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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, to such orders as "first couple forward and back," "grand right and left," and "balance all." Perhaps they do it yet, although we understand the so-called square dances have long been out of vogue, that waltzes are infrequent, and that the universal dance is a "onestep," whatever that may mean, reminiscent of the shuffling of a nervous bear standing on his hind legs and shifting his weight from one foot

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. What a fellow wants now is a close dance, a cigarette and a drink-if the latter may be had. Then another dance, another cigarette and another drink. And so on. Not 'till midnight. Dear no! But until daylight.

This may or may not all be true. We have it only on hearsay. But what we shall say on the general subject of manners is not hearsay. It is truth, observed time and again. There is much rudeness abroad in social circles, much contempt for conventions, much individuality which in fact is boorish ignorance or general disrespect for associates of both sexes. Some attribute these conditions to the entrance of tobacco into parlors and ballrooms. Where social smoking is, there will be a certain laxity. a sure lowering of dignity, and a lessening of respectful consideration for ladies-young and

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. We do not know; it is not for us to inquire.

But we believe if the fathers and mothers of today realized the value of courtesy in life, they would never leave it to school teachers or dancing masters to begin or "finish" their boys and girls in it. To be courteous requires the mastery of certain rules of conduct, to be sure -such as rising when a lady enters the room, and to remain standing until she is seated; or to remove the hat and remain uncovered while speaking to her in a hotel lobby or other public place-but it also means something far deeper than these outward signs. It is a matter of the spirit. It is kindness of character. Where that exists there will always be respect for others.

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. They give distinction to young or old. They invariably please, regardless of sex, color, age or condition. And always they pave the way to favor. In this age, when favor counts as much for advancement in every occupation, business and profession, it is an injustice to any youth to rob him of the discipline that will make of him a courteous gentleman, and gain him admission to places much desired from which the rude, the vulgar, the ignorant and the brazen always have been and always will be excluded.

In courtesy there is much profit, much pleasuse, much favor and much distinction.

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. The building of the Chicago platform, he avers, "seems essentially and scientifically Prussian in inspiration and method"-a suggestion particularly cool and impudent from the man who enjoined strict neutrality on the American people when the Prussians were trying to strangle civilization in Europe.

He is delighted that the League of Nations is to be an issue in the campaign, and wishes it made the sole issue, which is his way of delicately indicating that he himself is the only logical man for the democratic nomination. He does not at this time desire to discuss partisan politics-there will be plenty of time for that in his letter of acceptance, and still clings to the hallucination that his word is "the word that America has given to the rest of the world."

The next president will recognize the senate of the United States as having the final and decisive word on American foreign policies, so far as they relate to treaties. Mr. Wilson continues stubbornly to ignore this constitutional

Colonel Harvey was in the neighborhood of the Chicago convention. We can think of no democrat who had a better right to be in the vicinity. The Colonel is first a patriot, and secondly the most thorough and caustic critic of Wilsonian shams, inconsistencies and worse, in the country. Indeed, he ranks with old Nemesis herself as a dispenser of retributive justice.

The president, it is said, will use a bicycle this summer. Very well; just so it isn't a mo-

Sunday a Day of Tragedies.

Sunday has become the most dangerous day of the week for pleasure seekers. In years gone 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. Perhaps we need not expect anything else with automobiles in charge of drivers who are inexperienced, careless or disposed to take chances.

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. We have become accustomed to it, and it no longer stirs our emotions, but the loss of life is said to far exceed the occasional railroad wreck or steamboat disaster of former years.

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 unwelcome 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. In 1720 a single case at Marseilles resulted in the death of 86,000 people in that one city. In the first half of the Nineteenth century Constantinople, the Balkan peninsula, Greece and Italy suffered from it. In its latter half Russia, Asia and Africa had awful visitations, Bombay being especially unfortunate.

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. In 1900 Japan brought it to the Hawaiian Islands. The same year New York had two cases, and San Francisco 42 fatalities from it.

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. There is an anti-plague serum which has proved effective in many cases.

