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THE BEGUILING OF THE CLERGY. A brief letter from a rural citizen, which has direct application to both church and political conditions in many parts of the country, is printed in the current National Republican, as follows:

May I not suggest that if the literature of some of our churches taught more of Jesus Christ and not so much of Woodrow Wilson, that the churches might not need to complain of decreased membership, and the effect on the rising generation would be more wholesome if not so favorable to Article X.

This letter was written by W. B. Amos of Reedsville, O., a little village made up of farmers. We happen to know both the writer and his community, composed of plain, unassuming citizens of the average rural sort. There are ten thousand others like it in the United States where men in their shirt sleeves do straight thinking and speak common sense. One of the glories of America is that one does not have to go to the big cities or great universities for lessons in religion or patriotism. No community is so remote or unimportant that one cannot find American brains in it, functioning in perfect accord with vital principles of religion and politics.

Perhaps every church-goer and reader of denominational publications has seen one or more editorials in them or heard one or more sermons whose real text was not an utterance of Christ, but of Woodrow Wilson. Only here and there, apparently, was there a church editor or preacher strong enough to resist Mr. Wilson's smooth promises as a temporary substitute for the words and promises of Christ. There was, for a time after the president's return from abroad, an epidemic of sermons glorifying Wilson, inspired not by the word of God, but by Wilson's adroitly phrased testament of internationalism. Many ministers who did not fathom its full meaning, who were not then acquainted with the multitude of abhorrent dualities to principles and dishonest compromises by which it was tainted to suit the ulterior purposes of European diplomacy, burst into eulogies of a thing now abominable in the light of later knowledge. They forgot the warning of Peter:

There shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies. . . . And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of. . . . And with covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you. Fortunately the majority of these erring church papers and preachers now discern that the way of Wilson is not "the way of truth"; that "damnable heresies" against national principles are in his false testament of selfish European interests, put there "privily" after a solemn promise that it should be an open covenant openly arrived at; that covetousness of vainglory and world power animated the idol of clay they worshipped at Paris; and that on his return he "made merchandise" of them to promote an unholy political ambition. They know now that Article X of the covenant is neither a beatitude nor an echo of the Golden Rule, but a plot to use the military power and resources of the United States in every political dispute in the world, for the sole advantage of Europe.

Both church papers and preachers now generally realize that confusing the craftily constructed speeches of Mr. Wilson with Holy Writ was an unprofitable venture. The substitute for the Savior spread his net in vain in the sight of village birds like W. B. Amos of Reedsville. But it caught thousands in the pulpits and university faculties.

Boys and Girls and Music. For the second time in Omaha the experiment of giving a symphony concert for the benefit of youngsters from the public schools has proved to be a move in the right direction. One of the noteworthy features of the affair is the attention given by the young auditors to the orchestra and the intelligent appreciation shown by them of the music afforded. This does not imply that they are possessed of the keen judgment and perception that comes with experience and familiarity with the scientific aspect of the art or the more easily understood phases of tone values as developed in melodic combinations. These children merely exhibit the natural tendency to react to the impulse of harmony, the rhythmic flow of sound affecting them as directly as if they were deeply versed in all the technic. It is possible to elaborate this into a considerable argument in favor of the plan, because of its psychological aspects. The conclusion, however, must be that music is as good for the young folks as for the elders, and that good music is as attractive and may become as popular as "jazz." Boys and girls whose minds are appealed to through the sense of hearing may be directed to higher ideals if their musical taste is cultivated as carefully as their moral perceptions are whetted on precepts.

Air Mail Service for Omaha. The action of the house at Washington on Friday makes certain the flight of the air mail from Omaha to Chicago. For some time this city is to be the western terminus of this important service. In season the route is to be extended to San Francisco, and another link established between the Gate City and the Golden Gate, cementing the bond that was set

up when the Atlantic and Pacific telegraph wire was followed by the Overland railroad. For more than half a century Omaha has been recognized as the true gateway to the Pacific coast. A wonderful stream of world commerce pours through this portal. Rivals north and south have sought to divert this traffic, but the natural advantages that turned it this way are not to be overcome by the artificial means so far adopted. Now the Postoffice department emphasizes the condition by making this an important station on the route. Actual experience supports this decision. The flight of the army aviators from coast to coast last year showed beyond doubt the desirability of the central route, and proved that any detour would be costly and not practicable. Branch routes of the air mail will be set up for places north and south of this city, but Omaha will be a main line terminal until its rivals can change geography and so alter the physical law as to make a curve the shortest distance between two points.

