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#### COURTESY IN POLITICS.

Election day is only three months distant and there are many signs in the air which indicate that the campaign will be conducted on a more sane and reasonable basis than has been the custom of late years. Sincerely it is to be hoped that this may be the case; and this brings up the question why, if courtesy and sane methods can be made to prevail in national elections, should they not also govern in city, county and state elections? Decent people of all parties throughout the nation, we believe, have been gratified to note the amenities on the part of the leaders of the great national parties which have marked the past few weeks. Chairman Hitchcock calls on Chairman Mack at the Democratic Headquarters in Chicago. Chairman Mack returns the visit on Chairman Hitchcock in New York. In Cincinnati Democrats unite with Republicans in observing notification day to Mr. Taft. In Lincoln, party lines are to be thrown aside and Republicans will join with Democrats in celebrating the honor conferred on their state when Mr. Bryan is notified of his nomination. The same rule prevailed as to the Vice Presidential nominees, Messrs. Sherman and Kern, in their home cities. Vice President Fairbanks taking the lead in honoring Mr. Kern.

Surely all this is an example which says to Utah citizens, keep cool, retain your senses and if you must disagree with your brother on politics, do not let your disagreements extend beyond; and always remember that every man is entitled to his own opinion just as you are to yours.

#### INDIAN WAR VETERANS.

A story of Utah life almost unused is that of the conflict of the white settler with his Indian neighbor, with Blackhawk and with Wahkwa, and the tribes that came south from Idaho, and west from Colorado.

The men who stood guard in Utah county, and joined the night riding "minute men" when there were signals of alarm from the scouts on the crags above Hobbie creek, each played a part in nation-making that deserves its recognition.

The men who performed the work, are still with us in scattered battalions and depleted companies, and they still love the songs of their old time camp fires and can tell a tale or two of adventure in the fields where now only the commonplace and routine of civilized life is carried on.

At Spanish Fork tonight the campfires of the veterans will be lit. The old songs will be echoing on the mountains, and Blackhawk tales will be told again from veteran to veteran campfire.

Utah has yet to do those things which will deal justly by the memory of the men who carried arms that fields might be tilled, but all can be reminded of the thing that some day is to be done, by the Utah county veterans who assemble today, and this evening at Spanish Fork. The memories of Zion's Camp and of the pioneers of 1847, are now almost wholly in the keeping of younger generations, and the Indian war veterans are now the principal body of men who can assemble to represent the work that was done to subdue the valley of Utah, and bring to them peace and law.

#### A TOUCH OF AUTUMN.

Thunder storms, like thunder showers, we have with us always, and last night what started out to be a shower ended as a storm with a play of lightning that for vividness and nearness of flash has seldom been equaled as a spectacle in Salt Lake.

And as the noisy clouds rolled eastward from the lake, there was just a touch of autumn in the cooler trailing breezes. People who had watched the lightning play from front porches sought the rooms inside, and perhaps a head of the house or two began to wonder whether the parlor stove or the living room grate was in good condition for a fire. Of course, not for immediate kindling, but for that inevitable future whose first advance notice rolled in with the thunder.

Storms such as last night's were once not so much the fashion here. People hardly realize it, but this summer the hills have seldom had an opportunity to array themselves in the brown shimmer of over-heating, and this morning, with autumn almost upon us, they are as green and verdant as upon the first breaking forth of spring. Speaking of boosting, what better thing could the people wish than the Salt Lake climate to sing the praises of?

#### PEACH DAY.

For Brigham City September 18 should be a day in which all the state will join in the merry making. It pays each section to know what the other sections have in spirit, enterprise, resources, and established industries.

The people of Salt Lake who ate strawberries with Provo, will have just as good a time eating peaches with Brigham City. From both festivals the state will be as much benefited as will be the towns giving them.

When Utah was younger and its people were more anxious to see

wherein its resources lay, Brigham City came forward as the first fruit belt. Its prestige in this particular it has kept steadily through several decades, and only recently has serious competition begun to develop.

With Emery and Carbon and Garfield, Weber, Davis and Utah counties showing that they are each ambitious to develop as a fruit raising center, Brigham City has her laurels to look to.

With all the new canals coming out of the various rivers and all the miles of peach orchards being set out, we wonder where the center of the industry will be, come another ten years.

In the meantime we can enjoy the day with Brigham City, and be glad that the fruit grows juicy there and that the transportation facilities are so good to the larger city to the south, where fruit is known only as it comes in the boxes fronting the grocery store windows. Peach day, 1908, deserves to assume the proportions of a state festival.