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 plagues. A recital of them carries their meaning without medical interpretation. They were be made in 5 minutes or 5 years either. I've been at it now for 35 years since I began and I can the turning of the river into blood, frogs, lice, still learn something about it. Its a true saying flies, murrain (a disease of cattle and domestic animals), boils, hail, locusts, darkness and the slaying of the first-born.

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.

TWILIGHT.

It is the hour when from the boughs The nightingale's high note is heard; It is the hour when lovers' vows Seem sweet in every whispered word; And gentle winds, and waters near, Make music to the lonely ear. Each flower the dews have lightly wet, And in the sky the stars are met, And on the wave is deeper blue, And on the leaf a browner hue, And in the heaven that clear obscure, So softly dark and darkly pure, Which follows the decline of day, As twilight melts beneath the moon away. -Byron.

What a Bushel of Walnuts Did.

Late in the year 1867 one of the little French boys was told to scurry down in the woods and pick up a bushel or so of walnuts to give their neighbor, Daniel Denton, who was going to Nebraska to file on a timber claim in the far west, twenty miles from Lincoln, Neb. Daniel tucked the walnuts away and schoonered out to Salt Creek. J. M. French grew up to be a timber buyer and the walnuts grew into trees. This spring Mr. French bought and shipped from the Denton timber claim three cars of walnut logs which ranged from twelve to sixteen inches in diameter.-Trenton (Mo.) Times.

The New York Sun on Harding.

In the nomination of Warren G. Harding, United States senator from Ohio, as its candidate for the presidency, the republican party has done the wisest thing it could have done. Senator Harding is the exemplification of the best type of Americanism. He comes from New England and Ohio stock and is a fine example of the American who has started at the foot of the ladder and climbed, hand over hand,

unaided, to the topmost round. Senator Harding hails from the small town of Marion, O., where his life activities in journalism, ownership journalism, for he is owner of his newspaper, brought him favorably before the people of his state, with the result that after successive stages of advancement he was sent to the United States senate. In this body he has borne himself with splendid dignity and in respect of ability has always given a good

account of himself. In personal appearance Senator Harding is a superb specimen of the American man. He is tall, six feet and more; has a powerful frame and in features as well as in frame shows rugged strength, great poise. He is a true Ohioan of the best type, gracious in manner, winning and warm in personality, a man who makes friends as McKinley made them, a man who if elected will bring back to the White House the cordial

human spirit of McKinley. But apart from the merits of Senator Harding he was the best selection of the convention for the reason that he should be able to redeem Ohio to the republican party. Examined with regard to both strategy and the qualifications of the candidate, the republican convention has shown clear thinking and sound acting. There were many very good men under consideration, but taking into account geographical location as well as the man himself, it is clear that the convention did a fine piece of work in fixing upon Senator Harding for the presidency.—New York Sun and Herald.

A Line O' Type or Two

LOVERS.

Whence and whither this dancing gleam, Light of my heart, my heart? Comes 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 lilt I sing, Joy of my heart, my heart? Is it the sound that the four winds bring To forests, echoing, murmuring, Whose rivers, lapping their way along,

Bear to the ocean depths their song? Whence and whitther 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!

GOV. JOHNSON has been charged with being an emotional statesman. And yet when a newsboy thrust a headline under his nose, 'Johnson Boom Explodes," the Governor batted never an eye.

SMALL TOWN STUFF.

(From the London Times.) 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. A robin's nest containing several eggs has been found in the lettter-box of a he

at Sherbrook, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Derby-Thanks for the Ad.

(From F. P. A.'s Conning Tower.) In "Adventures of a Nature Guide" Enos veterate player in the world; he loafs most of all animals in the woods; he is master of the fine art of rest. Old Stuff. In "The Well In the Wood," by Bert Leston Taylor (1903), one of the most prominent charac ters is the Lazy Beaver.

IN return we should like to quote something from Mr. Adams' latest book of verse, "Some-thing Else Again," which the publishers say ers will recall some of the springs they sent to us. But somebody around the shop admired the book so greatly that it never got to

A NEW FACE IN THE ACADEMY CHOIR.