Origin of a Home Wrecking Distemper. In all the city, town and country homes of Nebraska, as the vernal season gathers headway, all too busy housewives are succumbing to the housecleaning germ, whose attacks come suddenly with each succeeding springlike day. We find it hard to write of this semi-annual horror without betraying great bitterness of spirit, because it is a form of industry we despise. We mention it only because it comes in the line of public duty to do so, in order to prepare men's minds for the inevitable week of annoyance, disarranged books, misplaced furniture, dust, flurry and cold meals.

When and where did housecleaning originate? Not in ancient Greece or Rome, nor in the land of the unspokeable Turk, nor in Russia. Not in Cleopatra's mystic realm, nor anywhere in all Asia and Africa. China's curious civilization of 3,000 years has been free from it, as have Greenland's icy mountains and India's coral strands. Even the Moors who settled in Spain and gave personal and civic cleanliness its first victories in Europe cannot be charged with it. The American Indian also is guiltless, as are the denizens of the innumerable isles of the seven seas.

Who, then, inflicted housecleaning, with all its attendant ills, on America? We shall no longer conceal the truth. The New Englanders did it, the Yankees, the busybodies of the New World. But why? The answer is easy. It was invented as a contrast to that other New England institution, Thanksgiving day. And it is some contrast, verily. We used to think it a custom. Now we know better. It is a disease, "peculiar to women," as dear old Lydia Pinkham would say. But not even her genius for medical discoveries ever found a specific for it. We fear it never will be shaken off in this world. Its tentacles have too firm a grip everywhere. It is the cancer of housekeeping, the black plague of domestic life, the scrub brush and broom-handle itch of modern times. It began when the Blue law that prohibited men from kissing their sweethearts and wives on Sundays went into effect. In their displeasure the New England women began raising a dust and called it housecleaning. They have been raising this dust ever since, and men flee when no man pursueth. Can you blame them?

Spread of the Overall Movement. One of the manifestations of revolt at the high cost of living is the adoption of overalls in lieu of the usual garb by men. Wherever the idea originated, it is spreading rapidly, and bids fair to become epidemic. Prices on clothing have been moved skyward with such rapidity as defies sight, and ready-made garments now look down on mortal man from altitudes never before attained. The well dressed man today carries on his back more of money than he ever dreamed of doing, while the fop or dandy may express his fancy only at such a drain on his pocketbook as must make him think if anything will. When the country was at war there was some reason for this. The War department set a mark of more than 100 pounds of wool per annum for the consumption of men who were accustomed to use eight or ten at the outside. This naturally set prices sky high. The war was ended a year and a half ago, but the selling price of men's clothing has gone on soaring. To be sure, it had plenty of company, but none that seemed so ambitious to establish an altitude record. The buck has been passed all the way up and down the line, from wool grower to retailer, but no place has the responsibility been fixed. It is only clear that the price of a pound of wool has been wondrously expanded in its journey from the back of the sheep on which it grew to that of the man who finally wears it. The overall crusade may compel a contraction of this undue stretching, but if it does nothing else it will serve as an impressive protest against a condition that is almost insupportable.

Chinese Women After Our Styles. Notable changes are observed among the better class of women in China. They have awakened to an interest in American fashions and deportment. To such an extent is this true that from head to foot they are wearing garments cut on American lines—shoes, stockings, tailor-made suits and hats—and are content with nothing else. They are dancing American dances, too, and acquiring the independent spirit of this country. It is well. The first civilizing influence is well cooked food. After that comes clothing. Then all the conveniences of modern life follow, along with educational advancement. China is coming along. When the women of any of the old civilizations take to a new one, the men must follow. With the women of China climbing out of the pit of customs three thousand years old, nothing is impossible in the enlightenment of all peoples.

