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HE, ONLY IS GREAT. Two centuries ago, the dignitaries of France were assembled in Notre Dame to celebrate the obsequies of Louis XIV. The Cathedral was drap-ed in black, the light of the candles gleaming in the chapels was eclipsed by the lurid glare of the uplifted torches. On every side of the great gathering were emblems of sorrow. Louis XIV had reigned for 70 years. The court chaplin Massillon stood ready to deliver the eulogium, a sil-ence deep and intense marked the gathering. For a few moments his emotion overcame him; then slowly lifting his eyes from the coffin, higher and higher, until the silence was broken by the words: "ONLY GOD IS GREAT." When the writer recalled again the above incident from the pages of French History, he thought they might be well for the reader to consider in the days after the great excitement of election. Days when the greatness of men was forced again and again upon us, for the purpose of influencing choice, days when men waxed hot, lost their tempers, said things that perhaps in

call that "ONLY GOD IS GREAT." It is a good thing for the young man assuming the responsibilities of life facing opinons of men, fired with an ambition to make the most of his chances. When the greatness of some ideal appeals to him and by sacrificing honor and manhood he can gain it, REMEMBER, ONLY GOD IS

their calmer moments they were sorry

tranquility it is a good thing to re-

And now that it is all one years we can resume again wonted

The young woman too, with her tendencies toward a religious life. Excepting through public preferment to reach a pinnacle of greatness which often must be reached by laying aside womanhood, wifely duties, and parental obligations. When the star shines luring and the greatness promised seems to eclipse the sun, REMEMBER, "ONLY GOD IS

The politician too, might ponder long and well on these words. He might once again read the history of might once again read the initiony of Louis XIV. He might well let the words of the chaplin ring again in his ears, he might once again stand by the side of the catafaque and look down in the face of Louis XIV.

No. He might look again over the pages of some of the testimony concerning the acts of dead legislators of the Empire State. Their greatn of the Empire State. Their presumers has vanished, they lived for a little time every knee bowed, men obeyed their commands. They have gone, their greatness is dimmed. ONLY GOD IS GREAT. Then to be

their greatness to COD IS GREAT. Then to De GREAT, time up with GOD.

The great need of to-day is men CONVICTIONS and bewho have CONVICTIONS and who will carry out those convictions be-cause it is RIGHT. Needs women who will accept nothing from the men but the best—the best they can give—men and women with a public conscience, who are great because their lives are lined up with GOD, for "HE ONLY IS GREAT.

Make no mistake about that. At a recent temperance meeting, a man in the audience cried out, "why don't God strike with lightning these awful saloons" the speakers answered "it's not lightning we need, its conductors." That's it nout whine and wonder when the conditions will be better, be a lightning conductor and go in and make Andover the cleanest, and most moral place on the sphere. Don't talk about your own greatness

TRUE TO LIFE.

It was in a trolley car in a city ot a thousand miles away from And over. The hour was evening and the crowds were hurrying home from their days labors or were on pleasure

In one of the seats sat a man and in one of the sease set a man the a boy evidently father and son, the boy about seven or eight years of age, both tired from the days pleasure or duties. The night was cold, one of the first of the winter. The man was evidently of the farm class with his rough cost and grim; hands that told of his labors.

he wanted the window opened, the

father objected, but the boy facisted. Sit down was the command from Bit down was the command from the father, I won't, was the rejoinder of young hopeful, (or hopeless.) Then in that car before all the passengers. ocurred a scene all too common in our American cities, in these days when the children know more than THE OPYIMIET. the parents.

The father cuffed the boy over the the box booksoed much to the annoyance of the passengers. And the father had that look of disgust I-can't-do-anything-with-you toward the boy. But who was to blame, not the boy

No Sir, put it up to the parent. The place he should have demanded obe first of all was at home then he would have had no such scene to his great mortification on a pub ic conveyance. The place to begin with all children is at home, there with all children is at nome, there
is where obedience should be taught.

Fathers and mothers these days
are evidently lax in the fundamentals

of the children's training. Make your children respect you at home and they will in all places. Do not think it is indicative of your love to let the child have its own way, its own hurt. Love often is better shown in the restraining power of

And parents don't find fault if your children go wrong if you are not true to your parental duties. The wise man of old said some true things. Don't sound like the "taffy" senti ments of some of our popular mush; sentimental writers, does it? But it is true. "Spare the rod and spoil the child." "Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not depart from it."

AIR SHOOTERS.

The recent triumphs by the air men have called attention again to the great advancements made in a few years to the flying machines. used to be that all manner of fun was made of the "dream" as it was called of air flying. "Darius Green" and his famous flying machine was the thought of the school boy.