(From the Kendallville News-Sun.) Mrs. Warble Robins of La Grange visited here this afternoon while enroute 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 or a hard working girl regardless of and no matter what she works at is that I am a poor hard working man myself having been such since the year 1899 that is the year or in other words the last year I was in the show Biz. I am a natural born Comedian. I never forget what 1 once learn. I was on the Stage in Action 24 long years of my life. It has been 35 years since the first time that I ever appeared before the footlights. I have got plenty of Acts, Monologues, Jokes, Sketches Rapid fire conversation & etc., So if it is your ambition and desire to really become an Actress, and if you care to accept me as your instructor, & Partner after completion of your environment, in other words after you have acheived success & become an efient performer, which is beyond a reasonable doubt you certainly will, if you take me as your teacher, then and not until then will your ambition or desires be realized. There is one thing that you always must remember, and that is that this earth, you & I are living on wasn't built or to celebrate a festival. They were not bubonic | mode in 5 minutes. So it is the same with Actors & Actresses they are or never was or never will be a thoroughly educated man or woman. That is true! for instance Take Noah Webster that founded our Dictionary. Just as he got it all complete and ready to enjoy it He died and forgot it all. So my dear Sara you cannot start to soon the quicher and sooner you start the be-ter off you will be. Do it while you are young little Girl and when you become an old Woman then you will be independent, never will have to have to write and let me know when & where time & place, where I can call on you, as I have no office for you to call at. Now Sara here is another factor I wish to mention to you, is that I can tell you more in 5 minutes when I am in your company than I could write in 50 letters like this, As Shakespeare quoted The tongue is swifter and faster than Pen and pensils. Yours respectfully, etc.

TAKE it from the management, "the bridal paths afford a splendid diversion for the guests at Manoir Richelieu at Murray Bay, Que." But we should think the newly-weds would be em-barrassed by so much rubbering.

Gumming It.

(From the Hillyard, Wash., News.) Alderman Johnson came to city council meeting Tuesday evening without his false teeth. He has all the ear-marks of a comic actor in the movies with his chin making love to the end of his nose and some of his fellow-councilmen suggested that he enter the movies. Mr. Johnson says that the things didn't fit and he got tired picking them out of an oil pan every time he sneezed while working around autos at the Craddock Garage, so he is having a new set reconstructed.

A GOTHAM shop-David H. Lowenthal & Co., to be exact—announces "individualized modes in dresses of restrained good taste." Quite so, we should conjecture.

REMEMBRANCE.

Wistful forget-me-nots bloom but in the spring. What time we turn toward every coming thing-Gone is the dull, dead season of the cold, Gone are the passions and the tears of old, Forward 's the word! the harvest is our mark Yet is the day the heir to all the dark. Taught by that speck of blue. We shall the past renew.

Those borders, richly set with blue in May, Ere Leo rules the sky shall pass away. Shall all sweet recollections then escape? Nay, here is fair Anchusa from the Cape That flowers freely all the summer through, And brings remembrance soft as evening dew. Though myosotis fade

Anchusa is her shade.

FOR star slugger of the Academy's Bloomer Girls, Micksee nominates Miss Irma Battle of Greenville, Ia. The outfield backs up when Ima

SINCE the latest decision of the Supreme Court there has been talk in New York of closing the saloons and stopping the sale of liquor

MR. JOHNSON'S BUSY SEASON.

(From the Alden, Minn., Advance.) Mauritz Johnson of West Carlson says that they are not sure about who will be the teacher at school number 61 next win-ter. Mr. Johnson is now milking ten cows and about 125 Plymouth Rock chicks and some fine Duroc Jersey Brood sows beside thirty-five acres of corn and 52 acres of small grain and all looks fine.

THE firm of Duduit & Duduit, of Portsmouth, O., is composed of Richard B. Duduit, F. E. Duduit and William V. Duduit. Curiously enough they have not chosen for slogan, "Du-

OVERHEARD at the Garfield Park Town and Country Club: "You topped your ball." "No, I hit it with the bottom of the club."

NOW that the smoke of battle has cleared away, you will be glad to be reminded that the second quarter of your income tax is due the

How to Keep Well

By Dr. W A. EVANS

THE OMAHA SUNDAY BEE: JUNE 20, 1920.

Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to proper limitation, where a stamped, addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make diagnosis or prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee.

