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 "There is Not a Way, Cut a Way."

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One of the eternal mysteries will be what did old Father Time do with that idle hour when the schedule was changed?

Chinese fishermen train divers to catch fish, which is all right if the others don't do too much talking about their exploits.

An exchange remarks that the Mexican crisis is passing. Of course it is. They pass as regularly down there as the moon's phases.

The Kaiser's partnership with Gott on the western front is rather distracting his mind from his alliance with Blahomet on the eastern line.

You may have set the clock ahead, according to orders, but did you think to tell old Chanticleer to get on the job an hour earlier in the morning?

Does that bill giving the President power to requisition the timber of the country wherever necessary, have any reference to the faces of the politicians?

If Hearst should become a candidate for Governor of New York against Whitman it would become proper to advance the references to a choice of two evils.

If that German drive on the western front was a defensive and the Kaiser insists his war is a defensive one—we should not like to witness a German offensive.

Now is the time to begin keeping your chickens penned up, remarks an exchange. The impressionable bachelor cynically retorts that there's catching before penning.

A life for every foot of ground is what Germany is paying for territory gained. But she probably thinks that life can be produced while there is only so much territory.

A New York man appealed to the courts to compel his wife to keep silence. But where is he going to find a judge with nerve enough to undertake to impose such a sentence?

The country should not be surprised at the burning of that Tennessee Negro when it is known that the event happened in the jurisdiction of Judge Lynch. There is much in a name.

It might be hinted to those patriots who are so patriotically hanging on to their earthly possessions, that Liberty Bonds at 4 1/2 per cent. will be much more attractive than a direct tax.

When you hear a patriot lamenting the fact that he is past the service age, remind him that those within that age are giving 365 days a year to their country, and that by scratching around right lively he might discover an opportunity to employ at least a part of his time the same way even here at home. Many other things besides fighting are to be done.

A man is either 100 per cent. American in this war or he is a traitor. There is no middle ground. If he is trying to be neutral, his heart is with the enemy, and he should be sent to some neutral country. If he is not, he is an ingrate and should be sent back to the land he was born in and sent to the front to serve in the army or to this country to

WOMEN AND PROHIBITION

We have noticed an article, bearing the sounds of the press, frequently used as original editorial, which either originated from the pen of an anti-suffragist, or has been copied from the dinner table of some politician, and sent to newspapers with the hope of securing publicity for their propaganda.

This particular article seems to contain a peculiar bait to the conventional feelings of some anti-suffrage editors, for it is being used exclusively by them.

We copy herewith this "blooming editorial," that our readers may judge for themselves of its justice and accuracy.

Here it is:
 "Prohibition was up before the bar of judgment in New York on election day last election. The verdict was overwhelmingly against it. And the women in the initial vote, helped to bring in the reverse verdict. Of the total vote of more than 23,000 in the Twenty-first Congress district the Prohibition candidate got just 382 votes.

It had been predicted by the In-Sobriety League publicists that the advent of women into the rights of citizenship in New York would throw a vast force into the fight for prohibition. The result of the women's voting in the Twenty-first exposed fully the error of those predictions. The total women's vote in this district was 9,370. The total vote by men and women— for the prohibition candidate was only 4 per cent. of the women's vote.

The issue was fought out thoroughly before the election by the prohibition forces. Yet the total vote for prohibition was less than 1 per cent. of the enrollment electorate in the district.

"So much for Suffrage reform in New York City."

The best that can possibly be said of the above is that it is not true. We do not believe that the editors who copied this article are so dull in the copy that they do not know the statements are untrue.

There was no prohibition or even temperance campaign being conducted in New York in any part of that city last fall or at any other time. New York has never been given the opportunity of paying its respects to the liquor traffic in its midst, and it is questionable if the politicians will ever run the risk of allowing them so to do.

But there was a real hot campaign conducted in several congressional districts in New York last fall, and the twenty-first was one of them. It was the issue of standing by our national administration or repudiating it. The 9,370 women who voted did not, evidently, care to throw away their opportunity of staunchly supporting President Wilson in these troublous times by being fooled into voting for a Prohibition party candidate who could not possibly be elected, and whose election would not have benefited the prohibition or temperance cause one atom.

The Prohibition party candidate in that congressional district received only 382 votes. Where were all the temperance and prohibition men? Do the papers copying this false propaganda wish to stand for the statement, which the article infers, that all the votes cast in that election, save those cast for the Prohibition party candidate, were votes in opposition to temperance and prohibition?

The Prohibition party leaders have always told us such was the case, but this is the first instance we have found where any members of the Republican and Democratic press has admitted it to be true.

No, brothers, the women did not vote against temperance or prohibition. They voted to help hold up the hands of the President of the United States in this hour of stress, just as all good men and women of all political parties should do, until we have Bill Kaiser in jail for life and his heart of stone on the run.

