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VOTE TOMORROW!

It appears very sure now that the
bond election will be largely in the
affirmative; that is if the voters will
only do their duty tomorrow. As the
plans formed to secure an ample supply
of pure water for the city become
plain to the public mind the objections
urged against them fade away. Foes
become friends when they get at the
bottom facts and learn that the opposition
is based chiefly on fallacies. There
are, no doubt, some matters connected
with the details of the project that need
overhauling and perhaps some changes.
But these are not essential to the
determination of the question of the
issue of the bonds. That this is the
only way to make possible the
great object in view is conceded, and
therefore the property taxpayers should
all go to the polls on Tuesday, Jan. 3,
and vote "BONDS, YES." Don't fail
to cast your ballot, sunshine or shade,
fine day or wet!

PORT ARTHUR TAKEN.

At last Port Arthur is in the hands
of the Japanese. This time the report
of its surrender is something more than
rumor. The news will be received with
mixed feelings of pleasure and regret.
The great preponderance of sentiment
will be congratulatory to the victors.
At the same time there cannot but be
a feeling of admiration and sorrow for
the vanquished. While the Japs have
exhibited a valor, persistence and
devotion to their cause that demand
the highest praise, the Russian
defenders of the fortress have displayed
a heroism, endurance and bravery that
place them in the very foremost rank
of patriotism and military honor. The
defense of Port Arthur will occupy a
place in the world's history second to
none of such achievements, and the
Czar and his empire owe a debt of
gratitude to the gallant soldiers under
Gen. Stoessel, who endured so much
and fought so stubbornly to retain the
stronghold and held it to the last ex-
treme of possibility. Yet the world
will breathe more freely now that the
terrible struggle is over and that the
supposed impregnable fortress has been
captured. That it will not end the war
will be conceded by all careful readers
of the situation, but that it will form
one of the great factors in the final
settlement of the strife appears to be
beyond dispute. There will be great
rejoicings today in other places be-
sides Japan.

LIFE, A JOURNEY.

Life has been compared to a journey.
At the end of which there is a yawning
gulf. From the very first, the tra-
velers are made aware of this fact, but
there is no turning back. The journey
commenced, it must be finished. There
is no rest. Always onward! An in-
resistible force draws toward the precipice.
Innumerable adventures, trials,
sorrow, pain, disappointments are en-
countered on the road, but nothing
stays the onward progress toward the
abyss. Day after day, year after year
rolls by. It is impossible to arrest
their flight, even for a second. Some-
times one forgets the end of the jour-
ney because of the pleasing objects one
passes on the road. One picks the
fragrant flowers by the roadside, and
rejoices in the rippling waters that
play in the sunshine, as they are dan-
cing past, but the journey is, never-
theless, onward toward the precipice. Al-
ways onward!
Already the speed is accelerated. The
years roll by quicker. The object that
is pained are commencing to become
less distinct. Their colors are less
bright than they used to be. The
flowers are less fragrant. The birds
are more monotonous, the water less
clear and sparkling. The shadow of
death is commencing to fall. One feels
the approach of the gulf, over which the
chilling shadow rests. A few more
paces! Then the last! And the traveler
has passed away into the silence be-
yond.
It should be added that there is one
bridge across the gulf, and one road to
this bridge. There is only one road.
It is narrow, and rocky. The walking
is more pleasant on the sides, and that
is the reason why the multitudes
abandon the road. It is also uphill,
while the surroundings glow gently and
make the descent to Avernus easy. But
those who will follow that road to the
end, will find a bridge across the deep.

upon which they can safely pass to a
world more beautiful than this. But
there is only one road, one bridge.

The Mohammedans have been taught
that finally all souls must pass a bridge
as narrow as a hair, and that only
those who are able to keep their bal-
ance on that bridge are worthy of
eternal glory. There is truth in this
allegory. Only by faithfully walking
the straight and narrow path can we
gain exaltation in the hereafter.

DR. ABBOTT'S GOD.

