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THE REPUBLICAN VICTORY

Special to the Iowa State Bystander.

SIOUX CITY, Nov. 10, 1895.

The smoke of the battle of ballots has blown away, and we are amazed at the magnitude of our victory, for all along the line from Maryland to Kentucky the good news has gone forth that the people of this country are tired of democratic mismanagement, and they have determined to restore to power the party of protection. But these victories of '94 and '95 mean something. The victory means the supremacy of the people; the lesson means popular contempt for the incompetency of Grover Cleveland's administration, and victory and lessons combined means a responsibility for the victor. With the democratic party in possession of all the departments of our government, and the patronage incident to the ruling of our people combined to strengthen it in its position, and yet never since the birth of the republican party did the party receive such significant and enthusiastic endorsement as it has in recent elections. The circumstances under which these results were obtained were exceptional. It was an off year in our politics. No president was to be chosen, only local officers, but the voters were not off-year voters. Now call the roll of States, and mark how many arrayed themselves on the side of the republican cause; states that were reliable showed their loyalty by increased majorities; states heretofore doubtful brought eager and willing support, and Kentucky and Maryland heretofore hostile made haste to join the resistless march, keeping step to republican music, and recording themselves under the republican banner. And I think that the popular verdict of Nov. 5, '95 is plain. In a word, it means that the American people have had enough of the democratic party. To express it more in detail, it means that the American people favor no party that does not believe in the American system of protection, in maintenance of the honor and supremacy of the American flag, in honest money, in a decent civil service, and in justice to the nation's defenders. Nor do they believe in any party, whatever its principles or pronouncements, that do not believe in

esty and ability to carry them into successful execution. And the American people has not called the republican party to power to serve party purposes, but to serve their own, to retain the fruits of its victory. The party must deserve them. It must hold fast to its principles, and putting behind all questions of mere party expediency, with a view only to patriotic purposes, courageously and conscientiously face every question of national policy affecting the interests of the people. No party can live on its past. It must adequately meet the burning questions of the time and anticipate the exigencies of the future. The mission of the republican party, now possessed of power in only one branch of the government; is to prevent so far as possible further democratic mischief and to secure for the country and its business interests the rest so much needed, when restored to power. With proper conduct on its part, it will be its mission to lead the country out of the wilderness into which democratic stupidity has plunged it, by such legislation as shall conform to the conscience, the intelligence and the lofty purposes of the American people.

Several of our young men, now that the election is over, are capering for some of the political plums. J. W. Taylor, our deputy, has made a fine record as an official, and while there may be some who do not agree with the writer, it is common comment that he has not winked at wrong, but has manfully and courageously done his duty, hoping that his past record will again commend due consideration from the sheriff-elect.

George W. Baptist and B. Dyson have associated themselves in partnership and opened up a nice and neat lunch room on the corner of Third and Nebraska street, where one can always find accommodation. The Colored Republican club held a very interesting meeting on Thursday evening. Being a permanent organization they are getting in trim for the spring campaign and also the presidential, and at each meeting some national issue is discussed. They have become aware of the fact that to accomplish anything they must be organized, for "in union there is strength."

Omaha Progress: The lynching of Jefferson Ellis, an alleged Afro-American rapist, at the hamlet called Clofton Summit in Tennessee, was so unspeakably fiendish that even those newspapers that have heretofore regarded such occurrences as mere common-place incidents were shocked into headlining it as "unprecedented brutality," and other strong expressions of denunciation. First one ear was cut off, then the other, his fingers and thumbs, and his clothes were torn away and he was hanged to a telegraph pole, lowered and his head cut off with pocket knives, then hanged again by the feet. The head was preserved to be sent as a present to the family of the little girl whom he attempted to assault and the headless body left swinging by the feet with a placard forbidding anyone to cut it down. One scarcely knows whether to regard the actors in this horrible scene as men or devils in human form. Their conduct was surely infernal.