Somehow, if you are really anxious to know how the women are going to vote on the temperance question, just patiently wait a week or so till they show

FARM LABOR

Thru the action of the Federal Government, what promised to be a famine in farm labor has apparently been relieved to some extent. The work of the United States Employment Service of the Department of Labor is bringing better conditions.

PROTECT THE CHILDREN

The injury that war works to children does not stop with the deprivation of life and property. The greatest injury is in the

Nighting influence on character. America should be truly thankful that this war is to be fought in other lands and on "foreign" soil. Were the conditions here—as in France we would indeed have cause to fear for the future of our country.

Survivors of our Civil War who were children growing up when that conflict was raging can And will testify to the destructive effect of war and war talk on the plastic minds of the young. It has been noted with surprise by many that the children of enemies harbor enmity and animosity long after all traces of bitterness has departed from the hearts of the combatants.

There is a perfectly natural reason for this. Men who have met each other in the shock of battle, who have given and taken blow for blow, have learned to respect a brave foe; and when hostilities have ceased and the cause of strife has been removed or settled, there has been little enmity left in their hearts.

This, however, is not the case with the child who has grown up under war influence. To the young, impressionable mind an enemy is invested with all the attributes of the evil one himself. None but the worst characteristics of that enemy are brought to the child's notice, and in time he comes to look upon such enemy as altogether bad.

The people of this country should take extra precautions to the end that the young people be disturbed as little as possible by talk of war and preparations for war. They should be discouraged from all discussions of the war and its causes. There will be plenty of time for them to acquire all this information when this struggle shall have passed into history. In fact the pages of history is the proper source of their information, because only there can they be reasonably sure of its accuracy.

The teacher who is really consecrated to his calling will, in this crisis, devote all his energy to the task of keeping the minds of the children under his care as near the normal as circumstances will allow. Keep the young mind so busy with the vital matters of acquiring an education in the practical affairs of life, that war and its horrors will find no place in his thoughts.

We would not be understood to discourage the teaching of patriotism to the child. Every child should be early embodied with a love and reverence for his homeland. But this can be inculcated in a natural manner—and the child's mind still be detached from the concrete facts of this or any other conflict.

For the sake of the child's welfare, let us confine this war to the adults. The children have no place in it.

GOVERNMENT FAILURES

It is not so much a question of one criticizing the Administration, but it is or is not that criticism just. If it is up to the Administration to remove the cause. If, in just, the critic has committed an inexcusable blunder. The really patriotic cause, however, would have been to back up and sustain the Administration in such a manner that there need have been no occasion for the criticism. Did it ever strike you brother, that perhaps the greater number of Government failures come more from failure to receive your support and my support than from a dereliction of official duty? Think it over and perhaps your next criticism will be leveled at a different target.

Disappointed in pulling off their fight in Baltimore, Willard and Fulton might try the western front in France. There might not be so many rounds fought, but it is safe to say it would be mighty interesting while it lasted.

A merchant can "afford" so print any advertisement which has to do with merchandise or selling facts about his store.

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Scarcity of farm labor will still be felt in some sections, as much of the labor coming on the farms will be inexperienced. But in those where this class of help can be used the greatest publicity should be given the fact that the employment service stands ready at all times to co-operate with the farmers in remedying the trouble.

In any community suffering with a scarcity of farm help, an application to your rural route carrier or postmaster will bring a blank form that when properly filled out and forwarded to Washington, according to directions will put the community in direct touch with the employment service. The heads of this service wish the country to know that to date the service has been able to supply labor to meet all calls, and hopes to be able to meet all future calls.

Farmers needing help and unable to secure it should not hesitate to call upon this department, which has been created primarily for their relief. The Government is urgent that no land in the United States lies idle this year. It is possible to bring it under cultivation. To this end farmers who wish the proper help, would be enabled to increase their acreage of crops, should avail themselves of the employment service and exert themselves to the utmost to produce bumper crops.

A press agent refers to the voice of the noted Victrola singer Gail-Curt, as "bottled-moonshine." We don't know what Gail's prices are, but in the "dry" sections of this country that commodity retails at around four dollars a quart.

When you want to sell it put an advt. in The News.

A Minimum.

You spend twice that on beer. When only beginning career. Did you think it dear?

A nickel a day for yourself. And a nickel a week for the kids. It's only twenty dollars a year. To save your land from the surest. To have your home from us appear. Do you think it dear?

A dime a day for yourself. And a dime a week for the kids. It's over forty dollars a year.

Decorations by C. B. Falls. A quarter a day for yourself. And a quarter a week for the kids. It's over a hundred dollars a year. (Figure it up, and see how near). And there you have it—bought and clear. Do you think it's dear?

A dime a day for yourself. And a dime a week for the kids. It's over forty dollars a year.

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