Dr. Lyman Abbott has, at last, come
out with a statement of his conception
of the Deity, which should give ortho-
dox theologians food for thought. He
is quoted as follows:

"I wonder if you students in Harvard
will understand me when I say that I
no longer believe in a Great First
Cause. My God is a great and ever-
present force which is manifest in all
the activities of man and all the work-
ings of Nature. I believe in a God who
is in and through and of everything—
not an absent God, whom we have to
read through a Bible, or a priest or
some other outside aid, but a God who
is close to us. Science, literature and
history tell us that there is one eternal
energy, that the Bible no longer
can be accepted as ultimate, that many
of its laws were copied from other reli-
gions, that the Ten Commandments did
not spring spontaneously from Mo-
ses, but were, like all laws, a gradual
growth, and that man is a creature, not
a creation. No thinking man will say
there are many energies. The days of
polytheism are past. There is only one
energy. That energy has always been
working. It is an intelligent energy.
No scientist can deny it. It was work-
ing before Christ's time, even as it is
now. Yet God has a personality. We
recognize it as we recognize the
personality of a Titan or an Angel.
Only God is always working, always
creating, whereas their work is done.
God stands near us. The mother of a
deaf, dumb and blind child gives her
daughter one, two, three gifts with
which she recognizes. Finally these break
through the child's intelligence the fact
that these gifts, so kind, so loving,
spring from the same source. It throws
its arms around her neck and kisses
her. Even so we, ever in the presence
of God, come to realize his proximity
and love. God makes for good. Man's
progress is a progress upward. Each day
is better than the first."
Someone has, hastily, characterized
this statement as "a new religion." But
there is nothing new in this. Pan-
theism is not new. It is really the lo-
gical escape of the refined intellect
from the polytheism of paganism. It
presents a theological platform upon
which both Jewish and Gentile philo-
sophers have met. God, as an ever
active energy, manifest in every part
and particle of nature, has been pre-
claimed by some philosophers for hun-
dreds of years.

Is it not strange, though, that a the-
ologian, when dissatisfied with the or-
thodox conception of the Deity, turns
to pantheism instead of the Scriptural
representation of God? Is there any
conception on the subject which is wor-
thy of consideration, except that which
is revealed through God's inspired ser-
vants? A man low in the intellectual
scale, carves an image and gives it cer-
tain features, and calls it god. And
other, a little higher up in the scale,
makes a different image, more beau-
tiful, but still an image. Another, still
higher up intellectually, discards all
visible images and pictures to himself
a god that is all "energy." The
ignorant pagan confines his god to a
few objects of nature or art, and wor-
ships before them. The pantheist sees
god in every object and manifestation of
"energy." Why is the last conception so
much better than its predecessor, since
they all are of the same human origin?
Is it possible to know God except by
revelation from Himself?

We do not wonder that thinking men
and women turn from the orthodox
teachings concerning the Godhead,
which are clearly made up of the ideas
of Pagan philosophers, but we hold that
there is no reliable source of informa-
tion concerning God except the revela-
tions given from time to time, during
the different dispensations of human
history. If we are not to believe in the
God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,
Moses, and the prophets; the God re-
vealed in and by Jesus Christ, and the
God revealed in this last dispensation,
which various revelations all agree as
so many genuine photographs, with
their original, then there is, it seems
to us, no escape from absolute atheism.
For man-made images of God, whether
formed out of wood, stone, or metal,
or put together out of abstract ideas in
the workshop of philosophy, are all
worthless. They may show more or
less ingenuity of workmanship, but that
is not enough for a basis of that faith
without which there can be no eternal
exaltation.

Happy New Year!
Be sure and write it 1905. See?
To be or not to be? Water bonds.
Happy New Year to the Czar, old
style.
Success to the new State administra-
tion.
New York now suffers from frenzied
indulgence.
Times should be better for the days
are getting longer.
Some day Kurapatkin will meet Ku-
rokai and will be his'n.
Tomorrow's popularity can never be
spoiled by a presidential bee.
After the officers have fled their
bonds they will just saw wood.
There is a perfect reign of terror in
Tangier. The Moor the merrier.
Dr. Chadwick came over and was im-
mediately overcome by what he heard.
The Colorado situation improves.
Certainly there was room for improve-
ment.
It is quite as easy to tell where the
snows of last year are as where those
of this year are.
The clean-shave rule of the French
foreign office shows that there are no
Populists there.
Corbett says that he yearns for an-

other fight. Wants to yearn some
money, no doubt.