An ex-slave convention is to be held at Fort Scott, Kansas, on the 25th inst. Delegates are expected from all the counties of the State. The object is to formulate some measure to be presented to congress looking to the amelioration of the condition of the colored race.

Parsons (Kas.) Blade: The civilized Americans are making great ado over the massacre of the Armenians, but a Negro in Tennessee can be chopped and hacked to pieces and the pieces preserved as trophies of the bar-bary, and no grunt is heard

Taking a bird's-eye view of both cases we are led to believe that the sympathy (?) of Americans for the Armenians is merely a mockery—a pretention, a show-off. We believe the civilization (white) of this country could do even worse than the Mohammedans and feel proud of their work. Such is our belief of the condition of affairs in the United States.

Every friend of civil and religious liberty will rejoice in the finding of the Tennessee jury in favor of the Adventists who were arrested on the charge of Sabbath breaking. We believe it more of a physical necessity than a religious duty to rest one day in the week. One day in the week is just as holy as all of the others and no more so. A crime committed on the Sabbath is just as bad as one committed on another date. Religious bigotry has held sway long enough. The world needs today religious common sense; something that cares for the sick, the helpless and unfortunate, and that is not afraid to espouse a just cause.

The fact that American Christians and Armenians are butchered by the Turks is no greater than the fact that law abiding, industrious Negroes are lynched, shot and burned by a lawless element of southern "chivalry." The constant appeal for aid to send missionaries to such a country, when loyal Afro-Americans at home need protection from desperadoes and villains, seems to us to be entirely untimely and unwarranted. This condition of affairs is deplorable. We should first Christianize America and protect its own; then there is ample time to Christianize other portions of the world.

South Carolina stands about forty-fifth in point of illiteracy among the states. Yet she is wrestling with the question of Negro supremacy. Her inhabitants seem to be in a dilemma—on one side is the constitution of the United States and on the other is the Negro and the school house. The question of education was discussed in the constitutional convention for several days, the principal object being to keep the Negro from gaining an education. It presents a strange sight to see free men discussing the question of their supremacy and how they may retain it against those who have been free men but a generation.

What can be expected of Governor Culbertson? He is the man who called an extra session of the Texas legislature to prohibit a prize fight. A few days later an innocent and inoffensive colored man was burned alive in his state, being charged with some heinous crime of which there was not an iota of proof. The governor sat on his throne as mute and immovable as a statue. God forbid that such cowardly short-sighted officials can long carry on such hypocritical actions.

Sheffield, Eng., Telegraph and Star: Apart from the primary question of the recognition of the black man as a human being, such a resolution opens the flood gates of lust. The white man may decline to recognize the Negro as a man and a brother, but he is by no means so particular in declining association with the Negro. She may not be good enough for a wife, but comely specimens of her race are not too black to be adopted as mistresses.

Among the applications for pardon from the State penitentiary is one man who shot and killed a man who ruined his sister, a girl of 17. He has served ten years and is entitled to a pardon. If a widow's daughter of tender years had had a brother with a steady nerve and a good revolver, there would probably be one less Negro preacher in Iowa.

There is no time in life when books do not instruct a man of woman.

Ohio has three Afro-American members of the legislature this year. Similar results could be attained in Iowa if a united effort is put forth. The Ohio members are Prof. W. H. Parham, of Cincinnati, William R. Stewart, of Youngstown, and H. C. Smith, editor of the Cleveland Gazette. The two former are lawyers. They are all men of marked ability. H. C. Smith was re-elected. His plurality was over 10,000.

Rev. J. F. Carney of Muncie, Ind., has an article in the Parsons (Kansas) Blade on the progress of the Race. It is well worded and the trend of thought is that the joys and comforts of emancipation are gradually being reached and the race must make the best of every opportunity.

Rev. S. F. Smith, author of "America," and one of our country's most distinguished poets, dropped dead in the New England depot, Boston, Saturday evening, November 16. Deceased was born in Boston, was 87 years of age, and was a man of high education and attainments.

