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WHERE THE BLAME RESTS.

Governor-elect Spry calls attention to the fact that if the constitutional amendments are defeated by the vote of Salt Lake City, there will be considerable bad feeling toward the Capital, in the country where the people have made up their minds that they want money for high schools. It is perhaps, therefore, well to remember that, if the amendments are defeated here, that is due entirely to the self-appointed leaders of the "American" party. Owing to their intemperance and narrow-minded agitation, the paramount issue in the past election grew to such immense proportions as to overshadow all others, and the constitutional amendments were almost lost sight of by the majority of the voters. Few took time to consider the amendments carefully. It was all a question of saving the County from the designs of bigoted party leaders. Indirectly they are to blame for the apparent indifference to the reforms contemplated in the amendments.

But, directly, too, they must bear the responsibility. The party organ of Oct. 28 issued an imperial edict to its followers to "Vote Down the Amendments." "All of these proposed amendments," the paper said, "are inconsistent, ill-considered, inharmonious; and all should be defeated." And thus the law was laid down.

The necessity of removing from the field of legitimate political competition a band of conspirators whose only aim is the furtherance of their own selfish interests is apparent. That element exerts a detrimental influence that is not confined to the center of disturbance but is felt far and wide.

TOMAS ESTRADA PALMA.

With the death of Tomas Estrada Palma, the first president of the Cuban republic, a world figure passes out of mortal view. He has been called the Washington of Cuba, for no man did more for the liberation of the island than he did. But there the comparison ends, for Palma was not as great a president as a liberator. He had a greater endowment of patriotism than statesmanship.

Palma first became noted in the field where he fought for the liberation of his country. Then he became an exile and a fugitive. But even in exile he labored for the cause. He was the head of the Cuban junta in New York, and when, finally, the island, through the generosity of the United States, became free, he was elected president and the choice was heartily approved in this country. Later he had to face a rebellion and then, suddenly, he resigned. The act appeared, and was popularly accepted, as that of an incompetent, if not a coward.

It is evident, however, that Palma's resignation was one of the grandest acts of self-abnegation. He might have fought the insurgents, regardless of the cost to the country. He preferred to turn the government over to the United States and to retire, and it seems to us that he is entitled to credit for saving the island from further bloodshed even at the cost of his position. His long career ended in a glorious act, and whatever Cuba's destiny may be, its people will owe a cherished remembrance to the patriots among whom Palma was a striking, picturesque figure.

MUTUAL REGRETS.

For a time there seemed to be a great deal of anxiety in Europe lest the trouble that existed between France and Germany over a recent incident in Morocco, should become serious. Lately, however, it has been apparent that there was no danger of war. It has even been hinted that the storm was artificially started for the purpose of directing the attention away from conditions existing in Germany.

What caused the diplomatic dispute? Some German subjects, it seems, enlisted in the French army at Casablanca; they deserted and were then recaptured while an agent of the German consul was trying to smuggle them aboard a German steamer in Casablanca harbor. In seizing the deserters, the French did some violence to the German consul's agent. The quarrel developed, when the German government demanded some expression of regret or apology, because of the violence used against the German consul's agent, and the law involved in the actions of the French officers. The attitude of the French government was that it would not express regret, before the proposed arbitrators and settled the question of fact and the question of law. The French government would seek to prove that the men had been obligated to desert by the German consul and that he and his agent were well aware of the fact that the men were deserters from the French army when the attempt to place them aboard the German steamer was made.

The trouble was settled by an agreement that "mutual regrets" were to be expressed. The "honors" of both countries was saved by this simple means. And the question naturally arises, what is the use of armies and

navies when "mutual regrets" can avert a war between two great nations?

IS IT GOOD POLICY?

The proposition to add a cent to the street car fare of the mail carriers in this city is one that the Company might do well to reconsider. Of course, the government can afford to pay, but the "government," in this case, means the general public. Whatever the government pays comes out of the pockets of the people upon which the big corporations depend for valuable franchises as well as for patronage, and the policy of extracting from the public every cent that can possibly be discovered under the rules, after valuable franchises have been granted, may not be conducive to the cordial relations that should exist.

Mail facilities mean so much to a city. It means so much to the business of the community. If the Department refuses to make the extra allowance, it simply means that the mail carriers will not be able to deliver the mail promptly, and the public will suffer the consequences. Somehow, it is always the people that draw the shorter straw. The contemplated addition to the fare may not amount to much, but if it indicates a disposition to disregard the City's interests, it is important enough.

Postmaster Thomas says that in nearly every state it is customary for street railway companies to add the public in receiving the mail, by granting liberal rates to mail carriers, and it is evident that if this is good policy in other cities it cannot be bad policy here. Salt Lake City extends over a very large area, and some of the outlying blocks are rather sparsely settled. It takes time to walk the long distances, and unless extra facilities are provided for the mail delivery will be affected. Is that good policy? Is it not rather true that with the growth of the City, which the mail service materially aids, will come an increased growth of business to the transportation companies?

PLEASED WITH RESULTS.