Claims set up in behalf of an outside candidate for president who is seeking votes in Nebraska make us wonder if the people of this state have so soon forgotten the work of "Charley" Magoon in Cuba.

McCutcheon is right. This country is suffering as much from rest as from unrest. Still, \$250,000 is a fair profit for three months' endeavor in a rye enterprise. If Nebraskans do their duty, no doubt exists as to Pershing's success. But "Big Bill" Hayward says the I. W. W. were in the "outlaw" strike. A wise candidate knows his own slate.

A Line O' Type or Two How to the Lines, let the stars fall where they may. THE MAN who told us this swear it is not in vain. An acquaintance from down state driving through the loop and disregarded the signals of the most artistic bawler-out on the traffic force. The fearsome one halted the car, shoved his map under the top, and inquired, "Say, didn't you hear my whistle?" "No," replied the down stater, startled. "If it is a new one!"

Dutchman's Breaches, Perhaps. Sir: A Sheridan road forist offers "Fresh Panties—20c a bunch." They look nice. A. T.

"IN April and September," writes Garrett P. Serviss, "thunder storms are five or six times less numerous than in July." So that, if there should be four in July, they— But figure it yourself.

YES, IT WILL TEACH HER TO BE CAREFUL. (From the Canby, Minn., News.) Mrs. Mike Thomsen, while using the wringer, electrically operated on Monday, caught her hand in the machine, injuring that member mainly. While there were no bones broken we are glad to say she has suffered more or less from the accident.

OUR TIP IS FLEISCHMANN PREFERRED. Sir: I asked my favorite banker what he thought of the German marks as an investment. "Well," said he, tearing off a contemplative couple, "it's like betting on a horse race, only you're betting on the poorest horse." B. B.

AN Alabama candidate for congress, a former judge, informs his constituents: "The question confronting the American people are the most serious. If elected to congress, I shall devote myself to the study of them and their solution to the best welfare of the people."

ANOTHER. Tonight I could not bear the stifling press Of walls about me, or the tyranny Of tedious German marks as an investment. That twined my study with its weariness. I sought the night, hoping the winds' caress Might blow away my deep perplexity. Or friendly stars in charity set free Me from the sun's engulfing loneliness. But yours the scents that ride the April breeze, That catch and hold me in their airy net; The stars themselves are but your devotees, Reminding me of what I ought to forget. I fled you in my study; you were there. Then in the night—but find you everywhere. P. F. RICHMOND.

SIGN in the Black Hawk Hotel, Byron, Ill.: "If you think you are with send your thoughts to B. L. T. care Chicago Tribune. Do not spring them on the help. It hurts efficiency." COMPARE JOHN STUART MILL. Sir: You quote a colleague, who says editorially, "Americans like plenty of laws," a lamentable fact. Perhaps, while on this thought, you may find the following extract from a letter to the San Francisco Argonaut of March 21, signed "L. T." to your liking: "King Paulose on his advent to the throne destroyed all existing books of law and enacted a 'code' of stupendous simplicity. He absolutely ignored the existence of God, leaving to his people absolute liberty of religious conscience. Regarding the conduct of men towards one another he legislated as follows: "Article I. Do no harm to your neighbor. "Article II. This being thoroughly understood, do all you please."

THE help at the Black Hawk Hotel might like to know that John J. Salmon of Salt Lake City has been granted a patent on a can-opener. We Can Think of at Least Three. Sir: Being a singularly curious person, I can't help but wondering if you are acquainted with Mrs. F. W. of Kissimmee, Fla. I can think of one heading that would fully do justice, can you? PANDORA. MORE WORK FOR THE OULJA BOARD. (From the El Dorado Times.) The aim is to later ask Mr. Carnegie to help us and if he refuses to help each man, woman and child of El Dorado to help in order that we may in the near future have a library of which we will all be justly proud.

