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STOP AND THINK. The New York Sun and Herald published the following the other day:

On September 26, 1803, or just 117 years ago yesterday, a dignified and solemn group of officials of the sleepy little city of New York gathered "out in the country" for the purpose of laying the cornerstone of an important public building. The public building still stands, but nobody paused yesterday to mark the anniversary of its start, except perhaps one of the sharp-eyed policemen who are guarding it against bomb plotters. The building is city

The region north of what is now Chambers street in those days was almost a wilderness, and the choosers of the site were widely con-demned by some of their townsmen, it is said. Mayors could only spend week-ends in old Bushwick, so inaccessible were the towns to

It is hard to believe that the fathers of some men now !iving would not be old men when New York was so small. Millions have been added to its population and many more millions have come and gone. What happened to New York has to a less extent happened to the whole world. London itself had only about a million inhabitants at the beginning of the nineteenth century.

And what changes in life. The United States itself was young. The world knew little of man eloquent, the Hon. Joseph Howe, of

. said is true that in eighty-five years we have wars-but what then? Since the last we had fifty years of peace, and there the late Civil War than there were in national wars between this country Britain. The people of the United to draw together the two conflictis and make them one people. In feel that we ought to rule out and unite together as one people e two countries. United as they ald have them draped together, d. and let

varying tints unite Heaven's light

WONDERFUL TEACHER.

ded of Dr. Thomas Arnold by his grapher, Lytton Strachey, that troducing morals and religion into his of education at Rugby, he aftered the atmosphere of English public school life, in a state of "Anarchy, tempered by des-"This he achieved not by changing machinery of education, but by giving it a w propulsion. Having passed through some early spiritual perturbation, from which happily the wise counsel of the eminent divine. John Keble, delivered him, he soon discerned with alarm the lack of Christian principle in prevailing conditions, manifested especially in the literature of the day. His distinguished life achievement as a teacher reflected his intelligence, conviction and earnestness

In the midst of a period when educational conceptions and processes are being reshapen. it becomes us betimes to consider well that Greater Master Teacher of Galilee, from whom Dr. Arnold drew his inspiration, and to whose transcendence all the ages bear tribute. Ridiculed by the scholastics of His time for lack knowledge, despised, hated, mobbed and ally killed, what was the secret of His ching genius, which even the unbelieving tic concedes will never be surpassed, no crowds always hung upon His lips for and teach," the pedagogy of His gospel een progressive and life-giving. group of disciples, trained in His own nally-conducted normal school, He comed a legacy of teaching, outlined in what been described as their ordination sermon the mount. It possessed the unanswerable merit of being a translation into words of His own life. Its simplicity and directness, profundity and far-reaching sweep continue to this hour to be the despair of exegetes and imitators. Like a vast stream of Divine wis-

upon its shores. Whether addressing himself to an individual He strikes a positive and constructive note. He does not side-track his students into doubts and mental facts of life and eternal destiny. He for his lesson under cover of night that

dom, interpreters and social reformers dis-

cover themselves to be mere children, dabbling

again, dropping the pungent reminder-"master in Israel" ought to "know these things." The self-righteous who expected salvation by personal merit he directed to humble confession of sins like the publican. He took as much care in teaching one sinful woman by a wayside well as he would a group of D.D.'s in the Temple. His penetrating message went to her heart with converting power. As He un rolled the film of her career she knew that the Messiah had crossed her path. When He overtook two troubled souls in the Emmau Road He takes infinite pains to make clear to them from all the Scriptures, beginning with Moses and the Prophets, the things concerning Himself. The specific direction given to "search the Scriptures, they are they which testify of me" is as sound and needful today as when the words were first attered. His method discloses the incomparable value of individual contact in teaching and a knowledge of the scholar's