According to reports, prohibition has not hurt Oklahoma City. The population of the city has increased, it is thought, in one year, from 40,000 to 50,000. And this year, with no saloons, the city pays its mayor and councilmen good salaries; it has made extensive improvements, and has a good surplus on hand. The report goes on to say that four large eight or ten-room school houses are to be built. Fifteen miles of streets are being paved, which is one-third as much as that already laid. Building permits for the first half of August amount to \$45,000 and in July, \$108,000. Half a million dollars are to be spent in improvements in the near future. Real estate men say the demand for homes is increasing beyond their ability to meet, and large numbers of residences are being erected. The bank clearings for the month ending August 15, were \$4,368,996, exceeding those for the same month last year by nearly half a million. Rents and real estate prices are all higher than last year. Both business and residence buildings of pretentious size and in large numbers are being erected as fast as materials and men can be secured to do so. Every room and building formerly occupied by a saloon has been filled by a legitimate business.

As a result of the practical workings of prohibition, many prominent business men who opposed and voted against prohibition from what they considered business reasons, now admit, it is said, that they were mistaken. Prohibition is a great success in the reduction of crime, the promotion of peace, and the settlement of old debts, as well as the vast increase of all lines of legitimate business.

EMPLOYMENT.

The American Industries, the official organ of the National Association of Manufacturers, is authority for the statement that the manufacturers of the country will add 650,000 men to the working forces of the various establishments, within the next few weeks.

The magazine made an effort to secure definite and systematic information on present trade conditions and the possibilities of the immediate future. It sent telegrams, prior to the election, to the association's members asking them to state specifically how many working men would be added to their present force by Dec. 1. The percentage of replies received indicates that an average of 135 men each will be added to the majority of manufacturing plants in the association by Dec. 1. The percentages show that at least one-half of the 3,000 members of the National Association of Manufacturers expect to add to their present force more than 200,000 workmen. Taking this as a basis, the magazine says, it is safe to assume that the 13,000 manufacturers who, according to the census of 1900, employed an average each of 100 men or more, will add at least 50 per cent to their present force, making a total in round figures of 650,000 men. In other words, with the continuance of business conditions, the important manufacturing interests of the country will be enabled to increase their present forces by more than 500,000 workmen to meet the market demands for their products.

It remains to be seen whether this calculation is correct, or not. The probability is that the recovery from the condition in which the panic left the country will be gradual. But it is no less sure.

Copper kings are very apt to have a broken face.

If you taxicab why shouldn't you tax an automobile?

No man ever loved maid more than a boy loves a dog.

To increase the saloon license is a step in the right direction.

The season of the landslide having

passed that of the snowslide comes on apace.

In the reformed spelling it appears as frazil.

Does anybody remember just what the paramount issue was?

Good weather and good times are not always synonymous terms.

There is no hotter sign of prosperity than plenty of pumpkin pie.

The man who forgets himself is always remembered by his friends.

In the hunt for big game will the African jungles be "beaten to a frazzle?"

Judge Taft is playing golf to keep in shape. Golf or no golf, he is always in great shape.

Why cannot the beaux as well as the belles of society be taught to do "fancy work?"

Taft's handsome majority in Utah is owing to the fact that the ladies voted for him.

The N. Y. Post prefers Socialism to Tammany. The Post always prefers anything to what is.

One week after the election the platform have become "over matter," and are treated accordingly.

If here deferred maketh the heart sick, the Duke of the Abruzzi must come very near being the sick man of Europe.

Even if he didn't sign his articles in the Outlook, people probably would have no trouble in telling which were Mr. Roosevelt's.

The football boys have painted the town red long before the game. Perhaps this is wise, for it may be their only chance to do it.

The French foreign office regards the Casablanca incident as closed. Now will the powers appoint some one to sit on the lid and keep it down?

When the coal barons raise the price of coal and say that the teamsters get the increased amount, when they don't, it isn't graft. It is—well, what is it?

Mr. Gompers says that he considers it an honor not to have been invited to the White House labor leaders' dinner by President Roosevelt. This makes it plain that his point of view and the President's are entirely different.

"Why shouldn't I fix the price of coal?" asks President Baer of the Reading. And why shouldn't he fix the flowing and ebbing of the tides and the course of the stars?

With no purpose to kick or quibble, Judge Taft is not President-elect and will not be until the electoral college shall have voted, and the electors cast their votes for him. But still the Judge is not worrying, being content for the present to be President-prospective.

The woman who tried to blackmail Mrs. Phipps and who she failed tried to kill the detectives with dynamite, says she was under the influence of a hypnotist. Now she is under the influence of the Denver police, which is much better all around.

Mr. Bryan, it seems, cannot expect to be sent to the Senate this time. The legislature of Nebraska is Democratic, but Senator Burkett's term will not expire until an entirely new legislature is elected. In 1910, and nobody can tell what complexion a new legislature will have. Eight years ago, after Mr. Bryan's second defeat, he would have been sent at once to the Senate from Nebraska had the legislature not been captured unexpectedly by the Republicans.