"There are two sides to the Monroe
doctrine," says an exchange. True,
the transatlantic and the cisatlantic.

John D. Rockefeller just made the
money fly Christmas. He distributed
gold eagles among the men employed on
his estate.

Yesterday was the great day for mak-
ing resolutions. It still remains true
that men resolve and re-resolve, then
die the same.

Mrs. Chadwick has been measured
according to the Bertillon system. Had
she been weighed she surely would have
been found wanting.

The handwriting experts appear to be
the supreme judges in the Denver elec-
tion case and not the judges of the
Colorado supreme court.

The New York World gives, editorial-
ly, a list of casualties that happened on
Christmas. It reads precisely like a
Fourth of July celebration accident list.

Dr. David Starr Jordan of Stanford
University says that the Emperor of
Japan is crazy. If that is so in his war
with Russia there is method in his
madness.

It would be money in Uncle Sam's
pocket to coin the standard silver dol-
lars into subsidiary coins. The seignior-
age on something over five hundred mil-
lion dollars would be something im-
mense.

The Russian press is discussing the re-
ported Anglo-American alliance, a
thing that doesn't exist. The Russian
press, like Rostovsky's fleet in the
North sea, seems to be suffering from
a bad case of hysteria.

Charles F. Dodge, a free man, but
carefully guarded by nine officers; Dr.
Chadwick not arrested but the guest
of the sheriff at Cleveland, is not jus-
tice tempered with mercy but justice
tempered with mockery.

William W. Rockhill, chosen to suc-
ceed Mr. Conger as minister to China,
is noted as an orientalist. He has ex-
plored the greater portion of China and
Tibet, and speaks and writes in Chi-
nese, Tibetan and Sanskrit as readily
as in English. His fitness for the po-
sition he has been called upon to fill
was demonstrated when he was Ameri-
can commissioner to China while Mr.
Conger was in this country recuperating
from the effects of the siege by
Boxers in 1900. He has edited works
for the Hakluyt Society, another guar-
antee of fitness.

According to a news item sent from
New York, one of the largest photogra-
phic lenses in existence is that pur-
chased recently for the Cape Astron-
omical Observatory in South Africa. The
"lens," " Cooke," lenses are well
known in America for ordinary photo-
graphic purposes, but this giant has an
aperture of about ten inches in diam-
eter. The total weight of the lens with
its mounting and supports is over six
thousand pounds, one hundred pounds
being the weight of the glasses. This
large "Cooke" lens forms microscopi-
cally sharp images of the stars
throughout a negative fifteen inches
square, the exposure being about two
hours for each plate.

THE MONROE DOCTRINE

San Francisco Call.
The time is rapidly drawing near
when a better understanding of the in-
tents and purposes of the Monroe doc-
trine on the part of the belligerent
South American republics must be in-
cubated. First and above all else they
must disabuse their minds of the er-
roneous impression that Uncle Sam
stands ready to resist any European
aggression upon their territories
through sheer love of their idyllic gov-
ernments. Nor must they believe that
the guns of the old world powers are
warned away out of respect for the lib-
erty that kindles its fires on the south-
ern national altars. The brand of lib-
erty that finds its general acceptance
south of the isthmus would not sell at
par in an open market. This fact and
this alone moves the United States to
uphold the integrity of the South Ameri-
can republics, that it cannot look with
favor upon the use of any part of the
American continent for the propagation
of European colonial schemes. This is
because it must protect itself as the
natural leader of affairs in the western
world.

AFTER THE TRUSTS.