Mr. J. M. Cargill was elected to the council in the city of Baltimore, making a strong Afro-American representative.

A man's task is always light if his heart is right.

OUR FRIENDS WRITE LETTERS

OTTUMWA NEWS.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.

A quiet week socially, and business is very dull.

Mrs. George Roberson, who has been sick for some time, is much improved.

Next Sunday is quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. church. Rev. Barley, P. E., will be present.

Both churches are preparing to have a grand time Thanksgiving. A Thanksgiving dinner will be served at the A. M. E. church, and in the evening an excellent program will be rendered.

Miss F. A. Brown, who has been sick for a long time, is convalescing.

Where is all of our literary people and our statesmen gone to, that we don't hear anything more of them? Is it possible that we are going to give up in despair? We know it is dull times and the clouds hang low, but this is no reason why we should sit down, fold our arms and say there is nothing more. Let's be a live and an active people, start something that will be of interest to the public and a benefit to the community.

Little Mable Harris is reported to be slowly improving.

On the evening of the 18th occurred the marriage of Mrs. Clara Vinson and I. D. Crawford at the home of the bride. There were only a few of their many friends present. Those present were M. Turner and wife and H. Williams and wife. Rev. P. P. Taylor officiated. The bride and groom are well known in this community and have the best wishes of their many friends.

J. B. W. R. C. met at the pleasant home of Mrs. Minna Owens. It was a beautiful afternoon and the ladies were treated to some grand papers; the absent members missed a great treat. The meeting adjourned to meet at Mrs. J. Hamilton's. The ladies were served by the hostess to a Puritan lunch—ginger bread, apple sauce.

SIOUX CITY NOTES.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.

Mrs. John Schores left last Friday for Pueblo, Colo., where she will reside in the future.

C. G. S. Mills has just received a letter of invitation from John G. Jones of Chicago, to attend the national conference of Afro-Americans, which convenes in Detroit December 12.

It is a source of joy to the many friends of Willis Mills to know that he is improving.

Low Hall, of minstrel fame, is in the city accompanied by his wife.

The Chicago & Northwestern railway has put on dining cars, and one crew spends each evening in the city, leaving at 5:30 next morning.

The first snow storm of the season visited us on the 18th.

Rev. Ford is preaching some very interesting sermons now. All should attend.

What is the matter with the Afro-Americans of Sioux City? Why don't you subscribe for the BYSTANDER, the only colored journal of our race published in the state; fearless, and the champion of right and justice. The official organ of the Negro in the state. Wake up and send your subscription to the office of the Bystander, and show by your actions, not by words, that you are in favor of advancing the race—and you can show your sincerity.

Messrs. Doyle and Lawrence, of Ottumwa, are spending a few days in the city.

The many friends of Oskaloosa were pleased to find that she won't tell anyone.

Mrs. Bacon is trying to get a divorce from her husband.

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returned to the ranks of the republican party, for we have always admired him, if we differed politically.

At the meeting of the Colored Republican club on Thursday evening, George Stovall was recommended over J. G. Carter for a position at the capital during the coming winter. Success to you, George.

Mr. Johnson, who is employed in the railway mail service, of Chicago, Ill., is visiting in the city for a few days. Don't fail to subscribe for the IOWA STATE BYSTANDER.

OSKALOOSA NOTES.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.

A number of Oskaloosans attended the quarterly meeting at Muchiknock Sunday at the A. M. E. church. Presiding Elder Burleigh was present.

Mrs. L. D. Backner went to Memphis, Mo., Tuesday, called there by the illness of a relative.

Union services will be held at A. M. E. church Thanksgiving day. Rev. White, pastor of Wesley Chapel, will deliver the sermon.

Mrs. Lovey Lee spent a few days visiting friends in Muchiknock returned home Sunday.

