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OUR KEYNOTE:

"If There is not a Way, Cut a Way."

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## THE SUN SHINES AGAIN.

THE financial sun is shining again. The clouds have been dispelled by the indomitable will power and determination of the American people, and the outlook is brighter than it has been at any time since the close of the great war.

A survey of the situation throughout the country shows that business in nearly all lines is not only "picking up," but is actually assuming the proportions of a boom.

Building construction is on the up grade to such an extent that skilled labor is becoming scarce and difficult to obtain. Employment is waiting for every man who possesses any skill at all in the various trades, and the ranks of the unemployed are becoming so decimated that it is almost a case of the job hunting the man.

Wages in numerous cases have been voluntarily raised instead of lowered, and this has operated to allay the spirit of unrest that has existed among the laboring classes for years.

The indications are that farm help will be so scarce this summer, owing to the fact that idle men will be comparatively few. The farmer, however, is preparing to overcome this handicap by taking greater advantage of the latest improvements in farm machinery, whereby one machine will do the work formerly done by several men.

Altogether the outlook is very bright. It is difficult indeed to obscure the financial sun in this country for any length of time.

## IT MIGHT BE WELL.

THERE has been some agitation looking to a revision of the constitution fixing the powers of the Supreme court of the United States.

The court consists of nine members, and five of these members, constituting a majority, can declare any law passed by congress and approved by the President, unconstitutional. It frequently occurs that this is done, and many people are beginning to feel some of these questions so decided are viewed by the court from too much of a partisan standpoint.

It has been suggested that where a bill has been passed by both houses of congress and becomes a law thru the approval of the president it should require a vote of at least seven of those nine members of the court to declare the law unconstitutional.

Congress represents the will of the people in the laws it enacts. If an act of the congress is unconstitutional it should not be difficult for seven of nine legally trained and unbiased minds to arrive at its unconstitutionality.

Party or class decisions by the supreme court would weaken the high regard in which that august body is now held by the American people.

It might be well to require a vote of seven of the nine members of the court to undo an act of the congress that has received the approval of the president of the United States.

The fellow who takes life easy never takes it too seriously.

If you are looking for a soft snap, every jail has a trusty or two.

Fame comes to a few who earn it and to many who would like to lose it.

Instead of envying the man of wealth get busy and accumulate more than he has. That's the way he did it.

## WHY PEOPLE DO NOT GO TO CHURCH.

CHURCHMEN have been wondering for many months why people do not go to church. They have been flaunting, in every opportune place, the fact that men, especially, religiously refrained from attending church, trying to figure out the reason.

When the public makes a radical change in its manner of life, business men usually attempt to find the real cause of the change, and in a majority of instances, find the reason is with themselves. Either they have fallen into a rut unconsciously, or have adopted some method of business that does not meet with the approval of the people. They then get busy trying to right their business organization and getting it in tune with the public ear and conscience.

We know that this method is naturally repugnant to the ordinary churchman, as they feel that it is not possible for them or their methods to be wrong. But if they would use a little of the ordinary horse sense the business men employ, it might be quite possible for them to find some of the reasons why people do not go to church, and be able without sacrificing any of their principles to make more agreeable to the ordinary citizen the weekly hour of church service.

The late P. T. Barnum said "The America people like to be humbugged." That has been proven true time and time again. They will go to a show, theatre, circus, museum, or other place of that sort, and be highly entertained and amused by the very smooth manner in which they are fooled and humbugged and their money extracted from them.

But when a true, blue-blooded American citizen goes to church, he is not in the same frame of mind as he is when he attends places of amusement and recreation. He is serious. He puts on his best "Sunday-go-to-meeting," lays all of his levity aside, and goes forth satisfied with himself and his surroundings having full confidence that he really is the "good Willie Boy," that he appears. He is not looking for "jokes" nor the "Nigger in the wood pile." He goes with the feeling that he is sincerely earnest. He expects to hear something from the pulpit that will help him to be a better man. He anticipates coming from church with a serene feeling of satisfaction, his heart filled with the love of God and good will toward man in his soul; content with life and with greater confidence in his fellow man.

Is that what he is getting now-a-days?

It used to be so when we went to church with mother. But since some churches in New York State have gone into politics and opened their doors to every faker that comes around the country soliciting contributions for the anti-this and anti-that league or society (but which eventually gets into the coffers of some political campaign committee) the average citizen gets mad instead of glad that he went to church. He feels that he is not particularly benefitted by going to church and hearing the men who are at the head of our state government maligned and abused by some cheap skate who does not possess enough natural ability to be able to draw a dozen listeners when his performance is honestly advertised.

The only way these fellows can get to the people is by tricking (or as Barnum would say, humbugging) them out to church to hear the gospel preached.

They usually mesmerize the good pastor into giving them the privilege of the pulpit, because some church organization, at some time, has been foolish enough to ordain them into the gospel ministry.

Once in the pulpit and the service is immediately turned into a political rally and a coarse harrangue against those with whom they do not agree politically, closing with a solicitation for funds for the "cause," which, after all, is their only object.

It would seem to us that a public hall would be a better place to discuss political issues and politics in general than the pulpit.

The churchmen might do worse than follow the example of wise business men in looking for trouble. The reason may be with themselves why people don't go to church.

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—Ralph Pissano, of Angelica, received a verdict for \$16,500 in the federal court last week. Pissano was engaged in a boxing match with cinders when a steam shovel was brought down breaking his back. The bone has been spliced by a piece taken from his shin bone, but the injury is permanent. Mr. Pissano is 54 years old.

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## Not a "Lead Pipe Cinch"

No matter how you may look at it, plumbing is not, in a manner of speaking, a "lead pipe cinch." It is far — very far — from that. You may or you may not know it, but plumbing is a most exact science.

There is just as much science used in placing new plumbing in your house as is used in placing new teeth in your head.

The fact is, in the final analysis, dentistry and plumbing are much alike.

Metals, porcelain and so forth are used in the manufacture; the hands of skilled workmen make the installations.

And good teeth and good plumbing are for the sake of health, convenience, appearance and well-being.

In this day of high-gear civilization, you can no more live well with poor plumbing and poor heating than you can live well with poor food and poor teeth.

Plumbing and heating are to a house what teeth are to the human body. They are all of that, and just a little bit more.

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