URGES the so-called Board of Education of the Department of the Interior: "Try and do as much better than the average as you can." Tax Return Made by a Trustee to the Town of Rye, N. H. Selection of Rye—As Trustee, I. Under Indure duty and in accordance with Grace S. Whittemore et al. Request no taxes laid. In 1920 on April one. No real estate in Rye. Nor mills, nor goats, mules, oxen, sheep— Nor other things had I; On the asses of Rye no claim have I, Nor horses, dogs, nor pigs, Nor fur-bearing fowls that fly so high, Nor vehicles, cars, nor rigs. Neither cestuis nor I now live in Rye. We're thrifty and we're lean— The times are dry, so Rye, good-by; Thy memory shall be green. Signed, sworn to, and filed by William Hoag, Trustee.

"THE small son who came to the home of Conductor and Mrs. Record of Dauphin Park has been named Thomas Edison Record." Dauphin Park Record. The next Record will be named Victor, suggests E. C. B. quaintly. THE BEST IS NONE TOO GOOD. (From the Orlando, Fla., Reporter-Star.) Before the dancing began Mr. Ben Euxton made an announcement that the Rosalind club was not here going to allow any dances on its floor to shimmie or to use the face against face mode of dancing. This is decidedly a move in the right direction, for this club has always stood for the best and is the measuring tape by which this best is attained. Children reared under the 'espionage' of the club will understand what the highest is in manners and morals and the shimmie and face to face dancing were decidedly a retrograde from the best.

"LOST"—Between N. Mantua and S. Franklin sta., one rubber rain coat with bottle of medicine and 3d ed. McGraw Mason book. A. M. Harvey, Kent, O.—Ady. What do you mean medicine? Consider Them Said. Sir: Now that the commencement season approaches, can't you say a few words about the custom of preaching "baccalaureate" sermons to eighth grade and high school graduates. This use of the word is, to me, as offensive as "1920 Olympiad." J. E. R.

ANOTHER USE FOR THEM. (From the Isabel, S. D., News.) Do you know what we do at our house to keep down the H. C. L.? We peel the potatoes with a safety razor blade. We also expect to get a check from one of the popular safety razor concerns for discovering a new use for the little blades.

Ad Famous Doublings. (From the Michigan City News.) Wanted—Paperhanging. I am now ready to hang paper, clean windows and do inside and outside painting. My charges are right. Rev. A. H. Blume, phone 2320. AS if the terrors of moving were not enough, the James M. Burke Storage Company advertises: "We move you one hundred miles and have supper in your new home."

MORE OR LESS PREMEDITATION. (From the Akron, O., Beacon-Journal.) The victim, then unconscious, was taken to the City hospital in Sweeney-Vial's ambulance and his assailant locked up on a charge of cutting with intent to wound. THEY SENT 'EM IN AN EMPTY BOX. (Received by a Sheboygan factory.) Gentlemen: Please send us at once twelve key holes, like the one enclosed, and oblige. Yours, &c. PRAISING a man's home brew is like m. l. to a W. You can't overdo it. B. L. T.

How to Keep Well By Dr. W. A. EVANS

GROWTH THROUGH FEEDING The instinct of every growing animal is to eat. It is the instinct of the milk and eat green stuff. The almost universal use of milk by the very young suggested to investigators that there was something in milk which promoted growth. Without discovering just what the substance is, they established the fact of its existence and named it the fat soluble vitamin. But they noted that animals continued to grow after being weaned and turned out to graze. Therefore they sought for proof of the presence of the fat soluble vitamin in grasses and vegetables. They have found them there also.

The conclusion is that vegetables are thoroughly wholesome for growing children. If children can get milk and butter they should have them, but if they are deprived of them they can still grow provided they get plenty of good vegetables, and especially green vegetables. Recently a group of students of the University of Wisconsin reported on a series of experiments made by feeding various vegetables to young white rats over four month periods. If they gave the rats enough alfalfa along with their other food substances necessary to nourish them, they grew as fast and as healthy young when of the proper age. Lettuce, spinach, chard, and clover were about as effective in promoting growth. Perhaps lettuce was inferior to spinach and cabbage was distinctly inferior to lettuce.