Americans have demonstrated that they, as in everything are in the forefront of aviation trumphs. There was Wellman, and his dirigible that was to sail over the Atlantic, all manner of sport was made of the proposed effort, but he tried and made the best record yet. His idea was a fulfillment of the dream of years ago when the Graphic, an enterprising New York City paper had made the largest balloon on re-cord at that time. To-day it would be small in comparison with some of the giant ships that sail the air. Just as the former famous "Great Eastern" the largest ship in the world, would be a pigmy by the side of the giants of the seas of to-

lay. Then last week the America II Then last week the America in made a record for the longest distance of balloon flying, and so America is ahead in the triumphs of

the air as well as triumphs of com-mercialism.

What the future has in store for the air shooter, no one would dare to prophecy, of course we read much about the air-ship for traveling, and the superseeding of the automobile. But you can put it down in the lining of your hat, that it will be many moons before there will be any commercial value to the air-ship as a means of transportation, if ever. The whole crux of the matter is in the motor, and if you will ter is in the motor, and it you want allow your mind to run back just a short period, you will recall that it was comparatively a short time ago, that motors could not be relied upon, but through the improvements the automobile there came improve ments to the motors, so the motor is the crux of the whole machine, and the air shooters are putting all their ingenuity into the perfection of the power that will make them air shooters.

so until a motor can be made ut-terly dependable, there is not prospect of any deep inroads being nade into the automobile business by the air men. Air ships will be well enough for exhibitions at fair time Etc., but for commercial value, they are no more use than a "Hot they are no more use than a "Hot Air Shooter" who is all "bang" lives in the air. Better keep both feet on the ground and bo some body than an air-shooter dream-er, made only for exhibition purposes.

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The Optomist By an Optomist

four square and true we need Little we care what be their ore Men whose eyes are clear and keen

Or preach too much about "The State:"

But vote for the good of the common wealth,

For justice, truth and moral health; There are probably some who will think The Optimist is out of his sphere when he begins to write of politics, and then any little politics, and then our little rhyme nay seem to have struck a pessimistic strain to some. We are writing just on the eve of the political battle, and when our words

reach the reader the battle will be over and the smoke cleared up. Just who will be dead or wounded politially we do not know, but we deem it an opportune time to say some which we believe ought to things appeal to every thoughtful man.

The Optimist is no politician. He

has never run for office, and no office has ever run after him. He is very proud to say that he is an Independent in politics, and he be-lieves that in the independent voter lies the hope of cleaner, better things in our political life. The man who votes as Pa votes, and as, Pa's Pa voted before him, is a dangerous citizen in these times. Political issues to-day are largely issues between good and bad men. The hide bound party man, who cannot see a bad man in his own party or a good man in the other party, and see his way

clear to vote the one out and the other in, is a very poor citizen. And so The Optimist sees a sign of cheer in the rise of the in-We broke from dependent voter. Pa's political apron strings years ago. In fact we have ha heated arguments with Pa, and we are cheered by the fact that even Pa is not so hide bound as he used to be.
We are glad to belong to the voting class that made it possible to elect a Hughes governor of New York State and a Gaynor mayor of New York City. The rise of the inde-pendent voter is a sign that men are thinking, that their moral percep-tions are keener, their moral standards higher. When-the independent voter really asserts himself, the best man is always elected and the bad man is always turned down

And another cheerful thing is that the rise of the independent voter is encouraging good men to enter the political arena, and forcing the great political parties to put only good men at the head of the ticket, and it is pretty near the time when every man on the ticket will have to be a good one. The days of the old time figure head Governor of New York State are gone. We remember very distinctly when a band of col-lege boys called out one of the candidates for governor and asked him to make a speech one night, and there was not a man in the crowd who could not have discussed the is sues of the day with a great deal more intelligence than he did He had barrels of money and he the chance "Governor" was a thing to be laugh ed at when connected with his nam The Independent voter has come to stay. He has come to assert that we are going to have men of brains sponsibility. He has come to assert balancing power between a balancing power netweeth the two great political parties: and they have recognized that power, and will recognize it more and more.

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Now gentle reader, cheer up.

Don't think the country is going to
the dogs, or that polities are getting worse and worse. They are
not getting worse. Just bank on not getting worse. the independent voter.

The "Kings Daughters" will serve a 15c supper at the Presbyterian church parlors, Wednesday evening, November 16, from 5 until all are

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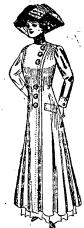
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