He relied upon illustrative instructionvithout a parable spake He not unto them. That is said to have been in deference to the imagery-loving Eastern mind, but experience emonstrates its universal adaptability. He was speaking to humanity everywhere and always. His vocabulary was vivid and beautiful. An accurate and loving observer of nature and the current ways of life. He understood what was in man, and therefore did not blunder by is worth a great deal more to a cause than a dead random teaching. He knew and relied upon the sacred Scriptures, that was fundamental; but He comprehended his constituency just as well so that the crafty could never entangle his lucid candor. His teaching and preaching were full of local color and images drawn from business and domestic life, but above all from waxing fields, luscious vineyards, sheepfolds and gardens. The sunset and sunrise and a hundred other pictures were stored for reproduction in the splendid negatives of His mind. From the record. He wrote one sermon only and that with object lessons were familiar every day tools to this wonderful Galilean teacher, who took a little child to illustrate the trustful and receptive attitude toward truth that must characterize those who would enter the Kingdom of Heaven. By precept and example He educated the few to reach the many. In the crowded days the change to come with steam, electricity and of His brief term He never seemed too busy to welcome a sincere searcher for light, and He inspired respect, confidence and life devotion. He taught his followers a universal prayer that still voices the world's deepest needs and highderful." runs the prophecy of His coming, and no other word so fittingly expresses the manonships between the United States and ner, the substance and the world-wide results

### EDITORIAL NOTES.

Few men are ever too busy to listen to flat-

The number of half-grown girls one sees wearing rouge these days makes one wonder just how many mothers ought to get a good

"Nearly all the young men have left town and the old ones are wearing rubber collars." is the rather unique excuse given by a Chinese

up payments of the indemnity are probably giad that Germany did not get that place in the sun the kaiser was so anxious to secure.

Judging from conversations overheard on important questions of the hour are: "Has your rent been raised?" and "Have you got

## GETTING BACK TO NORMAL.

[Vancouver Sun.] Within the past few weeks there has been unrest throughout Canada. There are still strikes and rumors of strikes, but the sense of uneasiness as to what the future might bring forth seems to be disappearing. The amount of discontent with things in general is now hardly more than may always be found in any community where men are

The effects of the war are passing off. The returned men as a body have resumed their place as ordinary citizens engaged in peaceful occupations. The industries which were devoting their energies to destructive purposes are now once more doing something for the increase instead of the depletion of the national wealth. The harvest for the year has been large, and promises to sell at a satisfactory price. Even the cost of living is showing symptoms of weakness. If it is not exactly plunging downwards, it is at any rate no longer.

improvement before the ideal can be said to be attained. The amount of good-will prevailing among the different classes of the community could still be substantially increased without doing any harm. Co-operation still has more vogue as a subject of conversation than in actual practice.

Nevertheless, there is reason to be thankful for the progress made to date. The country is getting

back to normal, and a lengthened era of steady prosperity would seem to be at hand.

BEACHCOMBING just now is the beachcomber: Every day, just after high tide, he may be seen walking along the foreshore, eyes glued to the sands which have speculated as to the object of his search. Like the rest of humanity, he is out for money. Children and adults have a habit of losing coins on the sands. and adults have a habit of losing coins on the saints, a loss which to them seems irretrievable. But the beachcomber knows that the money is not hopelessly lost. The high tide sweeps the sands and rocky crevices, washing away the lighter soil and leaving the heavier articles high and dry. It is not difficult to find coins, because they have usually been rubbed quite bright. But they must be picked up at once or they are covered by the next wave and hidden, or they are covered by the next wave and hidden, it may be for several tides. The occupation is it may be, for several tides. The occupation is all other colors, including green.

The blue in distant landscapes is likewise due Sleeping until the zephrs throng is not unusual for a beachcomber to pick up 10 to dust in the air. This produces what artists call To kiss their silence into song. when luck is especially favorable, more valuable contributions come to hand; a necklace or jewels dropped from some ocean liner and washed perhaps far view so much sought for as a front-door outhalf around the world before being cast upon the look. It is this that can make a hundred variations The angels' songs are less divine shore where they are found.

## COST OF LIVING PROBLEMS.

[Morning Oregonian.] Living costs are certain to decline slowly, but or to thronging thousands, he teaches with Divine authority and not in the stereotyped and hair-splitting terminology of the scribes.

