bolted again and is advising Georgia democrats to vote against Hoke Smith. Therefore the Houston Post remarks that it kept Tom in the party for seven weeks, anyway. It probably took Tom that long to find out that he had no show at the pie counter.

Enemy's Advice to Taft.

Some leading democratic papers have suddenly become very solicitous in behalf of fair play toward President Taft, so much so that they are apprehensive lest his old friend and associate, former President Roosevelt, impose on him. So they are advising the president to "swat the colonel."

No amount of interested misrepresentation can blind the eyes of the majority of the people to this fact and the opposition is but wasting time and energy in making such an attempt. It has itself chosen to set up at different stages its own bogey men, and every time they have fallen flat and with nothing but a reflex action upon those responsible for them.

Government Quietly at Work.

It is the habit of the Taft administration to work quietly, but work. Therefore it must not be surprising to most people to learn that the government is engaged in ever "trust-busting" today than it has ever been.

This must be gratifying to those who believe in the serious determination of the government to outlaw predatory combines, and it must be a severe rebuke to those who have been peddling the reports that no more "trust-busting" would be undertaken until the Standard Oil case was off hand.

It is probably true that the vigilance of the government has finally convinced trust barons that it will not do for them to adhere to the old methods of conspiring to restrain trade, and now the government is starting out to teach them a similar lesson about their so-called "gentlemen's agreements."

"Utilizing Waste Land."

Under this caption a Boston paper has a very interesting editorial treating of western land, what has been done and what may be done to increase its productivity and value. Our eastern friends are taking a deep interest in the welfare and development of the west and some of them have gone to the pains of really getting first-hand information about what we are doing with our soil and crops, while others apparently are not so well informed as to understand that the greatest results in this line being achieved today are in the west; that the west is setting the example in intensified farming, as well as land reclamation.

A writer in the current number of the Outlook presents some very interesting and, indeed, surprising statistics as to the agricultural output of Massachusetts and the work of soil and forestry conservation. For instance, he says near Boston one-half acre of strawberries produces 5,000 quarts, which bring a sum of \$625. This would be \$1,250 per acre; certainly a paying crop. But he tells us that "within fifty miles of Boston there is said to be enough land uncultivated, yet suitable for farming, to feed the entire population of 3,000,000 or so within the same radius and yet have a surplus for export. And such land sells as low as \$50 per acre."

This being true, then we of the west may be pardoned for inviting more of a co-operation from our eastern

War on Tuberculosis.

Last year twenty-eight states gave \$4,000,000 toward the campaign against tuberculosis. This year already \$8,000,000 has been appropriated from all sources for the same purpose. Last year in seven states new sanatoria were built and in six old ones repaired, while today sanatoria are maintained in twenty-seven states and the national government has one each in New Mexico and Arizona. These facts are taken from a report compiled in the Medical Record.

Headless to the Fore.

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A Gettysburg Anniversary.

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Our Birthday Book

September 28, 1910. Frances E. Willard, founder of the Woman's Christian Temperance union, was born September 28, 1839, near Rochester, N. Y. She was president of Evanston college and active in various movements for the self-advancement of women. Henry MacCracken, chancellor of New York university, was born September 28, 1846, at Oxford, O. He was ordained in the Presbyterian ministry in 1873, but has devoted most of his life to educational work. John A. Dempster, the life insurance man, is celebrating his 76th birthday today. He was born in Dundee, Ill., and served in the union army from the beginning to the end of the war. He moved to Nebraska in 1871 and has been superintendent of agents for the Bankers' Reserve Life of Omaha since 1898. He is running for the legislature on the republican ticket. Charles G. Hunt of Hunt & Elliott, wall paper and painting, is just 88. He was born in Cincinnati and has been in Omaha since 1857. Frank H. Koester, in the superintendent's office of the Union Pacific shops, was born September 28, 1837, in Omaha. He worked for the Burlington road until 1888, when he was employed by the street railway company, resigning in 1907 to work for the Union Pacific. He is secretary of the Veteran Fireman association of Omaha.

Around New York

Snippets on the Current of Life as Seen in the Great American Metropolis from Day to Day.

Although meeting discouragements at every turn, disgusted by the petty tricks of trade cheats, "Clem" Driscoll derives occasional amusement from his war on false weights and measures in the metropolis. Just for a change of scenery he led his raiding staff to the "farmers' market place" in Brooklyn, expecting to find honesty there in all its glory. At the close of the inspection 600 short-weight baskets and barrels had been counted. The 200 bushel baskets taken from farmers' wagons weighed but forty pounds instead of sixty, the barrels held 120 pounds instead of 150 pounds, as required by law. The farmers blamed the wicked basket and barrel makers for their short measures. The activity of the street in another direction is causing much uneasiness among makers of barrel scales. Mr. Driscoll does not like the machine that weighs and tells the price of the goods at the same time. Some of the scale charts in the commissioner's possession show that a man who goes into a store and asks for 20 cents' worth of meat may get anything from one pound and fourteen ounces to two pounds and one ounce. The commercial value for all the intermediate weights is 30 cents. This wide range of choice does not conform to the commissioner's idea of honest weighing.

Cost of Railroads.

