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PLANT TREES.

The holiday celebrated today in the planting of trees is the one national day in all our festivals that looks forward instead of backward.

All other holidays glorify occurrences and recall events and issues long past and settled, this one assists in the solution of one of the greatest of our national problems.

Whoever plants a tree makes a gift to the generation that is to come. Felling a tree, on the other hand, is a serious matter and should never be done except for good reasons.

The millions of trees that have been planted today give promise of a better and more desirable country a few years hence. The participation of millions of school children, and of students in higher schools in this recreation of tree planting indicates a higher sense of social obligation than that with which pupils were made acquainted a few years ago. The public participation of state officials in the work of planting shows that all parties agree upon certain first principles of the public good.

The emperor of China publicly plows a furrow once each year as an example to his subjects and as a reminder of the dependence of the world upon the bounty of the earth. The action of local officials is of similar import.

If you have not yet performed this pleasurable duty of planting trees or shrubs about your dwelling place, do it now and continue it, if necessary, for several days to come. An act so significant, so patriotic, and so wholesome as tree planting ought not to be disregarded by any citizen. Where duty and pleasure coincide, as they do in this case, all ought to heed the welcome summons in behalf of their country and of their children.

A SOUTH DAKOTA SCARE.

No falsehood is too absurd, no fabrication too contemptible for anti-Mormons to concoct and make use of. It seems that when that spirit takes possession it blunts the intellect and makes men and women as credulous as children, or superstitious negroes, capable of believing any tale that fancy may carry around. Designing agitators take advantage of this peculiarity and with all kinds of hogwash stories, fool their dupes into supporting their schemes and plots.

An illustration of this fact is found in the Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Argus-Leader. That paper has for some time printed, in black type, an article stating that the Church is furnishing funds for the campaign against Senator Kittredge of the state mentioned. This morsel is picked up in the paper that serves ex-Senator Dubois as receptacle for his literary garbage. It is to the effect that Kittredge, in the famous Smoot case voted against the proposition "to recognize the Mormon establishment" whatever this may mean—and now the Church is furnishing money to defeat him. Our South Dakota contemporary seems to be quite put out about the absurd story. It does not know, evidently, to what length anti-Mormons will go in testing the credulity of the public.

The Argus-Leader may rest assured that at that point, if Mr. Kittredge is not defeated until the Church appropriates money for that purpose, he will remain in the Senate until death removes him. But Mr. Kittredge cannot have very strong claims upon the gratitude of his constituents if his friends must rely upon an anti-Mormon lie connected in Idaho, for his re-election. The necessity of relying upon such questionable tactics is not flattering to the Senator. We would think he would resent it. Neither he, nor any honorable man, can permit his friends to lie him into the Senate.

We are not interested in the campaign in South Dakota, one way or another, but we protest against the effort to drag the Church into the political fray in any state. The Church is not in politics. In its own sphere it has the right to claim protection from all the assaults of political demagogues.

NO TIME FOR QUARREL.

The spectacle of what appears to be a personal quarrel between some members of the same political faith is not edifying. It would not occur, if the ambition to promote the general welfare were stronger than the desire for honor and offices.

Those who have followed the political development for the last few years say that the feud had its beginning in the legislative session of 1905 when Hon. Harry Joseph went to St. Louis on the trail of the World's Fair commission. The State senate by unanimous vote, at the end of the session, passed a resolution condemning the investigation and releasing itself from all responsibility therefor.

The Legislature of 1907 placed Mr. Joseph in the Speaker's chair, but owing to the friction of the previous session he had rather courted courtesy from the senate. A legislative trip to Richmond further accentuated the estrangement, as Mr. Joseph, while trying to make a speech, was applauded so incessantly that he was forced to stop. But the climax came when his name appeared before the senate in a communication from Gov. Cutler, suggesting him for membership on the state reform school board. When the question of confirm-

ing the appointment came up a majority vote was against Joseph. Gov. Cutler, however, named him as soon as the senate had adjourned, as a recess appointment, and he has since acted in that capacity and, as we happen to know, rendered very valuable service.

Without entering into any discussion of party politics, we may be permitted to say that the interests of the people are now best served by the elimination of all personal and petty considerations. When good citizens are held up by a gang of pirates, they have no time to air personal grievances. And that is very nearly the case. The City treasury has been emptied by a crowd that is reaching out for the financial resources of the County and the State. The control of Utah is coveted by a gang that is in sympathy with the dealers in sin and shame. The time is one in which the best thought and energy of politicians of all parties should be given to the public welfare and not personal interests.