Living tosts are certain to decline slowly, but tance lends enchantment to the view," because a summer dream, with marked effect. There is a point, of course, at hard lines are veiled in this thin blue drapery of the scribes.

Living tosts are certain to decline slowly, but tance lends enchantment to the view," because a summer dream, hard lines are veiled in this thin blue drapery of this point is the various industries must determine with their own consciences in a wage reduction. What they must reflect in a wage reduction. What this point is the various industries must determine with their own consciences in a wage reduction. What they must reflect in a wage reduction. What they must reflect in a wage reduction. What this point is the various industries must determine with their own consciences in a wage reduction. What they must reflect in a wage reduction. What they must reflect in a wage reduction with property of the scribes. this point is the various industries must determine with their own consciences, in all fairness. Unless they do so, with commodities subject only to the usual slight fluctuations, the economic stability of the nation will be overthrown and an era of hard times will ensue—in which both wages and prices will fall to the bottom. The purchasing public does not ask that wages be disturbed, with respect to the purchasing power. It is willing to share its proportion of the increase, in which it profits, but it does insist that the selling price shall be based upon actually increased cost, and nothing more.

Near hills are green, but distant hills are blue, the farther distance a fainter blue. By the color we estimate that yonder range of hills is such a distance beyond this. The Time's farewell kiss. Surely we'll see that country after Time's farewell kiss. Who would his lovely faith condole? Who envies not the Redskin's soul, it is the purchasing power. It is willing to share its proportion of the increase, in which it profits, but it does insist that the selling price shall be based upon actually increased cost, and nothing more.

## From Here and There

According to Popular Science Monthly, it would be hard work to count a fortune of a billion dollars. Counting out \$1 bills at the rate of 150 a minute for eight hours a day, it would take a billionaire years of 300 days to finish the job.

THE TELAUTOGRAPH.

The telautograph, an instrument which can give "electrically, at any distance, an exact facsimile of writing or drawing done at the transmitting station. is doing away with messenger service in many large nmercial and industrial plants.

APOSTLES OF GLOOM.

[Washington Post.]
Between Bolshevism, the income tax and the rise threatened in the price of coal because of the 'vacations' of the miners, everybody nowadays is romen were accustomed to look on the bright side of things, to laugh occasionally and to enjoy the fleeting moments as they passed, but now a Cfmmerian gloom seems to have settled on the human race, and the world so rarely smiles that the gayety of nations may be supposed to have gone into the discard and been lost in the shuffle.

(Boston Herald.) Have you noticed that no one is warning the

public as in other years against eating too meat in hot weather. A FOOLISH SUICIDE.

Too bad someone hasn't been able to make the starving mayor of Cork realize that a live agreator

TREAT HIM COURTEOUSLY.

Some people ought to remember that when the newspaper and the public, not satisfying own curiosity, and should therefore treat him

WHERE? [Kingston Standard.]
Where are all those substitutes for coal talked of for this winter?

THE BOY PROBLEM. Sunday last was rally day in the Sunday selthe country, and quite a few of the Hamilton observed the day. Those of us whose school days were little better than a nemory are willing to admit that in some respects good old days were not so highly organized for kind of work as they are today. less machinery connected with those schools, but perhaps the Bible and the Shorter Catechism were school lessons were much scarcer. There are few men or women in this city who had the ntage of a Sunday school training in their youth who will not gladly testify to the influence had upon their lives and conduct. One old olboy remembers with gratitude the labors of the old gentleman who spent many a year in drumming into his mind and heart the lessons which he extracted from the Word of God and from the catechism, yet he also remembers how distasteful to him at the time, and how at times now," remarked the foreman.
"Profiteer!" howled the

KEEP FAITH IN YOURSELF. [Office Appliance Notes.]

You may have lost out on the original plan, You may have fost out on the original plan, You may have found some friend at fault. But, after all, the vital question for you to answer is this: Have to drive, "I have to drive you lost faith in yourself?

What if you results afternoon to the country this afternoon to the country the country this afternoon to the country this afternoon the country this afternoon to the country this afternoon the country the count What if you are now in hard luck Many a great

achievement has been left undone because a man was too rich to keep at it. Poverty is more prolific Great ideas and great achievements, like the

Great ideas and great achievements, like the photo negative, must have time in the dark room to develop.