Secretary Heaven of the Y. M. C. A. will lead the meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. Sunday evening at 6:30 at A. M. E. church. Come and you will be made welcome.

Charles Buckner was down from Sharon Thursday.

Mr. Bridewell of Muchiknock was an over Sunday visitor.

DAVENPORT NEWSLETS.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.

The ladies of the Silver Autumn Leaf club held a business meeting at the residence of Mrs. Prentiss on Western avenue on 18th, and were treated to an elegant lunch.

Mrs. M. J. Gordon has so improved that she came out of the hospital on Tuesday. Her many friends will be pleased to learn that she has so far recovered as to be able to go to her home in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa.

Union services will be observed at the A. M. E. church, and Rev. E. C. Coles, pastor of the Baptist church, will preach the sermon.

Madam R. Richardson entertained at an informal tea Nov. 16.

Rev. E. C. Coles preached an eloquent sermon on the subject of "Peace" at his church last Sabbath evening.

Mrs. C. H. Marshall tendered a birthday surprise party to Mrs. L. V. Bean on the 11th inst.

Sir Rufus R. Dodson, C. G. M. of the Knights and Daughters of Labor of the Illinois jurisdiction, will be in Davenport in the near future.

Rev. Gordon of Mt. Pleasant came to our city last Monday to take his wife home.

CEDAR RAPIDS NOTES.

Special Correspondence of the Bystander.

The L. I. D. Circle met on the 15th with Mrs. Person, with the vice president in the chair. The ladies began potting the quilt together, which will be, when finished, a very pretty article. They shall dispose of it in some way, and the proceeds will go to the church. After the work of the circle, they adjourned to meet with Mrs. Raspberry the 20th.

The A. M. E. church people will put in a furnace in the church about Dec. 1.

A grand Thanksgiving supper and Japanese wedding at the A. M. E. church the 18th. The marriage ceremony will be as it is solemnized in Japan.

Friday evening quite a number of young people surprised Miss Thomas. It was quite a treat for her, she having been confined to her room for eight weeks with rheumatism. A most enjoyable time was had.

Enos VanCamp, father of J. W. VanCamp, died Saturday morning at 5 o'clock with a complication of diseases, together with old age. He was about 81 years old and leaves a wife and two sons. He was buried on the 18th from the Universalist church.

Mrs. Richard Price was a little indisposed last week, but is much improved at this writing.

William Martin has moved on Ninth street.

Sunday, the 17th, being the sixteenth birthday of Harry Martin, his mother had planned to give him a surprise party, by inviting a few young people. She sent him away, and when he returned home he was caught from an adjoining room, and severely whipped as many licks as he was years old, and many more. Lunch was served with some of Harry's cake baking, after which all left for home wishing Harry many more birthdays.

Miss Clopatra Van Camp is home from Chicago.

Mrs. H. J. Martin, sister of ex-Consul Waller, received a long letter from him, and he states that he is in very poor health. He was highly pleased with the BYSTANDER that was sent him by his sister, owing to the fact that he and the Ruff Brothers were very great friends, and he had formerly worked for their father, James Ruff. He also said if he was well enough when he wrote again he would try and write an article for the BYSTANDER.

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PERSONALS.

Mrs. James L. Gates, of Milwaukee, owns a Bible that was brought over in the Mayflower in 1620.

Mrs. Adeline Patti, who was taken suddenly ill in Birmingham, is suffering from laryngeal catarrh.

Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth, wife of the commander of the Salvation Army, has started on a tour of the Pacific coast.

Col. M. Lewis Clark, the racing expert, is going to South Africa to visit his brother, Jefferson Clark, who has made a large fortune in mine speculation.

Alexander S. Williams, ex-captain and inspector of the New York police force, has been nominated for state senator by the Republicans of the Twelfth New York district.

Mark Twain has been quite a prolific inventor. His first patent, taken out in 1871, was a strap for suspending trousers. He has been assignee of quite a number of patents, several of recent date.