ARCTIC EXPLORATIONS.

The latest opinion expressed about Arctic explorations for the purpose of locating the North Pole is, that it is sheer folly. That is the view of Captain Mikkelsen, an Arctic explorer with some experience. Others have expressed themselves to the same effect, but Captain Mikkelsen, if quoted correctly, gives some original reasons for his belief.

He says, among other things, that the earth is wobbling like a revolving top, and the Pole is, therefore, never in exactly the same place two days together. If Peary, he says, were to find it this coming summer, next summer it would have changed its place, and so no explorer coming after him would be able to follow his directions. If he tried to follow them he would miss the pole and swear that Peary was a rascal. The pole is believed to have wobbled through a large arc.

Another reason why it is folly, in Captain Mikkelsen's opinion, to try to locate the Pole, is that it is absolutely impossible to carry the necessary scientific instruments over the ice on sleds, and without the proper instruments observations (to verify one's position) are out of the question. The sanguine explorer can guess, it is true, that he is at the Pole, but the scientific world wants something more than a sanguine guess.

This reminds us of the argument advanced years ago by an old sea captain who said it would be impossible to locate the Pole for the reason that the compass would be absolutely useless at the spot where there is no direction but south.

Captain Mikkelsen spoke about the alleged, high records of some Arctic explorers. He expressed the opinion that the credulity of the world has been very severely taxed for some time past in accepting the "farthest north" latitudes claimed by successful explorers ambitious of "making a record." This may be readily accepted as true. Dead reckoning under adverse conditions by men anxious to obtain a record for achievements can have little scientific value. And that leaves the question wide open: How near the Pole has any explorer really been?

MARTYRED PRESIDENTS.

The 14th of April was the anniversary of the death of Abraham Lincoln which occurred on that date, 1865. In an article in Leslie's Weekly, W. H. Taylor describes this tragedy, as follows:

"About the middle of the third act a shot was heard and immediately thereupon rang out John Wilkes Booth's cry, 'Sic semper tyrannis!' He rushed to the stage, as has been stated in some accounts, neither did he jump from the box full height, with arms outspread and upstretched, as we often see him in illustrations. On the contrary, he placed both hands upon the rail of the box and swung himself over in that manner, thereby lessening the fall by a distance of his own height. One of his spurs caught in the American curtain which the box was draped, and he probably landed his whole weight on one foot. On striking the stage he pitched forward on all fours, and I then saw the blade of a long stiletto or dagger glisten in the footlights, as his hand lay on the floor. He quickly rose to his feet and took one or two uncertain steps, then, turning to face the audience, drew himself up in theatrical attitude, and, swinging his arm in a flash, Next came the piercing and horrid shriek of Mrs. Lincoln, and then arose a fearful commotion. Directly efforts were made by some parties to get into the box from the outside, but the door was barred from the inside. I next noticed a military officer standing on the shoulders of another man and endeavoring to climb up to the box from the stage.

Meantime, the President had remained sitting in his chair with his head bent forward, but I distinctly saw him rise once to his feet and in a dazed sort of way attempt to take a step or two. He was not upright, but half erect. Just then Maj. Rathbone came to his assistance, and, supported by the latter, he sank back into the chair. About this time I noticed Miss Laura Keane, who had reached the box from the private way back of the stage, who was said to have brought a glass of water which might refresh the President. The bar against the door having been removed from the inside, several people went into the box from the dress circle, and little more could be distinguished thereafter."

Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley, three of the noblest men that ever occupied the presidential chair, met their death at the hands of assassins. Lincoln was president during the Civil War, in which Garfield took a prominent part. McKinley was president during the war with Spain. Washington, the first in war, as well as in peace, escaped the tragic fate of Lincoln and McKinley, but he was not suffered to die a natural death. He was killed to death, if science, then had known what it knows now, his valuable life would have been spared for many more years.

The following statement concerning the last illness and departure of Washington is from an address by Dr. Joseph C. Guernsey, quoted in the Princeton Alumni Weekly:

"On December 12, 1799, General Washington mounted his horse and rode around his plantation, from 10 o'clock in the morning until 2 o'clock in the afternoon, in the most inclement weather—it rained, hailed and snowed,

He took cold, and that evening was very hoarse.