INDIAN AND THE "MOHAWK."

The popular Harvard-Carlisle game is an index of the new status of the Indian. The old association of his name with Miles Standish or the "broken twig" series of Cooper is gone. The pages of Parkman's almost unimpeachable as interpreted by the Indian on the Harvard Stadium today. To our forefathers the mere participation of the Indian in any sport was a disgrace, and he stamped it as barbarous; to their descendants it suggests only an astonishing equality of civilization. It is certain that for any "no good Indian except a dead Indian" to open rivalry in sport. Even in the Puritan Indian, however, there was a certain fascination which constituted a strong appeal to the imagination. It is a compliment to the Indian that kindred souls in the heart of civilization have been found in the Indian names. Let a party of civilized demons capture the most ingenious wickedness possible to educated brains and they adopt the name of Mohawk or Apache, and feed under the shelter of a title dignified by poetic justice.

CONSUMPTION AND TELEPHONE

British Medical Journal.
The panic recently created on the subject of the assumed danger lurking in the transmitter of the telephone is not precisely new. It is but the development of a fear which has caused mischief for some years. On the supposition that various germs of disease probably collect in the receiver and transmitter of the instrument, at any rate in public telephone stations, some medical alarmists have thrown out suggestions that antiseptics, both in a dry state and in solution, should be applied for the safety of the telephone user. The recent dictum goes one step further, inasmuch as it is now an established fact that tubercle bacilli, the casual micro-organisms of consumption, have been found alive and in robust condition in the instrument. It is quite natural, in view of such a find, that a feeling of alarm might seize hold of the more nervous.

JUST FOR FUN.

Kicker—"Bulgaria has declared itself independent of Turkey. Henpecked—I know just how it feels."

"Time is money," declared the Wise Guy. "Perhaps," said the Simple Mug, "but it's a mighty poor substitute for a bank account."—Philadelphia Record.

The One—"But if you have the money, why don't you pay your debts?" The Other—"Because if I did that, I wouldn't have the money."—Chicago Daily News.

"Is genius really the capacity for

taking pains?" "Now," answered the poet, "Genius is the capacity for going without eating."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Little British girl to naughty brother—"You'll catch it, you duffer boy!" He—"That's all you know, Miss. I'm out with the Suffragists, and Pa's hiding in the House of Commons."—Punch.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

"Taft at Yale" is the leading article in the Outlook Magazine for November. Mr. Ralph D. Paine writes it, and being a Yale man himself, he has here given us a most interesting picture of the career of the present presidential candidate. Other articles in the November Outlook are most readable and interesting. Oliver Kemp, the well-known travel artist, contributes a drawing, entitled "Up and Down Paradise Valley." Ralph D. Paine contributes a true narrative entitled "The Last Pirates of the Spanish Main." "Basketry in Mexico" is an attractive illustrated description of a leading industry in the republic to the south of us. "An Oregon Farm" is a valuable social study of the great state of the northwest, well illustrated with photographs. "A Camp in Deepest Arcady" is chapter VII in "The Tent Dwellers," by Albert Bigelow Paine, brimming over with humor and proving throughout that this series is the best story of outdoor life published in years. In the issue is much good fiction and several full-page illustrations by good artists of the typical Outlook kind.—Editorial Press Clipping Bureau, 112 Dearborn St., Chicago.

An unusual number of short stories are printed in the Outlook Magazine for November. Conspicuous among them is one entitled "An Anarchist of the Big Timber" by Henry Oyster—a story that relates the long fight of a backwoodsman, who believed he was being outraged in his rights, against a lumber corporation in Chicago. Another story with a decidedly humorous vein is that by Porter Emerson Browne, entitled "From Thom That Have Went." This tells how "Corigan" put his faith in mediums and of what befell.

In an article entitled "Twenty Thousand Miles With Bernhard," Mr. Henry E. Warner, who was the great actress' general press manager in her heyday, tells us, in a vivid review of the inside history of Bernhard's successful fight against the theatrical "trust." Many new anecdotes are here published, and all told, it is a vivid review of that strange and successful tour of this continent when Madame Bernhard acted in barns, tents and ramshouses.—The Chicago Press Clipping Bureau, 31 South Clark Street, Chicago.

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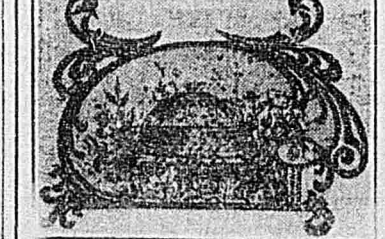
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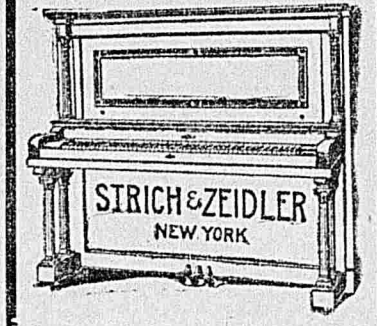
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