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ARE YOU REGISTERED?

Every voter who expects to cast a ballot on Nov. 5 should see that his or her name is entered on the list. He should take no man's word for it but see himself. Anyone who has been registered and cast a ballot in the last county election may vote this year without registering, provided he still lives where he did then. One may not vote who merely registered and did not cast his ballot. All newcomers, and all who have moved from one district to another must re-register. The last chance to register will be on Tuesday, October 29.

NO CAUSE FOR ALARM.

There have been some forecasts lately of an impending panic with hard times following immediately in its wake, and the recent earthquake in Wall street seemed to prove the truth of the prognostications of evil. But the conservative opinion of business men seems to be that there is no need of any fear for the future. Some gamblers, it is true, have suffered or will suffer from the attacks and counter-attacks in the stock arena, but legitimate business and legitimate banking have nothing to fear, for the confidence of the great public in the foundations of national prosperity has not been shaken in the least. This seems to be the prevailing opinion.

In the meantime the difficulties encountered by some of the large New York concerns are followed with intense interest in the business centers of the world. Those in a position to know admit that even sound institutions may be affected temporarily, but the defeat of some speculators, it is said, will gradually clear the atmosphere, and leave the real situation as solid and sound as ever.

The charge that the government is responsible for the fall in values, the Chicago Record-Herald meets as follows:

"High finance" has overreached itself in the copper field. It is paying the penalty. The effect of the series of slumps produced by reckless and dishonest methods should help to peopleize our great corporations and to drive home the need of honesty and publicity in corporate business. There should be an end to the absurd talk of the responsibility of the national administration for the decline in stock values. Nothing that the administration has done or projected has threatened injury to railroads, mining, manufacturing, agriculture, or any other industry. Whatever menace or cloud there may have appeared has grown out of the practices of financiers and "money crowds" and of disclosures of fraud, loot, grab and betrayal on the part of get-rich quick swindlers in high finance.

JUGGLING WITH FIGURES.

Under the heading, "City's Profit is \$146,774.08," the anti-Mormon sheet shows that the regular expense fund of the city has cash on hand \$24,413.35, and cash warrants outstanding that is debits acknowledged and certified but not yet paid, amounting to \$429,150.73.

Out of this showing the sheet pretends to extract the conclusion that "the city's profit is \$146,774.08 as shown by the auditor's books." Such a debt and deficit is a dismal kind of "profit" to the taxpayers.

To arrive at this result, the organ manipulates the city's portion of the special funds for sidewalks, street paving, sewers, curbs and gutters, \$128,609.04, as if it were the general expense, estimates that the expenses for the last three months of 1907, will average the same as for the previous months of 1907, and hopes that the taxes receivable from November to January will amount to \$410,505.75. It also pretends to believe that the expenses for the first nine months of 1908 will be no larger than for the corresponding months of 1907.

According to that "figuring," if all the taxes come in, as it imagines, the city will not have profited anything; but there may (it is hoped) be something left after all the taxes of 1907 have gone into the present acknowledged deficit, \$104,777.43, and into the ever increasing debts due to general expenses.

EXTRAVAGANT GOVERNMENT.

We have charged that the money of the tax-payers of this city is being squandered by manipulators in the interest of the party, and if we were given to personalities we could furnish some particulars; for we have our information from perfectly reliable sources.

This city is, unfortunately, not the only one in which such conditions prevail. The New York Herald, we notice, shows that the total expenditures of that city are as great as the annual disbursements of Austria-Hungary, Switzerland and Denmark combined, and the Portland Oregonian, commenting on this says:

where nothing is set for the money in proportion to what is obtained. One excess becomes a precedent for another, and the cost is continually increased by setting up the customs prevailing in one city as examples for others. Every other city, therefore, must be extravagant, proportionately, as New York, and the tax-consumers pay the smaller cities against each other, on the like system.

This, unfortunately, is a more or less general condition, but at times our municipal governments fall into the hands of unscrupulous marauders who regard public office in no other light than "spoils."

ENGLAND'S PROSPECTIVE STRIKE

Conservative Great Britain is now facing the possibility of the greatest labor strike in the history of the United Kingdom. On Saturday the voting on the question of tying up all the railroads will be concluded. The ballots are now being cast by the members of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, of which Richard Bell, M. P., is general secretary. John Bull now has his eyes turned towards the result which will be made public shortly.

Dispatches affirm that it is not likely that the strike will be declared immediately upon the announcement of the vote, as the officials of the Amalgamated Society are in favor of making a last effort to settle the dispute peacefully.