"Between 2 and 3 o'clock next morning he awoke with a violent chill. By daylight he was breathing with difficulty, and hardly able to utter a word intelligently. He desired that one of his overseers be sent for to bleed him before the doctor could arrive. Meantime a mixture of molasses, vinegar and butter was prepared to try its effect upon his throat—but he could not swallow a drop of it without being convulsed and almost suffocated. When the overseer began to bleed him, Washington said: 'The office is not large enough.' Half a pint of blood was taken from his arm and Mrs. Washington thought that was enough; but the General said: 'More, take more blood.' Mrs. Washington, however, was so uneasy that the overseer stopped. As the bleeding had done no good, and as he could not swallow the mixture of molasses, vinegar and butter, Washington's clerk decided the proper thing to do was to bathe his throat with sal volatile, which was done very gently with the hand, but poor Washington faintly articulated: 'It is very sore.' A piece of flannel dipped in sal volatile was then wrapped around his neck and his feet were bathed in warm water, but without affording any relief. Washington's own doctor (Galk) had now arrived, but, after examining the General, put a blister of cantharides on his throat, took some more blood from him, and had a gargle of vinegar and sage tea prepared—also ordered some vinegar and hot water for him to inhale the steam thereof. At this time another doctor was sent for (Dr. Dick) and then another (Dr. Brown) and, the General was bled again! No favorable effect was produced and he remained in the same state, unable to swallow anything. The consulting physicians soon arrived and they immediately bled him again! Calomel and tartar emetic were now administered—but without any effect. Thus passed the day, and in the early evening the physicians applied blisters and cataplasms of wheat bran to his legs and feet. Between 10 and 11 o'clock that same night General George Washington's soul passed on from its earthly tenement. Shortly before his death he said to the physicians: 'I feel myself going; I thank you for your attentions, but I pray you to make me more trouble about me. Let me go off quietly.'"

It almost looks as if Washington's name ought to be added to the list of martyred war presidents, though he was killed by friends and not by enemies.

Just an April shower, not a rain.

Those who are leery of Erie spell it cery.

The spring hat looks like a garden of roses.

Ships that pass in the night—Admiral Evans' fleet.

Every favorite son hopes that he will yet shine for all.

Where was Hinesy when Mr. Dooly's barn burned?

No second class fares to be had but second class cars in abundance.

"In contention assembled," would often be the more appropriate way to put it.

The battle may not be to the strong but sure it is that the battleship is to the fleet.

Paul Morton says that money for San Francisco is in sight. It must be second sight, though.

Is Gentle Annie aware that the springtime has come and that flowers are scattered o'er the plain?

It is a good thing to conserve the nation's resources, but the conservation should not take the form of paternalism.

Senator Foraker has analyzed the testimony taken as to the shooting up of Brownsville. Is this the final analysis?

Senator Foraker's argument on the evidence in the Brownsville case was calm and dignified but not quite colorless.

"The history of the American bar has been a glorious one," says the Washington Post. Not so, think the Prohibitionists.

Congress has made an appropriation to investigate the cattle tick. Why not have an appropriation to investigate the bed tick?

New York hotels may close their doors to Evelyn Thaw but she will find the path to reform always open, if she wishes to tread it.

Down in Texas it is unlawful to sell pistols but dealers lease them for fifty years. No man in Texas can be insured a lease of life for fifty years.

Mark Twain has joined the Anti-Noise society. Mark has made a good deal of noise in the world in his time but it has been a pleasant sound and has made men laugh.

The Mormon battalion went to California at the call of their country, now let the High School cadet battalion go to see what a change has come over California since those pioneer days.

A Chicago woman thinks that school children should be taught to salute policemen, on the ground that the police forces of the cities should appeal to Americans as among our patriotic organizations. Wouldn't "political" be a better word than "patriotic"?

"Emperor William II is never without his revolver, and he is extremely skillful in the use of the weapon. It is inspected and freshly primed every morning, so as to make sure it is in perfect working order," says the London P. T. O. From this one would fancy that his majesty carries a flintlock instead of a cartridge pistol.

FAMINE IN INDIA.
New York Evening Post.