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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 1916. They did not suffer from malaria there except as a few troops formerly in the Egyptian delta had relapses. When they occupied the line from Gaza to Beersheba during the summer of 1917 they did not suffer from malaria.

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

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 1,300 ing the valley is a brim of mountains 4,000 feet high. This makes a deep, hot, dry saucer in which insect life exists in great abundance.

This valley is watered in part by and rivers of the Jordan are clear, you should have done. banks, while others are sluggish sloughs running through marshes. of Palestine.

The British recognized that malaria would be a problem in the summer of 1918 if they con'inued 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, Wadyel Anjah and Wady Nuera meh, lying wholly within their lines A third stream, Wady el Mellahah, rose in a marsh within the Turkish

lines, flowed through a marsh in no

man's land, and there crossed into

the area occupied by the British. 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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stopped Herod's irrigation ditches. They built an aqueduct to bring in a water supply. All the ponds were covered with

heavy petroleum oils. Insofar as was possible the stagnant waters were cleared of weeds, brushes, algae, green scums, and all vegetable growth. Some bodies of water were stocked with mosquito-larvae-catching minnows. The men were issued mosquito screens, gloves and mosquito netting.

These precautions entirely would that appeared in yesterday's issue ave saved the Australians from masays that a protest has been filed with the "State Department" against have saved the Australians from ma-laria had it not been for the mosultoes which bred in no man's land admission to United States of the and behind the Turkish lines, and Most Rev. Daniel J. Mannix, arch-Australians' malaria hospital rate Mannix is a typical Irishman of the was 2 per cent. On the other hand caliber of Archbishops MacHale of the Turks suffered greatly.

Maj. Evans said their were always filled with soldiers sick die for Ireland as blessed Oliver with malaria and the captured Plunkett, archbishop of Armagh, or Turkish soldiers had to go straight as Wolfe Tone. Lord Edward Fitz-to the hospital. Maj. Evans says the gerald, Father Murphy and the men great prevalence of malaria in the of 1798—"who fears to speak of Turkish army made the capture of ninety-eight." His patriotism is as

have destroyed the power of Rome, president of the Irish republic, and to have defeated Napoleon's Egypthe other Sinn Fein martyrs—contian army, is thus credited with hav-ing wrested Jerusalem and all of a man. The proposition presents toman empire.

Probably Safe. W. C. F. writes: "After being treated by injection of neo-salvarspectively) four years ago, is it pos-Wasserman test showed negative befere the injection of salvarsan, and feet below the sea level. Surround- a Wasserman recently taken showed no trace of the disease. REPLY.

If no symptoms can be found and Land League days, organizing the a spinal fluid Wasserman is negaif a spinal fluid Wasserman is negative it is altogether probable that you are safe. Two salvarsan injecthousands of others during that irrigation ditches built by Herod and tions are not sufficient to effect a period in operation continuously since that cure. Probably you took mercury That lated Treaty is to the valor of the

The Boe's

Omaha, June 17 .- To the Editor of The Bee: Can it be possible that the pro-British believe that the United States is only an English The bishop of Melbourne. Archbiship Tuam, Croke of Cashel, and Feehan hospitals of Chicago, and he would as quickly Palestine easy.

Malaria, which is said to have landers of 1847, the Fenians of wiped out the Grecian empire, to 1867, or Patrick Pearse, the first itself, this Irishman who represents the religion of St. Patrick and the patriotism of Robert Emmet will be in Omaha next Tuesday. Will the Irish-Americans of Omaha turn out together with their fellow citizens give him a reception worthy of the cause he represents. In their devotion to Ireland the Irish women never hesitate. Whether it be

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Irish women and England's deceit. Therefore, there can be no doubt about the colleens of Omaha lending the dignity of their presence to make Archbishop Mannix's recep-tion 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 architeken and the world that the archbishop and the world that the Stars and Stripes is our stand-ard 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." JERRY HOWARD.

Pungent Paragraphs. Ladies and gentlemen: Meet Mr. D. Flation.—Greensboro News.

The profiteers are an optimistic They take the world as they ind it.-Sioux City Journal.

The socialist campaign is a comedy, with Debs in the cellar role .-Louisville Post.



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