Gen. Gutierrez, governor of the state of San Luis Potosi, Mexico, who is now in Atlanta, is one of the richest men in Mexico, owning valuable farming lands and mining concessions. He is commander of the Mexican army.

It is said that the pope is strongly opposed to the proposed visit of the King of Portugal to Rome, and tried to dissuade the king from coming to the Italian capital. In valdian circles it is said that the pope will refuse to receive King Carlos, who is expected to arrive October 17.

A Hearty Welcome

To returning peace by day and tranquility at night is extended by the rheumatic patient who over these blessings to Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. Don't delay the use of this fine anodyne for pain and purifier of the blood.

An Optimist.

Buckton—How do you enjoy living in Comumersville when the weather is so beastly bad?

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one cure for the dreaded disease that has been able to cure in all its stages.

Caution.

Lady of the House—You can earn your dinner if you will chop that heap of firewood.

A FAMOUS PAPER.

The YOUTH'S COMPANION has become famous because there is hardly a famous man or woman in Great Britain or in the United States who does not contribute to the paper each year.

To those who subscribe at once sending \$1.75, the publishers make an extraordinary offer to send them a full year's worth of the paper for only \$1.00.

Guerrilla, the famous bull-fighter of Spain, earns \$50,000 a year by his profession. For each appearance in the arena he gets \$1,200.

Many a silly woman has been able to lead a wise man around by the nose. There may be religion in art, but there is no art in religion.

Brings comfort and improvement and tends to personal enjoyment when rightly used. The many who live better than others and enjoy life more, with less expenditure, are more promptly adapting the world's best products to the needs of physical being.

Its excellence is due to its presenting in the form most acceptable and pleasant to the taste, the refreshing and truly beneficial properties of a perfect laxative; effectually cleansing the system, dispelling colds, headaches and fevers and permanently curing constipation.

Syrup of Figs is for sale by all druggists in 50c and \$1 bottles, but is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, whose name is printed on every package, also the name, Syrup of Figs, and being well informed, you will not accept any substitute if offered.

ARE YOU A DEMOCRAT? Presidential Year. You will find aid and comfort in THE CHICAGO CHRONICLE, the most acceptable and pleasant of the west. Daily edition 5c per year. No subscription for less than 12 months.

GIVEN AWAY. If it does not save the life of the sick, it is a waste of money. Send for circulars. Martin & Morrissey, Chicago, Ill.

Spot On. Nothing is so common as to see a man's fingers get so he cannot grasp anything. It is caused by a lack of blood in the hands.

THANKSGIVING IN THE COUNTRY.



Table with two columns: THANKSGIVING DINNER No. 1 and THANKSGIVING DINNER No. 2. Lists various dishes like Mock Turtle Soup, Chicken Pie, etc.

THE MAITLAND BOYS.

AY, Bill, s'pose we fellows give Widow Gray a regular surprise party Thanksgiving-Ev'ing eve.

Tom said, "I guess we used to have as good a time as anybody when father was alive; but mother says we mustn't expect a turkey or a mince pie this year."

"Then I want at least six pumpkins, and here comes in the fun—these 'surprise pumpkins' will be such pumpkins as you've never seen in all your life."

The next three days were busy days. I can tell you, for the surprise party; but 'Squire Fliske' gave the turkey and the 'fixings'—celery and cranberries—

"I don't see what makes people go to football games on Thanksgiving Day," remarked his wife. "It hasn't anything to do with the spirit of the occasion."

Humor of the Day. Old Turkey—Are you trying to lay anything by this year?

Young Turkey—No; I shall be satisfied if I can only keep ahead until after Thanksgiving.

IT BEATS THEM ALL. Twenty-four Hours Chicago to Atlanta. The popular Big Four Route has, in connection with the Queen & Crescent and Southern railway, established a fast schedule between Chicago and Atlanta.

