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The Bee's Platform

AMERICA, ENGLAND AND JAPAN.

A casual reader of the dispatch sent from Paris by Thomas H. Millard will imbibe the notion that something sinister is contained in the new Japanese-English treaty, now under way of negotiation.

It is well to keep in mind also the pro-Chinese attitude of Mr. Millard. He is undoubtedly so well versed on Japanese and Chinese affairs that he may be quoted as an authority, but this does not relieve him in toto of a suspicion of bias.

The Pacific is an important problem, and properly belongs to the United States and Japan, as the dominant bartering nations. Our traditions do not commit us to control of any of the ocean ways; we have struggled from the first to maintain freedom of the seas.

Guatemala a Danger Spot. Felix Diaz, stormy petrel of Mexican politics and a professional revolutionist, is reported to be in Guatemala.

Governor Allen's court of industrial relations has found out that it is just as impossible to order flour mills to keep on grinding at a loss as it is to order workmen to keep on the job when they do not believe it pays.

In these days of unemployment, it is heartening to see that Franklin D. Roosevelt has found a good job, even though it is not in Washington.

Mr. Bryan, who calls himself a "latent democrat," may be drawing the distinction between a latent one and the more familiar blatant one.

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that might be greatly modified were the watch on the Bosphorus. Then Smyrna is now held subject to a plebiscite scheduled for 1924, and right back of Smyrna is Anatolia, to which the aspirations of "Tino's" people turn just as they did for Thrace.

These constitute the business before the king just now, and his problem is how to carry on the great undertaking without the help of all his people, a considerable number of whom are lukewarm if not actually hostile.

Far more difficult than the annual task of choosing the all-American football team is that assumed by the newspapers of picking the Harding cabinet. Men never decline the athletic honor, there are seldom players qualified for two positions and, greatest difficulty of all, no one has the final say, as Harding has in the matter of his advisors, free to upset all predictions.

Just now Charles Evans Hughes is held to be the favorite for secretary of state, Senator A. B. Fall for secretary of the interior, and Charles G. Dawes for secretary of the treasury.

In spite of this training as a banker and financial expert, Mr. Dawes has friends who are urging that he be made secretary of war instead of being placed in the treasury office.

If one goes back in history he will find that practically from the end of the Civil war to the day of Russell A. Alger, the position of secretary of war was held by civilian soldiers who combined actual experience in the army with business and political training.

On the ground that ease and freedom of communication is important to international understanding, the proposal of news associations and newspapers to use the navy wireless system for transmitting messages to and from Europe is entitled to fulfillment.

While this blockade of information exists, the navy wireless system, fully as powerful and efficient as the private agencies, built for the emergencies of war, remains silent except for signals to ships at sea and official business.

All censorship is bad, and the delay of international news is equivalent in some respects to a censorship inasmuch as through inadequate information misunderstandings and wrong conclusions are given the advantage over authoritative knowledge that comes later.

As Judge Landis sees the prison system: "Pardon me," says the convict. "Certainly," say the powers that be, just to show that they know etiquette.

Attorney General Davis asks for teeth in the blue sky law, but a revival of the doctrine of caveat emptor might help.

The meanest thief has been found again. He stole an Omaha fireman's coat while the latter was fighting flames.

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A Line O' Type or Two

How to the Lines, let the quips fall where they may.

THE MESSAGE. The morning stars and angels I think I hear them sing; "God keep your friend befriended On every Christmas day."

The morning stars and angels I think I hear them tell How some are soft in satins And oh, with folk in dark dwellings And oh, for those who have no meat May there be something good to eat.

The morning stars and angels I think I hear them speak Of nations great in gold and goods And peoples that are weak But that are strong in their own right May all who live in bounty share.

The morning stars and angels I think I hear them sing; "A child is born to save a child From want and suffering."

THE COMPLETE SKEPTIC is skeptical about skepticism; and there is one day in the round of days, this one when he may lay aside his glasses, faintly tinted blue, and put on instead, not the rose-colored specs of Dr. Pangloss, but a glass that blurs somewhat the outlines of men and things; and these he may wear until midnight.

HIS MOTHER. Did she then know that she had borne a God? Ask of a world of mothers; did they doubt But that their child was God, is justified.

MOTHERS alone can know how her heart swelled Then in that sunless day when soldiers scoured The dear loved flesh and nailed the kindly hands And patient took upon a felon's cross.

MOTHERS alone can know how she held faith; If any had a vision, how his name Would grow majestic as the years unrolled; And how his word would thunder through the world.

HERS it would be; the mother's eye would see; Her soul of little men, born to be God! Upon your knees, O mothers, kneel in prayer And keep the fire burning through the years.