Every step upward in the splendid march to success is based on belief in self.

Don't begrudge your years of poverty and struggle; they are the richest of your life. They are the years in which you give no energy and thought to making a show, and in which the best there is in you is growing stronger than the obtaining the food of the struggle.

What the trouble is. If I'm to be very late I'll try to get you word."

Oh, don't trouble, dear," Mrs. Binks replied sweetly. "I already have the note saying that the garage man said in might be midnight before he could get the motor going again. You left it in your other cat, with one from Tom Smith saying that there would be a hungry kitty at Grogan's roadhouse to-night." there is in you is growing stronger than the ob-

leavy and your head bowed in sorrow, when defeat and despair seem to encom-pass you, when friends disappoint, then is the time when your soul is being molded into symmetry. When you are fully aware, thoroughly aroused perfectly sensible to your surroundings, always less real cause for alarm. Do you know that the unexpected that happens?

WHERE DO THESE MEN STAND?

stacles in your path, stronger than the limitations

Is Harding pro-German, and is Cox pro-whiskey These are the questions the American people ar

asking, and which they have a right to have asking, and which they have a right to have answered. Mr. Harding owes it to the people of America to declare himself flat-footedly whether if he is elected he will make a separate peace with Germany and do the other things which the successors of the notorious German-American alliance of war days are expecting of him. They are sup-porting him with the hope that he will use the soft pedal when making a final settlement with Ger

Mr. Harding, remaining mum, permits this doub to stay in the American mind, so that it is considerably disturbed. The Average American has a right to know where Mr. Harding stands. If he is against our allies and for Germany, then he is no man for president of the United States.

mo man for president of the United States.

Mr. Cox is credited by some and charged by others with being the whiskey candidate. The booze-fighters of the nation are passing the word booze-fighters of the nation are passing the word in the booze-fighters.

Without objections do what I tell have to do."

Ah, lady, it isn't a servant you need. Only by marrying again will you find what you want." around to vote for Cox, as he is all right on the whiskey question. Now, where does Cox stand on whiskey? He says that the wet question is as dead as slavery, but no such comparison can be honestly drawn—not when thousands of men in the United

THE COLOR OF BLUE.

[Minneapolis Journal.]

A blue dome spans a green earth, and always has since the day that man first learned to look upward. Blue and green are not harmonious colors—not as spread by the hand of man. So spread, they jangle. They distress the eye. They glare at each other. But the blue sky never glared at the green earth, and the green earth has smiled back at the blue sky since the day the Greater fished.

NOT SO BAD.

A returned soldier vacationist tells us that he was fishing in a pond one day, when a country boy who had been watching him for a distance, approached him and asked: "How many fish yer got, mister?"

"None yet," he was told.
"Well, yer ain't doin' so bad," said the youngster. "I know a feller what fished here for two weeks an' he didn't get any more than you got in balf an hour." at the blue sky since the day the Creator finished THE HAPPY HUNTING GROUNDS. them both and called them good.

Dust particles, we are told catch and reflect and into the rose gold westland, its yellow modify the white of pure sunlight, and so produce World of the bison's freedom, home of the blue we call sky blue—clean blue. The Almighty alone can make things clean and beautiful by adding dirt. All the inhabitants of the earth agree swathed. that a blue sky is "fair." Fair weather is blue sky weather. The beauty of it led some primitive

in one set landscape.

Blue is a measure of distance to the eye. When the air is more nearly dirt-free, far objects seem nearer. They also look more commonplace. "Distance lends enchantment to the view," because tance lends enchantment to the view," because

## Poetry and Jest

[From the Galveston News.] I'm just a little homeless dog; I guess
I started wrong;
My legs are much too short, they say;
and then my tail's too long.
I haven't any place to go, and people
on the street
Say 'Howdy, Pup," and pat my head,
but that ain't good to eat.