A Child Enjoys. The pleasant flavor, gentle action and soothing effects of Syrup of Figs, when in need of a laxative, and if the father or mother be constive or bilious, the most gratifying results follow its use.

How Are You Going to Stop Him? The young man who has to get up with the sun should never sit up too late with the daughter.

never went to a football game in my life that I didn't feel tremendously thankful that I wasn't one of the players.

The above goes very well with the experience of the little girl, who looked up the dog in a dark closet while the family were at church Thanksgiving Day, so that he might be thankful when they came home and let him out—EX.

SWEET CHARITY. O Charity, dear messenger, From heaven's courts descend, And to our earth-born hearts the gift Of thy sweet influence lend.

Remind us, when a Father's grace Hath blessed with many a gift, That there are those whom we may help From sorrow's gloom to lift.

Early Thanksgiving Days. The first recorded Thanksgiving was the Hebrew feast of the tabernacles.

The first national English Thanksgiving was on September 8, 1588, for the defeat of the Spanish Armada.

There have been but two English Thanksgivings in this century. One was on February 27, 1872, for the recovery of the Prince of Wales from illness; the other, June 21, 1887, for the Queen's Jubilee.

The New England Thanksgiving dates from 1633, when the Massachusetts Bay Colony set apart a day for Thanksgiving.

The first national Thanksgiving proclamation was by Congress during the Revolutionary War.

The first great American Thanksgiving Day was in 1784, for the declaration of peace. There was one more national thanksgiving in 1789, and no other till 1863, when President Lincoln issued a national proclamation for a day of thanksgiving.

The Thanksgiving Turkey. Oh! Turkey with cranberry jelly! Oh! Doughnuts and pudding and pie!

Oh! Turkey with cranberry jelly! Oh! Doughnuts and pudding and pie! If there is ever a time when we want our turkey to be tender and juicy, it is for the Thanksgiving dinner.

A turkey is greatly improved by drawing the sinews from the legs. This converts the otherwise coarse and tough flesh of the drumstick into delicate meat.

If you prefer to stuff your turkey, place enough in slit of neck to fill the cavity made by removing the crop; fill the breast with the remainder and sew firmly.—The Household.

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Christian science may be all right for dyspepsia, but the doctor's prescription that sends for a regular physician when he has a carbuncle.

FREE FARE TO TEXAS

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LONDON, November 23.—The Evening News publishes a letter from Huetto, a small town of Belochistan, near the Afghanistan frontier, which states that the ameer of Afghanistan is greatly annoyed at the failure of Nazrullah Khan, his second son, to arrange for a permanent Afghanistan representative at London during his recent visit in England.

MAY HAVE TO FIGHT ENGLAND. She Claims Our Alaskan Gold Fields on Her Maps.

WASHINGTON, B. C., November 21.—An Associated Press reporter has examined the new maps made by the British surveyors surveying the line between the British northwest and Alaska.

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MORE OR LESS HUMOROUS.

She—What is your favorite instrument? He—Poker—but I never play without notes.—Life's Calendar.

Physician—How did you get such a cold? Patient—What has that got to do with your business of curing it? It is a condition, not a theory, that confronts you.—Boston Transcript.

A maiden writes: "Can you tell me how to change the color of my hair, which all the young men tell me is red? Certainly we can. Get rich; they will then call it golden or Auburn.—Erie Messenger.

"But Jumpsey drinks so." "He's no worse than Bunker." "Yes, he is, too." "Not a bit of it. Bunker is all full all the time and Jumpsey is all full all the time. It's an even thing.—Illustrated Fashion Review.

Dozer—Do you think that constantly wearing a hat has a tendency to make a man bald? Jazzlin—No; but when a man is bald I've noticed that it has a tendency to make him constantly wear his hat.—Roxbury Gazette.

Stiffus (a neighbor)—Hello, Jones, what you doin'? Laying down a carpet? Jones (who has just wacked his thumb)—No! you blasted idiot—the carpet was here when we moved in, I am just putting the floor under it.—Truth.

