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COURTESY AS AN ASSET.

There was a time when the dancing masters taught manners—the etiquette of the ball room, it was called—along with graceful bows, undulating gestures, and skillful balancing on the heels and toes...

However, some of our young friends tell us there is no longer occasion for the graces taught with such assiduity forty years ago, nor of the polished and formal verbal utterances which once characterized the social functions of young people...

Others say there is no longer the refinement and discipline in the homes of the people which train the young in that constant consideration for the rights and feelings of others, which is called courtesy.

The young man who possesses good manners, who from a kind heart learns the arts of courtesy, has a great asset. Everybody admires good manners—in others. They are rare enough to attract much attention.

THE NIGHTINGALE'S HIGH NOTE IS HEARD; IT IS THE HOUR WHEN LOVERS' VOICES SEEM SWEET IN EVERY WHISPERED WORD; AND GENTLE WINDS, AND WATERS NER, MAKE MUSIC TO THE LONELY EAR.

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A Bid for the Democratic Nomination. President Wilson, in an interview with the New York World, makes a bid for the democratic nomination at San Francisco.

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Sunday a Day of Tragedies.

Sunday has become the most dangerous day of the week for pleasure seekers. In years gone by the Sunday excursion train that was in collision, or that plunged through a rotten trestle; or the Sunday excursion steamer that turned turtle or burned to the water's edge, with scores of sickening fatalities, shocked the country.

It is different now. The excursion trains no longer attract horrified attention. The fatalities continue, but they come to us so regularly in every Monday paper that they no longer unsettle our nerves.

The railroad crossing, the narrow place in the road with a declivity at one side, the sharp turn, and the insane desire to pass another car on a crowded road, all contribute to sudden Sunday death or injury.

THE BUBONIC PLAGUE THREATENS

The appearance of the bubonic plague in Mexico, and the death of a man in Pensacola, Fla., whose symptoms led local physicians to suspect it a true case of plague, is more than welcome after the experience of the country with the flu, which assumed in its mortality record all the terrifying aspects of the black death.

Since the middle of the fourteenth century, the plague, under its various names, has devastated Europe, Asia and Africa. Between 1334 and 1351 it swept many millions into the grave in China, India, Persia, Russia, Germany, Italy, France, England and Norway.

We have at hand no complete statistics of the present century, but there have undoubtedly been genuine cases in our hemisphere. In November, 1899, New York City received two cases from South America, but was able to resist the spread of the disease.

Medical science and sanitation have so far been able to keep it in check when isolated cases appear, but there is always the danger of a sudden spread of it by flies and other insects that may overwhelm medical resources and give it the wide sweep of the flu, which came here from Europe because no sufficient guard against it was maintained at our Atlantic ports.

The characteristics of the true bubonic plague do not make pleasant reading, and we shall not rehearse them, hoping we shall hear no more of it in the United States, but every precaution against it should be taken.

Plagues have had a melancholy interest to humanity ever since the original ten in Egypt, attributed to the wrath of the Almighty because the Israelites were forbidden by an obstinate king the privilege of going into the wilderness to celebrate a festival.

A man may be a master of finesse and all the complications and suggestive leads and plays in bridge whist, and yet be blind to the perils of a woman's jealousy.

The same hot weather that dejects a man freshens and beautifies a woman.

It is the hour when from the boughs The nightingale's high note is heard; It is the hour when lovers' voices Seem sweet in every whispered word; And gentle winds, and waters ner, Make music to the lonely ear.

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A Line O' Type or Two

How to the Line, in the cuts fall where they may.

Whence and whither this dancing gleam, Sight of my heart, my heart? Come it out of the sunset stream Caught and held on a bright moonbeam, Held, while the stars of morning spoke In silver tones, till the dawn awoke?

Whence and whither this burning flame, Heart of my heart, my heart? Brand aglow, from the gods it came, His be the glory who bore the blame. Through the ages the cleansing fire Leaps to splendor in souls' desire.

Flame, sound, gleam! Oh heart of me Wrapt and lapt in ecstasy! C. S. P. W.

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SMALL TOWN STUFF.

A tomtit has built its nest in a pillar-box at Pickle Gate, in the Weald of Kent, and has laid seven eggs, which it is hatching.

In return we should like to quote something from Mr. Adams' latest book of verse, "Something Else Again," which the publishers say they sent to us.

A NEW FACE IN THE ACADEMY CHOIR. (From the Kendallville News-Sun.) Mrs. Warble Robins of La Grange visited friends here this afternoon while en route home from Syracuse.

According to Mr. Vollmer, department of criminology of the University of California, "crime is due mostly to sex, pugnacity, and the fever for acquisition." That about covers it.

The Second Post. (From a natural born comedian.) Kind friend Sara: The reason I advertised for a hard working girl regardless of age and no matter what she works at is that I am a poor hard working man myself having been such since the year 1859 that is the year or in other words the last year I was in the show Biz.

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How to Keep Well

By Dr. W. A. EVANS

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MALARIA REWON PALESTINE.

Writing on this Sunday morning for the people who will read on another Sunday morning, I have decided to translate some information about malaria conditions in Palestine as the Australians found them in 1917 and 1918.

The British advanced through Sinai in 1917. They did not suffer from malaria there except as a delta had relapsed. When they occupied the line from Gaza to Beersheba during the summer of 1917 they did not suffer from malaria.

There were enough mosquito breeding places, but Maj. Evans of the Australian army says the native population had moved out of the country and the mosquitoes were not infected.

In the autumn of 1917 Jerusalem was captured and the valley of the Jordan was occupied. The Jordan is a swiftly flowing stream with clean cut banks fairly free from growth of all kinds. It lies in a valley eleven miles wide and 1,500 feet below the sea level.

This valley is watered in part by irrigation ditches built by Herod and in operation continuously since that time. Some of the feeders, creeks and rivers of the Jordan are clear, rapid streams with well defined banks, while others are sluggish sloughs running through marshes.

The British recognized that malaria would be a problem in the summer of 1918 if they continued to occupy the valley of the Jordan, as seemed inevitable. Up the river from Jericho and crossing the old Roman road were two tributary rivers, Wady Anjah and Wady Nuera-meh, lying wholly within their lines.

The Australians dug straight, clean banked ditches to carry the water of these streams within their lines, drained the marshes, and

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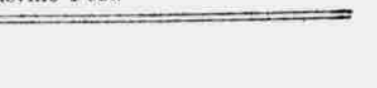
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Irish women and England's deceit. Therefore, there can be no doubt about the collecters of Omaha lending the dignity of their presence to make Archbishop Mannix's reception a grand success. The elite of the Irish race, those who were ever and always faithful and true will undoubtedly do their duty on this great occasion, Tuesday, June 22. The opportunity offers itself to show the archbishop and the world that the Stars and Stripes is our standard and not the hated Union Jack; also that the "Star Spangled Banner," such as Francis Scott Key wrote it, is our national anthem, and not "God Save the King," nor "God Bless the Prince of Wales."

Pungent Paragraphs. Ladies and gentlemen: Meet Mr. O. Flitton—Greensboro News.

The frontiers are an optimistic lot. They take the news as they find it.—Sioux City Journal.

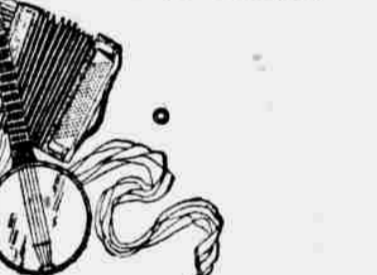
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