The other day I bit a boy, I didn't bite him bad,
Because he hit me with a rock, and
people called me mad.
And such a case you never saw, until
I dodged and hid—
They every last one blamed me for
that little thing I did.

wish I was adopted, for the weather's

AS IN YOUTH, SO IN AGE. [Florence, Kas., Bulletin.] In the dear old kid days we longed to be a man and carry money in our trousers pocket. We still do.

THE OLD BOG ROAD Katherine Edman, in the Kansas City Star.]

Oh! I'd like to leave behind me all the endless weary striving.
All the things the world teaches—the heavy aching load—
And to wander where the breezes blow—again that joyous thrill to know—On the wild and lonely beauty of the old bog rcad.
Oh! I'd like to leave behind me all the

Oh: I'd like to leave benind me all the cares, the weary burdens,
All the foolish, senseless things that are—the weary aching load—
And to wander for a summer day a hundred thousand miles away
Across the lonely stretches of the old bog road.

PULLING HIM DOWN. [Answers.]

Conceited Young Man: "I wonder why that young lady over there looks at me so much?" Sarcastic Young Lady: "She has weak eyes and the doctor told her to relieve them by looking at something green."

IRONY. (Louis Untermever)

Why are the things that have no death The ones with neither sight nor breath!

breath!
Eternity is thrust upon
A bit of earth, a senseless stone.
A grain of dust, a casual clod
Receives the greatest gif: of God.
A pebble in the roadway lies—
It never dies.
The grass our fathers cut away
Is growing on their graves today;
The tiniest brooks that scarcely flow
Eternally wil come and go. There is no kind of death to kill
The sands that lie so meek and still.
But man is great and strong and wise—
And so he dies.

IN ANY CITY. "I see the boss has an automobile who all owned their own.

ARRANGED. [New York Evening Post.] look at some property. The old 'bus isn't acting so very well, so if I am not home for dinner, or if I am even late in the evening getting home, you'll know what the trouble is. If I'm to be very

THROUGH MISTS OF RAIN. [Frank L. Stanton.]

place—
The valley, hill and plain;
And over all an unforgotten face
Through mists of rain. The sad sweet smile-the tender, pitying eyes
I shall not see again;

guise Through mists of rain. The voice that thrilled me with Love's

sweet unrest—
Its pleasure and its pain;
A lock of hair Love laid upon In mists of rain. O summer gardens, lost to all delight-

Dim hills and flowerless plain, It may be that she looks Love's way tonight Through mists of rain.

PITY THE POOR HUSBAND. Widow (engaging man servant)—Yes, I want a person who will do any kind of labor in or about the house—run errands, work in the garden—in short, a man who will immediately and without objections do what I tell him to do.

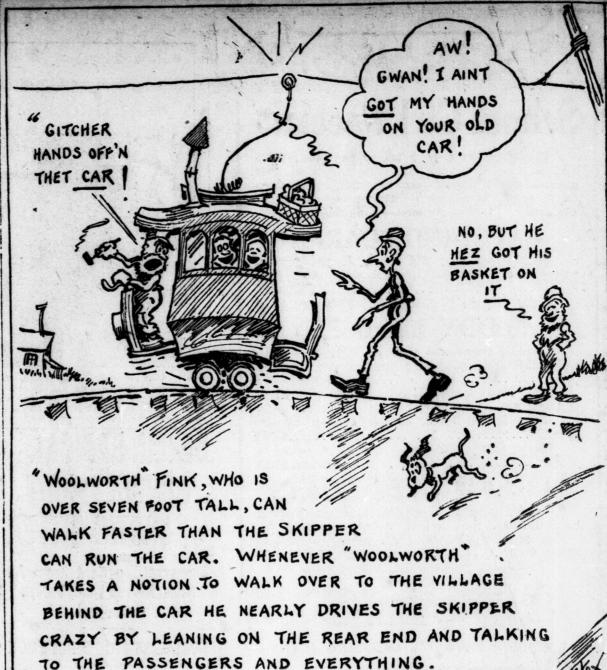
> HER PLAIN DUTY. [Boston Transcript.]

NOT SO BAD.

[E. Pauline Johnson.]

Farther than vision ranges, farther than

Whispers freighted with odor swinging



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