Famine conditions in India are acute, and growing more so. The weekly distress bulletins from the secretary of state for India, which are the standing feature of every Indian harvest season, now tell of a population of more than one and a half millions which is in receipt of state relief in the form of employment on government works or gratuitous aid. The distress is centered in the United Provinces of Agra and Oudh, in northern India, where, at the end of March, the number of men engaged on relief work was 357,000, and of those in receipt of free aid 378,000. The victory's

telegrams observe with official self-restraint that "there are some signs of deterioration in the general condition of the people and that this is increasing." Lord Minto estimates the value of lost crops in the United Provinces alone at \$75,000,000. The price for grain foods is abnormally high. It is again the old story of a swarming population clinging to the very edge of subsistence when conditions are most favorable, and reduced by the slightest shortage of rain or a backward season to extreme distress. On an area of 107,000 square miles, 50,000,000 struggle for al living. The problem is a tremendously difficult one, yet public opinion, appalled by the regular recurrence of India's famine, is coming more and more to look to the suzerain power in India as charged with the moral duty of supplying a solution.

A BIG NAVAL PROGRAM.

Boston Transcript.
When the United States has 100 battleships, so divided between the two oceans that it can meet and overcome any one Oriental power in the Pacific and any one European power in the Atlantic, Representative Hobson will experience the happiness of contentment, but not before. Meanwhile Mr. Hobson is assuring everybody that at this session four battleships will be authorized, instead of two recommended by the committee on naval affairs. The natural assumption is that if Mr. Hobson has any grounds for his confidence it is based on some arrangement made or making for a coalition between the Republicans who favor a big naval program and the Democrats. Coalitions of this nature have been known heretofore. In 1905, when there was a Republican revolt against authorizing two battleships, nearly 50 Democrats deserted their party and voted with the administration Republicans in defeating the amendment limiting the program to one.

A TEMPORARY REFORM.

New York Tribune.
The friction now observable in the house of representatives has had one good effect. We notice that when Mr. Sterling, of Illinois, in charge of the railroad bill, asked unanimous consent on Monday that members have leave for three days to print speeches on that measure Mr. Williams objected and cut off the flow of posthumous orations. Some day, we hope, the Congressional Record will print only speeches actually delivered, and thus become a genuine transcript of what Congress says and does.

Boston Herald.
They might have made the army appropriation bill provide for a round \$100,000,000 while they were about it, considering that it comes so close to this figure. It would then be easier to remember the exact proportions of the biggest thing of the kind ever provided by Congress in time of peace.

JUST FOR FUN.

No Doubt of It.
Her Husband—If a man steals, no matter what it is, he will live to regret it.
His Wife—During our courtship you used to steal kisses from me.
Her Husband—Well, you heard what I said.—Chicago News.

Lord Nelson Safely Caged.

A London guide was showing an American tourist the famous tombs at St. Paul's. "This, sir," said he, "is the tomb of the greatest naval hero the world ever saw—Lord Nelson. This marble sarcophagus weighs 42 tons. Hinside that is steel receptacle that weighs 12 tons, an' hinside that is a lead casket weighing two tons. Hinside that is the mahogany coffin that 'old the ashes of the great hero.'"
"Well," said the tourist, after a moment's deep thought, "I guess you've got him. If he ever gets out of that, telegraph me at my expense."—Lippincott's.

"Now that we are married every present I buy you shall be something for the house."
"Oh, you dear! I saw a beautiful reception gown today."—Houston Post.

"What is loaf sugar?" asked Mrs. Justice.
"Why, it's sugar in the form of loaves, I suppose," answered her spouse.
"Why?"
"I was wondering," said Mrs. J., "if that was what they made sweetbreads of."—Cleveland Leader.

"She is going to marry a duke. You know she inherited fifty millions."
"It's tainted."
"Well, so is the duke."—Judge.

He—When did you discover first that you loved me, sweetheart?
She—When I found myself getting angry every time people called you an idiot.—Punch.

"Shall we invest in this stock or not?"
"Well, what do you know about it?"
"Know about it? Good heavens! man, by the time we find out it may go wa. up."—Life.

"Well, I d' know," doubtfully said Farmer Hornbeak, relative to the proposal of his nephew, a recent graduate from an agricultural college. "Mebbe dere's money in cultivatin' mushrooms, but where could we plant 'em? They require a damp, dark, dank place to grow in, don't they?"
"Yes," was the reply. "And I'll tell you what, Uncle Ezra, we'll raise them in the parlor."—Puck.

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