Kansas City Star.
It is not surprising that one of the
first suits filed in the general move-
ment against unlawful combinations
should be against the paper trust,
which is one of the most arbitrary and
exciting of the various organizations
operated in restraint of trade and in
the suppression of competition. While
the extortions of this trust have not
affected the masses materially, they
have imposed onerous burdens on a
very large and important class. The
statement of the case by the special
attorneys appointed to conduct an in-
vestigation denotes that a very care-
ful examination has been made into
the organization and its practices.
St. Paul Globe.
The impudence required to form a
trust dealing in the raw materials that
must be used by all newspapers, sup-
posed to be the organs of public opin-
ion, was justified by the patience with
which, for many years, the imposition
was borne.

San Francisco Chronicle.
It is probable that it will be found
possible to take some action in the case
of the United States Steel corporation.
Some of its plants have terminals and
branch roads with which common car-
riers pro-rate. The Interstate Com-
merce commission holds this to be un-
lawful, as being virtually a rebate. It
cannot, however, enforce its decision.
The railroads, however, are perfectly
willing to accept it, and all but one did
so, whereupon the Steel corporation
warns them that if they do obey the
decision they will get no freight. This
is moral justification for very drastic
procedure, if legal authority can be
found for it, and if none exists, such
authority should be created, and if the
President has his way it doubtless will
be.

A NEW ALFALFA FOR THE ARID WEST

Pueblo Chieftain.
It is reported that experiments are
now in progress along the line of the
Union Pacific railway with a new kind
of alfalfa that comes from southern
Russia and is especially adapted to

arid lands. The results so far are said
to be decidedly encouraging. There is
at least good reason for hoping that
valuable discoveries may be made along
these lines. Alfalfa is a plant that
stands the drought well when it has
once secured a good start, and the main
difficulty in its cultivation lies in get-
ting the seed changed into a growing
and well rooted plant. There is good
reason to believe that a variety might
be found that possesses a greater power
of germination under the conditions of
the western arid lands, than does the
variety to which we are accustomed.
And it is possible also that similar
results might be accomplished by se-
lecting seed through a period of years.

RECENT PUBLICATIONS.

In Physical Culture for January ap-
pears the opening chapter of a series
of articles on building Vital Power, by
strengthening the vital organs. There
are other interesting articles on phys-
ical culture, including one on skating,
which is especially timely.—2 East 19th
St., New York.

The Burr McIntosh Monthly for Jan-
uary presents lifelike portraits of Max-
well Elliott, Hon. W. A. Clark, Mrs. G.
H. Gilbert, John Drew, and many other
notables. There are also some fine
landscapes. The editorials are timely
sermons on practical topics.—The Burr
Pub. Co., 4 West 22nd St., New York.

McClure's for January contains many
articles timely and pleasing. "Lynch-
ing in the South," by Ray Stannard
Baker, is the work of a trained jour-
nalist seeking, not to argue, but to show
the causes of recent outbreaks. Al-
though himself a Northerner, he finds
that the South has no lessons to learn
from the North concerning lynching.
In "Tuberculosis, the Red Race Suic-
ide," Samuel Hopkins Adams states,
no less authoritatively than startlingly,
the horrors of "The Great White Plague."
Heart-beats of our great na-
tion are galvanized into life by several
story-writers in this number. The last
chapter of "Seward Edwards," which is
serial, "The Rawhide," contain not only
the sweeping out-door flavor of Arizona
(shown, too, in Maxfield Parrish's won-
derful color picture), and the swift ac-
tion of the catastrophe, but also a mag-
nificent analysis of human suffering. An-
other Arizona story is Henry Wallace
Phillips' yarn, "A Touch of Nature."
To a little Kansas town we are carried
by the pen of Willie Carter, to witness
"The Sculptor's Funeral." Charles
Fleming Embree tells what a mockery
was "The Liberty of Florentino," a
poor old Cuban who was run out of
his little Indian school because they
called him "nigger," and who wasn't
allowed to work at his trade because
they called him "scab." An extraor-
dinary revelation of a Japanese sacri-
fice, "For Love of Country," is made
by John Dwight.—The S. S. McClure
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