It is likely that this attempt will be fruitless, as the railroad companies have already made an unfavorable and final reply to the society's demand for recognition of the union and higher wages and shorter hours.

Even a peaceful strike, shorn of all the bloody incidents generally connected with an American clash between capital and labor, would paralyze the wheels of industry. The English business man, from the head of the firm down to the bookkeeper and apprentice, is a great believer in the gospel of fresh air, and every night he migrates to his home in the suburbs and a five-minute train service takes him back to work the next morning. In the City of London proper which is under the jurisdiction of the Lord Mayor and which is recognized as the hub of the world's commercial and financial wheels, it is stated that after 8 o'clock at night there is not a score of people left within its corporate limits—these, of course, aside from the regular guard at the Bank of England and the watchmen, firemen and police who guard the big wholesale houses and business enterprises. Nightly a million men migrate to the suburbs.

In a lesser degree this holds good in all the large cities of Great Britain. The dense population makes railroads a necessity, both from the standpoint of transportation and the food and fuel supply.

In the meantime John Bull is taking solace from the fact that an analysis of the Amalgamated society's funds states that there is only an amount equal to about 11 per cent available for strike purposes. However, eleven dollars goes a long way in England and it is further promised that in the event that the strike is declared the organized workmen of England will come to the assistance of the railroad employees.

A strike or a lockout is always to be regretted. But one shudders in the contemplation of one of such huge proportions in gloomy London in still gloomier November.

TRAINED NURSES WANTED.

No calling is more important than that of a nurse. To alleviate the sufferings of fellow-beings, to help men and women to fight the battles against death, on behalf of themselves or their loved ones—no work can give greater satisfaction, even when it is most trying and strenuous. And there is always plenty to do in this line. The services of a good Samaritan are always in demand in a world of sickness and death.

For this reason we take pleasure in calling attention to the fact that there are vacancies just now at the Latter-day Saints Hospital for four young women to enter the training school for nurses. The course of training covers a period of three years and a monthly allowance is made each nurse, in addition to the education that is given. The nurses reside at the home, and the hospital authorities will give diplomas to graduates. The applicant should be of sound body and sound, preferably, have high school education.

YOUNG MEN AT FAULT.

Reference was made in a recent "News" editorial to the increase in the number of women entering the ranks of bread-winners, and it was pointed out that something must be wrong in society when it is necessary for the women to become beasts of burden. There is another side to this question that should also be considered. Possibly many young women prefer a single state to matrimony, for sufficient reasons. When one sees the street so many young men with cigarettes in their mouths, when so many young men may be seen running in and out of saloons, and hanging around the street corners day and night; when one can go into almost any gambling resort and find marriageable young men there in large numbers; when one notes the conduct of so many young men at the summer resorts, as well as on public occasions, it is no wonder if many respectable young women with common sense ideas of life conclude to abandon matrimonial aspirations, and prepare themselves to fight their own battles in life. It is no wonder if they enter the clerical and educational fields in large numbers. They prove steady, reliable and conscientious workers, saving their surplus earnings "against a rainy day."

When a woman marries, she wants a man whom she can respect as well as love; and how can she respect a young man whose manner of life is not above reproach? If her opportunities for matrimony are confined to men whose habits admit of suspicion, she concludes not to "take chances," and remains single. True, ability to support, apart from other things, is a serious and legitimate consideration; but there is a far less occasion to consider this as a sole reason for remaining alone, than the question of a young man's habits.

Intoxicating drink, tobacco, late hours, gambling and evil associations are playing havoc with American youth. It would seem that the standard of physical and mental excellence, to say nothing of the spiritual, is being steadily lowered among the young men. Parents are largely responsible for this in not keeping their boys at home evenings, instead of allowing them to run in the streets. Then, another source of trouble is the freedom of access to saloons and other places of evil influences.

Too many safeguards cannot be thrown around the young, during the years wherein their habits, their characters are forming. People affect to laugh at the curfew law, and it is not enforced, when it would prove an excellent preventive of evil, if only rigorously administered. People also affect to laugh at the "blue nosed Puritans" for being so strict in bringing up their children; and yet every Dec. 22nd, there are largely attended banquets given all over the land in honor of these self same "blue nosed Puritans." They may have had a pretty stiff and straight faced "bringing up," but where would they have been with the utter lack of training during youth such as marks the earlier years of a very large fraction of "Young America?"

In these degenerate days of larger beer, cigarettes, cardplaying, and loose associations?