PERHAPS the cheeriest reflection today is that you have contributed to Mr. Hoover's fund, or are going to.

MERRY CHRISTMAS! When Christmas Day dawned bright and clear, Its radiance will show it, justified, Some measure of the joy and cheer I hope your heart will know.

Should it snow the whole day through, Each sparkling flake will bring My loving wishes straight to you, Like birds on homing wing.

TO J. M. L.: Thank you. You have brought back an early faith. There was a thing in which we once believed, but we came to look upon it as childish, extravagant, absurd. But a miracle has been wrought. Staring at that magic label, we believe again. "Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus!"

"THE INVISIBLE GUEST." Oh little winter stars set high Above, which was it, tell That shone along Judaea's sky To greet Immanuel?

May peace and plenty fill the rays Sent by the Christ-child's star, And help us bring more happy days Wherever children are.

SPEAKING OF THE price of milk, the food inspector says "the consumer is being made the goat." Therein, lurks, perchance, a wheeze.

THE obviousness in the above is not ours. The word was in capitals.

SONG OF THE NEW POOR. We lived in a house; And, when Christmas came, We gave a bouncing present To the hired girl and the hired man.

Now. We live in a flat; And, when Christmas comes, We hope our janitor, who can so well afford it, Will send us a bouncing present.

A CHRISTMAS POEM YOU OUGHT TO KNOW. (From an Iowa Journal.) The gladness Christmas time has come, The stars are shining brightly in the night, The earth is king and all that in them is, The evergreens hung gladly on the bough.

It's midnight and the hour is late, The frost is hanging heavy on the pane, The bells chime forth its sweet ecstasy, The village church will have a Xmas tree.

The organ in the church peals briskly forth, The choir is small but they are all they seem, The children raise their voice in ghoulish glee And everyone receives its present as her name is called.

Oh earthly skies that shine down bright upon us Keep us in thy thoughtfulness to you Draw near us with your ever keeness And make us children all again tonight.

A MERRY as may be Christmas to our gadder friends, many of whom will greet the sun upon the upland lawn of Mason City, Bloomington, or other spot remote from home.

Children At Play. "The wind is whistling in the lane," said Sybil, "Fairies whispering," said Jane, "The leaves are sighing overhead," "Songs of dying birds," Jane said.

"The vines are dripping with the rain," said Sybil, "Diamond necklaces," said Jane, "The toadstools perk their ugly heads," "Cricket umbrellas," Jane said.

"The water beads against the pane," said Sybil, "Clouds are tapping drums," said Jane, "Let's go ask for star bread," "Let's do," Jane said.

Can't Stop Him. The World publishes the popular vote in the November election and confirms the general impression that Mr. Harding will be the next president.—New York Evening Post.

No Union Hours for Them. The cabinet makers are busy as usual working overtime and free of charge.—Baltimore American.

How to Keep Well

By DR. W. A. EVANS

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.

HOW TO GET VITAMINES. Growing children need to eat plenty of food in the form of fat, starch, and lean, but they must have plenty of growth vitamins as well.

Milk is the best of all foods for young children because it is easily digested, contains the elements needed to nourish and is a standard source for these growth vitamins.

The amount of fat soluble vitamins found in various plants is standardized in comparison with butter. Experimenters find that grass contains even more of it than butter.

The fat soluble growth substance is not destroyed when heated to the temperature employed in cooking. The water soluble growth substance is just as widespread in nature.

Inflection Probable Cause. E. A. D. writes: "What is the cause of stone in the kidney?"

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The Bee's Letter Box

Philippines and Pans.

Omaha, Dec. 24.—To the Editor of The Bee: I am not writing this letter to take issue with you on the question of whether or not there is really such a bill introduced by one Senator Santos of the island congress, as that one you made reference to in your editorial entitled "Trousers and Democracy."

Senator Santos in presenting such a bill must have taken cognizance of the fact that the Filipinos have been already grossly misrepresented in the United States.

REPLY. 1. Slight afternoon temperature. 2. Slight cough, generally with a little sputum.

REPLY. 1. Apply a little aromatic spirit of ammonia or soda water. 2. Powdered moth balls or flake naphthalene. Sprinkle the flake on the rug.

REPLY. R. I. J. writes: "A bet that a fishy made from prunes, molasses and distilled water, cooked through a regular still, will afterwards become poisonous."

REPLY. Depends on who defines poisonous. Molasses fermented and then distilled makes rum.

REPLY. M. M. S. writes: "Will X-ray remove superfluous hair permanently?"

REPLY. Yes. Hair can be removed permanently with the X-ray. To do this considerable skill is required and at best the probability is that the skin will be somewhat injured.

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