#### THE DROWNING SEASON.

This is the season of the year when reports of deaths from drowning are in every paper and scores of swimming holes levy toll upon humanity. Already this summer several venturesome swimmers have lost their lives in this county, while a number of narrow escapes are recorded.

The art of swimming is so exceedingly useful not only as a healthful summer pastime, but as a means of saving life, that it should be acquired by every young person. Boys will be boys, and so long as there is a Jordan river will the young generation respond to the call of the water on a warm day. There is no reason why the lads should not learn to swim, for swimming tanks and aquatic instructors are among the features of Salt Lake's gymnasiums and resorts. If these are not available, an acquaintance who can swim will give his aid until the elementary movements and necessary confidence are won. Even without assistance, by keeping in safe water, and by determined perseverance, the art will be acquired as by instinct.

The trouble with the American boy, however, is that as soon as he can swim a few strokes he wants to get into deep water. Once there, perhaps, he begins to lose confidence and if there is not a helping hand near, the oft-told summer tragedy is the sequel. If boys would remember always to go in swimming above the rifles so that the stream would carry them into shallow water, the danger to a great extent would be obviated. Then, too, if the more experienced lad always recollected that a drowning person invariably clutches at his would-be rescuer, and bearing this in mind, approached a swimmer in difficulties from behind and caught him by the hair or under the arm pits, there would be less frequent drownings to chronicle.

Teach your boy, and girl, for that matter, to swim by all means, for it cultivates self confidence if nothing else. Under proper supervision there is no more healthful nor useful pastime.

#### WHITE RACE LOSING GROUND.

That the white race is steadily losing ground and the colored is as steadily gaining it, is the contention of a writer in the Fall Mail Gazette. He fortifies his assertion with some statistics which show that of the leading white races today Great Britain's birth rate has fallen within the past 15 years from over 30 to 27 per 1,000, and her colonies show an even greater loss. Germany's vital statistics within the past four years have declined from 35.7 to 34.1. He goes on to state that in the United States the decrease is so marked as to point to the conclusion that foreign immigration is entirely responsible for the increase shown.

On the other hand the colored peoples headed by the two great and civilized branches of the yellow race are increasing. The writer marks the remarkable upward rush of Japan's population in the last twenty-seven years, and says:

"Within that period in spite of a great advance in civilization, her birth-rate has shown the extraordinary rise of from 17 to 31 per 1,000. Looking at China, we find her teeming millions, which have for a long time been overflowing her limits, have only been restrained from pouring forth in an inundating flood by reason of the general practice of infanticide. But reform movements are already being made to put an end to this, which, if effective, will be certain to result in a vast overflow into the outside world. Simultaneously, the growing swarms of India are adding their weight to the ever-increasing pressure, while the black masses of Africa are multiplying as never before in times of continual internecine warfare, and throughout the Dark Continent there is emerging a problem full of future menace to the predominant but dwindling races of over-civilized white people, who have maintained their position hitherto by a monopoly of metal and material advantages which is fast leaving them."

Just how to account for this startling state of affairs the writer is apparently at a loss, but hazards a guess that the phenomenon may mean that racial death is the inevitable effort of civilizing effort, and he might have added, the shirking of the duties of life by both sexes in their mad rush in the social and financial whirl.

Genuine puppy love is for milk and dabbles.

A friend in need is generally a friend in absence.

Plumbers realize mere pipe dreams than other people do.

Hard work on campaign speeches is generally less labor lost.

Of the weather's backbone it may be said, "bent but not broken."

Usually it is those with fewest brains that eat most brain food.

Hunters who roam the hills for game

and fail to find it might try shooting the chutes.

Man bows to the inevitable simply because he has to knuckle under.

Thaw's trials have cost half a million dollars. And there are other trials in store for him.

The warrant of arrest is the only warrant for exceeding the speed limit by automobiles.

Tomorrow Mr. Bryan will be notified of his nomination. It is safe to say that he will accept.

A funny thing is the political sky. When it is clear for one party it is always lowering for the other.

It used to be said that liquor kills more men than wars. Substitute automobiles for liquor and the saying remains largely true.

As surely as the coming of straw hats marks the advent of summer so does the marking of them down herald its approaching departure.

Mr. Chaffin, Prohibitionist candidate for President, was very nearly drowned at Lincoln, Neb. He came near being hoist by his own petard, so to say.

The absence of Macaulay's New Zealand was noted among those who welcomed Admiral Sperry and the officers of the American fleet, to Auckland.

Holland must be getting ready to try conclusions with Venezuela, for she is exchanging views with the Washington government. What a salutary influence the Monroe doctrine is.