The fat soluble vitamin is contained in a yellow pigment which is found in green leaves. It is found in fair quantities in some roots which are used for foods and in much less quantity in grains. Does not this confirm the experience of the stock raiser, who permits his very young stock to suckle as long as they will and provides pasture for them from the summer period until maturity. After they become grown he gives them fat and strength by feeding grain.

Steinback and Gross, having proved that greens, salads—in fact, most vegetables—are good for growing children, are carrying on the experiment of determining which vegetables rank well and which less well. The reader will remember that while conclusions drawn from the feeding of rats are valuable as guides for feeding humans they cannot be applied exactly and entirely. For instance, it has been found that the foods which best suit young rats are not the best for young guinea pigs or for young rabbits. But most vegetables are cooked before being eaten. Steinback and Boutwell investigated the effects of cooking on the stimulating fat soluble vitamins. They conclude that cooking does not materially lessen this principle in cornmeal, chard, carrots, sweet potatoes, and squash. The proportion may be lessened somewhat, but this can be offset by giving the child a larger helping. Hess and Unger even see an advantage to this growth substance in

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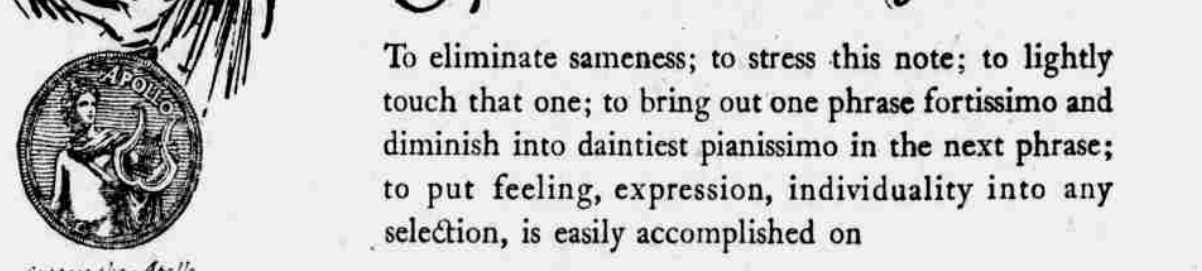
The Bee's Letter Box

Also for Water Power. Norfolk, Neb., April 15.—To the Editor of The Bee: I wish to let you know that I appreciate the great improvement in The Bee and the business way in which it is doing things and the big way you have of treating the public and things in general. I am very glad to see you standing for certain great improvements for Nebraska and Omaha—big things, but easily accomplished if we go at it in an earnest, determined way and are enthusiastic. We have the greatest "city of opportunity" in the world, I think, and by all pulling together can make our city of Omaha one of the very first cities on earth in every way. But it will require a big spirit and co-operation. All of us must pull together and in one direction and we can move big things. But if we pull against each other we will get nowhere.

Facts on Whooping Cough. C. L. H. writes: "Will you please tell us how long after a person takes whooping cough is there no danger of transmitting the disease to another person? Or will there be danger as long as the 'whoop' lasts?" REPLY. Some officials say six weeks, others say four. In most cases the danger does not last four weeks from the onset of the symptoms. Whooping is not a sign of infectivity. Many cases cease to be contagious long before they cease to whoop.

Get Well Fitted Glasses. B. S. writes: "Is there any cure at all for nearsightedness? I was not born nearsighted." REPLY. Properly fitting glasses remedy this trouble.

Blames the Jobber. Omaha, April 15.—To the Editor of The Bee: Taking a keen interest about the remarks of Mr. J. M. Wardlaw, a stockholder in the Great Western Sugar company, and the remarks he made about the high price of sugar in Omaha, I might drop a hint as to why we (everybody) are paying the 22c and 24c demanded of us for sugar. I am a great admirer of W. D. McAduff and believe in his frankness in his statements. Sugar is quoted at \$10.55 per 100 lbs. to Omaha jobbers, unloaded by cheap labor, and the price is instantly jumped to \$17.75 and \$18.00 per hundred. Is it any wonder that after the retailer, having to pay freight charges and all incidentals, that we are paying anywhere from 20c to 24c and 25c? I am not connected with any retail store at all, but I am just writing this to let people know who is holding us up for sugar. FRANKNESS.



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