Estimates of cost are often exceeded in the actual construction. But are the estimates of Panama so deluded as to estimate that they can build a railroad through the difficult country of Panama at a cost of less than \$30,000 per mile, while in the United States the average cost as expressed in capitalization is three times as great? There is certainly a wide discrepancy here, and on which side it lies is indicated by the semi-official statements made on behalf of the Pennsylvania railroad in contrast to its vast expenditure on the New York terminals that the average cost of constructing a mile of railroad in the United States is \$25,000.

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PERSONAL NOTES.

Mrs. M. A. Baldwin was recently elected school trustee at Groton, N. Y. She is the president of the Political Equality league and more than half the men present at the school meeting are said to have voted for her. Although the only woman on the board she was made a member of its executive committee. Among the marriages of persons of fully mature years recently reported is that of a New York man of 34 who is the proud groom of a blushing bride of 30, who were engaged sixty years ago. These deliberate lovers did not marry in haste, and consequently did not leave themselves a large amount of leisure to repent in.

MIRTHFUL REMARKS.

Atlas suddenly began to show signs of weakness. "I'll have just heard," he said, shifting the burden to the other shoulder, "that this globe I am holding up weighs 7,000,000,000 tons!" "Thus we see, despite the old maxim that knowledge is not always power," Chicago Tribune. "The stranger—Is this a pretty healthy neighborhood?" The Native-You bet it is. "This ain't hip & death here in Sears," replied the undertaker as he died of starvation. "Harper's Weekly." "Freddie—What is philanthropy, dad?" "Cousin—Compromising on your conscience for a few cents on the dollar, my son—Puck."

ON DEATH.

Where is the promethium heat, that left the helpless much too soon. Thy finger stilled, and all is stilled. In time all things must change; Since life began, it too must end. Grief's signs and tears, Through all intervening years, Till we are stilled—By death. But one life to live, Would it were life indeed! One heart to love, Where hope dwells ever, Footsteps slowly follow thee, While life must last, Only one death to die, For it must be, Life, Love and Death are we, Earth whispers low—Eternity—R. Vavra.

STRANGE COINCIDENCE.

Empress Carlotta Dying as Mexico Celebrates. Brooklyn Eagle. Mexico, celebrating the centenary of its independence, unveiled yesterday a handsome monument of Benito Pablo Juarez in Ciudad Juarez, opposite El Paso. And newspaper readers who were present at that celebration had in their hands papers containing the news that the former empress, Carlotta, was dying at Brussels, after forty-three years of hopeless insanity. The coincidence is striking. It was Juarez who kept up the long campaign against odds that resulted in the complete evacuation of Mexico in March, 1867, by the French troops sent to Carlotta's husband, the Austrian Archduke Ferdinand Joseph Maximilian, whom Napoleon III had made emperor of Mexico, and the execution of Maximilian on June 19 of the same year.

Carlotta was the daughter of King Leopold of Belgium. Her personal charm, her misfortunes, her disappointment in requests of Napoleon the Little for further support, her unwillingness to the pope, the execution of her husband, and the unsettling of her reason, aroused sympathy for her the world over, even among the people of the United States, which had been hampered when Maximilian first landed in Mexico by our own civil war, which had finally forced the ending of French interference and had given Juarez his victory. With the exception of the brief time during which Maximilian was de facto emperor, Mexico has been at least a nominal republic for 100 years. Juarez, a real statesman, belongs to the heroic period of its history. Carlotta belongs to the same period. And as for Maximilian, his death was perhaps a needless tragedy. His fault had been one springing from his point of view. He had refused to do what Napoleon the Little wanted done unless arrangements should be made for Mexico to vote on ratifying his selection for emperor. He was not a tyrant, not a bad man. But, standing for the European domination of the life and the trade of Mexico, he deserved to fall. The United States could have taken another pathing than it did in the face of such an attack on its hegemony on the American continent.

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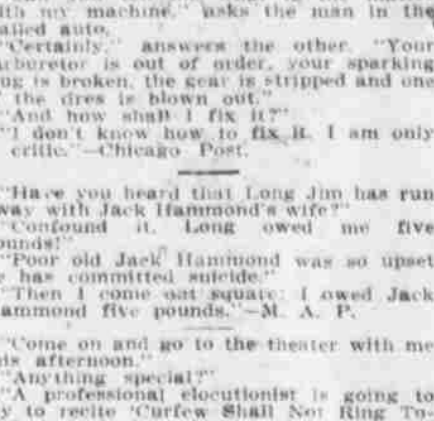
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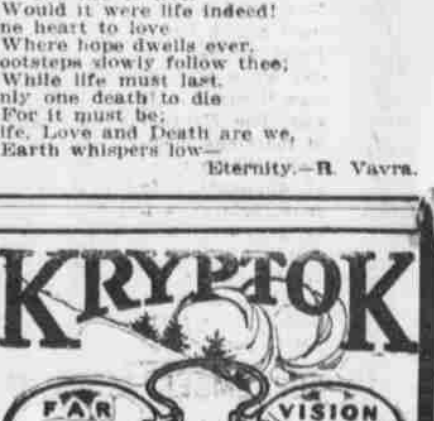
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