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The Bee's Platform

CAMPAIGN AGAINST ILLITERACY.

One of the disquieting disclosures of our hurried preparations for war was that an alarmingly large number of the adult citizenry are illiterate.

Coincident with this is a revival of the propaganda in favor of a Department of Education, with a secretary sitting as a member of the president's cabinet.

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with an element of immodesty, a desire to "show themselves," a reaching out for masculine flatery. The more serious moralists think it awful, perfectly shocking, and thoroughly demoralizing.

The Bathing Menace. The modern bathtub is a menace to health, a hazard to life and limb. Hardly a week passes that it does not commit mayhem and other atrocities upon those who trust themselves to it.

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A Line 'O' Type or Two

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How to Keep Well

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A Suggested Remedy For Shortage of Farm Help

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The Bee's Letter Box

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BREAD IS YOUR BEST FOOD, EAT MORE OF IT AND MAKE IT WITH Gooch's Best Flour SUPERFINE QUALITY

JERSEY Corn Flakes are large and crisp and do not get mushy in milk