Congratulations to the ladies of the Pseudo-American party on the result of their "magnificent effort" to defeat Senator Hopkins. Their success has been so great that they should enter other states on the same issue.

"If servants worked half as hard as wives and got the same wages there would be lots more trouble than there is," says the Bachelor. Leaving aside the question of wages there would be about three times the amount of work done than there is.

#### NO NEED FOR WORLD LANGUAGE.

Prof. Emil Reink. Nobody nowadays dreams of denying that a man who desires to make his mark in the world must be master of at least one or two or three languages in addition to his own. Even in America, where over a vast area, nearly as large as that of Europe, there is practically but one language in use, even there it pays unusually well to know German or French in addition to "United States." In Great Britain it is fast becoming indispensable. The dream that all Europe, let alone all humanity, will accept the same language, preferably English, is and will remain a dream. In fact, it ought never to have been seriously considered. If all Europe had one and the same language, then all European intellect would at once be half extinguished.

#### A FRENCH CRITIC OF AMERICAN BEAUTY.

New York World. It will be a shock to Americans of Puritan ancestry to hear the verdict of the much-traveled Hugues Le Roux that the beauty of American women is not found in those of Puritan blood. Le Roux studied American women at first hand, and the published result of his study is a book, "L'Amour aux Etats-Unis," published in Paris. In a chapter devoted to American beauty the author asserts that not in New England is it to be found, but in the Mississippi valley. The great beauties, he says, are descendants of early French settlers blended with Irish blood and having an appreciable percentage of Spanish. He finds them true to type, the finest and most typical specimens of American beauty being Celtic or Latin in face and figure. Women of Puritan ancestry he finds to be angular, staid, and most typical of the last do not realize how much French blood there is in the people of those middle states. Yet the very names on the map—Illinois, Terre Haute, Detroit, St. Louis, Duquesne, Prairie du Chien, Duluth, Baton Rouge—tell the story. Le Roux was delighted when throughout the Mississippi valley he met women whose rare beauty he could identify as Breton, Gascon, Auvergnais, Tourangeois or Limousin, modified by being blended with that of slave Kibbeny and enhanced by transplantation to the windswept prairies.

#### TOLSTOI'S PRESCRIPTION.

Glasgow Herald. It is not necessary to commit oneself to approval of the Russian system of government and the extreme methods of the bureaucracy to perceive that Tolstoy's proposal to leave things to settle themselves, by the abolition of all restraints and the reduction of society to the terms of the simplest elements would not inaugurate the golden age and the reign of love. It is effort wasted and unnecessary pain incurred to kick against the pricks of this hard world, and what the license of these pricks—which may be at once the spur to noble ambition and the weapon on which idealism impales itself—is the knowledge that men are the better for being governed. The problem for Russia today is not how to dispense with government, but how to bring an antiquated and oppressive system into harmony with the reasonable liberties of a people one part of which is intellectually as advanced as any in Europe, while the other and greater part is still struggling among the mists and mormors of mediocrity. It is a truly tragic problem.

#### JUST FOR FUN.

Selling His Secrets. "I think," said the struggling writer, "that the publishers might well take a hint from the politicians."

"Publicity for all contributions. How that would help!"—Exchange.

Force of Habit. "The day, sir," said the barber.

No reply. "Looks a little like snow," he said, as he stropped the razor.

Silence. "Got a fancy face?" he went on, as he made a sweep with the razor. "Don't shave close, do you?"

Profound silence. "Never like to draw blood from a man, look bad." That's a note on your chin, isn't it?

No reply. "What'll you have on your face?"

witchhazel or violet? Which? Which? All right! Always use that myself."

They silence. "A little powder? It takes the shine off. There you are, sir. Pay cashier."

And then the knight of the blade stared around in amazement. He had been shaving himself.—Ex.

Right in a Sense. "That waiter's an idiot."

"What's the matter now?" "I asked him to bring me a water cracker."

"Well?" "And here he brings me an ice pick!"—Cleveland Leader.

Breaking the Lease. "I fell out of the window of my flat yesterday."

"And you are on the fourth floor. That was terrible."

"Yes! I don't know how to face the janitor. I'm sure I've violated some clause of my lease."—Washington Herald.

"They have come to wreck, it seems, on life's matrimonial sea."

"Indeed? And which rocked the boat?"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

"Do you think a man ought to be greater than his party?"

"Well," answered Senator Sorghum, "it isn't desirable. But sometimes you can't put away a man's party from shrinking."—Washington Star.

"Yes," remarked Farmer Hodge, "my boy did get a good deal of fun out of motor cars."

"But he doesn't own a machine."

"Of course not. He's one of the constables."—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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