He—Miss Kitty, I've heard it said that a kiss without a mustache is like an egg without salt. Is that so? She—Really, Mr. Smoothface, I don't know. I can't tell for in all my life I never—He—Now, now, Miss Kitty! She—Ate an egg without salt!—Comic Cuts.

"Mary, I thought I told you you couldn't have company in the kitchen." "This is only me brother, mum." "Your brother! H'm!" "You see, mum, it's only two minutes since I promised to be his sister, mum."—Harper's Bazar.

Watto—I don't know but that I rather like this horse. Is it an animal my wife can drive? Halceide—I don't know. Watto—You ought to know. You say you raised the horse. Halceide—Yes, I allowed I did, but I never seen your wife try to drive.—Indianapolis Journal.

Awkward. She—Can you tell me who that exceedingly plain man who was speaking to just now? He—That was my brother. She (much confused)—Oh, I beg pardon, I had not noticed the resemblance.

In 1915. Maude—I really believe Cholly is going to get married. Ester—What makes you think so? Maude—I hear he has joined a cooking school.

Farming by Irrigation. A recent number of the Grand Junction News says: "If the people who visited Grand Valley on Pacific Road could see our farms they would be amazed to find that they would find in the Grand Valley what they would find in the Grand Valley."

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Daniel Scheune, who, it is said, once saved the life of the old emperor of Germany has applied to the poor authorities of Denver for assistance.

I could not get along without Figs for Constipation. It always cures.—Mrs. E. C. Mott, New Bedford, Mass., Oct. 29, '94.

W. L. Ludlum White, of Jamaica, N. Y., casts a big shadow for a boy fifteen years. His weight is 292 pounds.

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GEMS OF THOUGHT.

Vanity is a poison of agreeableness.—Greville.

What makes life dreary is want of motive.—George Eliot.

Lonely has almost always wisdom and justice on its side.—Hosea Ballou.

Get your enemies to read your works in order to mend them, for your friend is so much like your second self that he will judge too much like you.—Pope.

Humanity is divided into pounds, shillings and pence. The pound rule, the shilling trade and the pence labor. The unconsidered trifles are the farthings.—Labouchere.

In every kind of art there is a degree of excellence which may be reached, so to speak, by the mere use of one's own natural talents. But at the same time it is impossible to go beyond that point, unless art comes to one's aid.—Goethe.

The question is not whether a doctrine is beautiful, but whether it is true. Man is made to go to a place, we don't ask whether the road leads through a pretty country, but whether it is the right road, the road pointed out by authority, the turnpike road.—Julius Hare.

I do not think that we have any right to think of a heaven for others, much less of a heaven for ourselves, in the world to come until we are wholly determined to make this world a heaven for our fellow men, and are hoping, believing, loving and working for that and its realization, not in a thousand or a million years, but in a nearer and a nearer future.—Stopford A. Brooke.

God is perfectly powerful because he is perfectly and infinitely of use, and perfectly good because he delights utterly and always in being of use, therefore we can become like God only in proportion as we become of use. All life, all devotion, all piety are only worth anything—only divine and God like and God beloved—as they are means to that one end—to be of use.—Charles Kingsley.

HISTORICAL. The Gregorian calendar was adopted in Great Britain in September, 1752, the third of that month being called the fourteenth.

Speaking of the visit of Lafayette to this country in the winter of 1824-25, the American Monthly Magazine of Washington says: "It was during these days that George Ticknor, of Boston, presented a foreign gentleman to a President Adams. Politics was a taboed subject, but just as they were to take their leave Mr. Adams asked Mr. Ticknor how the election was proceeding in the house. Mr. Ticknor replied that he understood it depended on the vote of New York. Mr. Adams arose and exclaimed: 'Then God help us! As boy and man I have known New York politics for seventy years, and her politics have always been among the devil's incomprehensibilities.'"

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