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POLICE POWER AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

The highest tribute to the people of the State of New York is that the great body of citizens, regardless of party affiliations, or associations of any sort whatever, believe in the enforcement of law. They believe in law because they have the intelligence to discern that without it orderly procedure would be out of the question.

This does not apply by any means to prohibition alone; it extends to all statutes and proves that they favor enforcement of all laws. By this ideal the American people have become the greatest people on earth.

There are statutes the enforcement of which, in a way, may become hardships to those who need no legal restrictions, but who, nevertheless, realize that law is necessary, inasmuch as it provides protection for all; that it is the instrument that acts for the greatest good for the greatest number. It is this that the people see in law enforcement, and the application is just as closely related to any other statute as it is to prohibition.

That such and such a law can never be enforced is a statement frequently made. It may be correct as to one hundred Per cent. enforcement, but there is no law that cannot be enforced to controllable extent. The people, without being threatened, obey the law and believe in its enforcement, and the majority needs no further dictation than the very fact that law is law. This is the attitude of the overwhelming proportion and were it not so any given number of police officers would not be sufficient to maintain orderly procedure.

Without the moral support of those who never fail to stand for that which is right, the entire police machinery of the state would not be enough to control. The merits of prohibition do not enter into the premises any more than the merits of any other statutes under which we live.

There are those who contend that it will be impossible to make this, or any other state in the Union, bone dry. It may be impossible to make any commonwealth actually bone dry, but it will be possible to enforce the law so that the purpose of it will not be lost. Laws will be violated, all laws, prohibition and all others. If they were not our great police force machinery would be entirely unnecessary. They will be enforced, and the great majority of law-abiding people will support the thing that is right, which must attach to any government that is to survive.

The police powers of this and every other state rests in the hands of the people themselves. This is what the Governor had in mind last winter when he said he believed that the local authorities had ample means to enforce prohibition the same as they had to stop theft or any other violation. He counted, and rightly so, upon the integrity of the majority in every section; for there is no political sub-division where those who believe in law and order are in the minority.

It is now quite easy to "say it with flowers."

"Cousin" Harding of Chicago, has again proven old "P. T.'s" saying wise.

There is one really good hyphenated citizen, and he is the All-American one.

Nowadays one is apt to get off the key when we sing "Sweet Land of Liberty."

Another way to solve the housing problem is to stop young people from getting married.

After all things even up, Europe is distressed by the Near East and the United States by the near beer.

No danger of the Stillman case being dropped, so long as those thousands upon thousands of counsel fees hold out.

A writer informs us that preparedness is futile. Which is another way of saying that the best filled cellars succumb to continued attacks.

Business men who look upon advertising as an investment admit that there is no more potent force than the newspaper. It reaches the homes.

Somehow or other a movie star doesn't seem convincing in juvenile roles when one knows she is living with her third or fourth husband.

BE TRUTHFUL

NO man who is truthful needs a press agent or any advertising medium to convince the people that he is a person in whom they may place confidence. As a rule his demeanor will denote character. Unless it does, ordinarily, all publicity methods known will not help in the long run. Few ever depart from first impressions. When we meet a man whose appearance bespeaks integrity, we seldom change our minds. That will occur occasionally, but the instances are rare. Nothing in the size of type, however, from agate to the largest faces, will get him on top, and keep him there unless he is truthful.

With proper advertising a yellow dog without pedigree can be sold as the best registered kennel products. This unquestionably is so, but the rule can only be made once. The same rule applies to the man heralded as great, but who after he is placed upon a pinnacle fails to meet requirements. From that moment he is numbered among those found and "not wanted." An unlimited supply of ink and argument may be used to explain the why's and wherefore's, but if the public has purchased a bogus article it will not be fooled into any subsequent transaction.

To-day the people are demanding the truth as never before. They want the facts just as they are, and not as they might wish they were. Intelligent people can see no benefit of coloring any situation to make it appear

right if it is wrong. If it is wrong the truth might just as well be known. Hiding it makes the problem more difficult to adjust later. Putting off is always dangerous, and there is a natural tendency of a great many to evade. The honest man, however, is the man who seeks the truth and when he finds it is willing to declare it frankly and openly.

The whole trend in politics, in business, and in every walk, seems to be for truth. But aside from that, and as a personal proposition, truth has a tremendous value. The man who is truthful has standing and it makes no difference who he is or what he is, and the man who is not truthful has no standing, no matter who he is or what he is.

It has been said that a liar is worse than a thief, and it can be added that it is harder to catch a liar than it is a thief. To use that "short and ugly word," aiming it at any individual, seems to be more damaging as an accusatory utterance than any other charge that could be made.

The man whose word is good is the man who counts. If he is prominent and it is said that he is truthful it solidifies his standing, and if he is not prominent, it emphasizes his personal worth immeasurably. As to the standing of the truthful man there is no room for debate, for there is no community where there is not one whose shining characteristic is, "He tells the truth." And when this is said of any of us we can claim the respect of the people who count and our bank deposit will not have any influence one way or the other, for truth means character.

SENT FRIEND UNIQUE GIFT

When Andrew Johnson Resumed His Needle to Fashion a Mark of Personal Affection.

There's always just one more story about any of America's former Presidents. This time there is another about Andrew Johnson, Lincoln's tempestuous successor.

Johnson, while governor of Tennessee, once resumed his vocational implements. He had formed a strong friendship in the Tennessee legislature for W. W. Pepper of Springfield, a staunch Whig, and once a blacksmith. Despite their irreconcilable political creeds the personal relations of Johnson and Pepper were extremely cordial. Pepper became a judge in 1854, and after a visit to Johnson, then governor, set about fashioning a shovel, which he sent with a note explaining it was intended as a memento of a friendship proof against all political differences. Johnson, to show his appreciation, took up his scissors and needle and made a handsome beaver cloth coat which he sent to Pepper. It was a splendid piece of workmanship, probably the last of that kind of work Johnson ever did, and exists to this day.

His Time Was Not Up Yet.

A man of mercenary spirit had a son whom he kept well under parental charge, allowing him few liberties and making him work hard.

It was with a feeling of considerable satisfaction that the young man rose on the morning of his twenty-first birthday and began to collect his belongings preparatory to starting out in the world.

The farmer, seeing his son packing his trunk, which he rightly judged to be evidence of the early loss of a good farm hand, stopped at the door of the young man's room and asked what he was going to do.

"The boy very promptly reminded his father of the day of the month and the year and declared his intention of striking out into the world on his own account.

"Not much you won't!" shouted the old man. "At least not for a while yet! You weren't born until after 12 o'clock, so you can just take off them good clothes and give me another half day's work down in the potato patch."

It Was a Good One.

It was our custom in English class at school to choose a certain person to read his theme aloud before the class, writes a correspondent. On this particular day the girl who sat across the table from me had let me see her paper before class started. It was a good one, so when the teacher asked whose theme we would like to hear, I promptly suggested that the girl across from me read hers. She arose, but instead of reading the one I had seen, she took another one from her book. It was a wonderful ode to the president of the senior class, praising him to the skies and throwing oratorical bouquets at him. I was the president.

The Family Luxury.

Guest—It's curious to me that your other daughters have married into large mercantile houses and your youngest daughter is engaged to a poet.

Host—Yes, I allowed it. The family secude him as an acornment.

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