That was a most pathetic commentary on the tendencies of the day, offered by Shockley in a Christian Endeavor society meeting one recent Sunday morning in the state prison, when he said, "People may make sport and poke fun at others for being what they call 'bigots' and 'fanatics'; but I notice that had I been one of these 'bigots' and 'fanatics,' I never would have come into this place." It would be a good thing if the screws could be put right on to the rising generation in this land of altogether too unbridled freedom, and our youth taught to mind their moral, mental and physical Ps and Qs with a rigor and a vigor calculated to ensure a healthier mind in a healthier body, and a better prospect for an honorable, efficient citizenship, and a better fulfillment of the duties of life generally.

Put not your trust in trust companies. What the "American" party wants is confusion. Mr. Heinze can truly say, "After me, the deluge."

When balloons land in America, it is the land of the free.

Latest reports from Pittsburgh show that it is as black as it is painted. "Made in Germany." The balloon that captured the James Gordon Bennett cup.

What difference does it make what the price of coal is when you can't get it?

Some of the Louisiana bears breathe easier but three of them will never breathe again.

In the kingdom of the blind the one-eyed is king, but in Rhode Island a blind boss is king.

Too much get-rich-quick enterprises is largely responsible for the financial crash in New York.

"Crime-blindness" is the latest phrase in criminology. It is nothing but moral blindness under another name.

Secretary Taft finds the work of the Philippine assembly satisfactory. The lid will continue to remain off.

"I am responsible for turning on the light," says President Roosevelt. And the people say, "Keep it turned on."

Only the Atlantic ocean stopped the flight of the German astronaut. "Man marks the earth with ruin—his control stops with the shore."

Wall street off invites and ever welcomes government aid, but it has its whenever government regulation of railroads is mentioned.

Rear Admiral Selfridge, who is some years past three score and ten, has just taken a bride of some sixty-five summers. A long and a happy life to them.

"One of the most stimulating and fascinating persons ever met." Such is the Bishop of London's comment on the President. Particularly in a tennis game.

One of the vice presidents of the Knickerbocker Trust company blames the President for the present disturbance in the money market. How handy it is to be able to lay over our failures on somebody else's shoulders.

Congressman Bortell suggests that desks in the lower house of Congress be abolished and benches substituted for them. Should the change be made, it would make the house instead of a bear garden the greatest bench show on earth.

SUPPLY EXCEEDS THE DEMAND

Dayton Optimist.

The great Methodist conference held in Portland last week spent no time in discussing the greatest enemy to effective church work as far as we have been able to learn from the news dispatches. We refer to the plan of crowding four or five ministers on to a community where there is room for but one or two. Do these good people think that the Lord will provide separate churches in heaven for the several denominations that refuse to worship together on earth? When it comes to a show down, the average saint will be so glad to get through the parish sales that he will spend little time worrying about whether he gets in under cover of a light shower of sinners. In the assembling the differences that separate congregations are of as much value as the hairs on David Harnum's dog.

LOST IN A FOG.

Portland Oregonian.

A London ballroomist who made a fortune starting from the Crystal Palace, intending to break his long-distance record by sailing to Russia, lost his bearings in a thick fog and descended in Sweden. This experience presents a new phase of the problem of air navigation. When the river navigator gets lost in a fog, he "feels" his way to a

buoy. The coasting navigator endeavors to pick up a whistling buoy or lightship for the fog area of an adjacent lightship. The deep-sea navigator who loses his bearings can read his log and perhaps get soundings until clearing weather enables him to take an observation and secure his position. The airship navigator, however, finds no buoy along the route and gets no friendly hail from a lightship. The descent to earth to pick up bearings is also attended by some risk, for it might be water instead of earth where the balloon alights.

JUST FOR FUN.

Mr. Microbe, (reading the "Daily News")—Having catatrophed! Ten million lives lost!
Mrs. Microbe—(Goodness gracious Mike! What happened?)
Mr. Microbe—The First National bank, without a word of warning, sterilized a dollar bill—Pack.

Self-Providing.

Mistress—Did you remember to feed the cat every day during my absence?
Servant—Every day but one, ma'am.
Mistress—and didn't the poor thing have anything to eat all day?
Servant—Oh, yes, ma'am; she ate the canary.—Chicago Daily News.

When the Motor Passed.

Old Coachman (exclaiming superciliously at a new motor)—Well, all I can say is when the ladies went out with me they used to take a pride in making themselves look nice; but when they go out in that machine, being they look like patients out of one of them eye and ear hospitals.—Punch.

Our National Anthem.

(As rendered by the average American.)
My country, 'tis of thee,
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Thi tum tum tee.
Land where my fathers died—
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Thi tum tee!
—Louisville Courier Journal.

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