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President Taft should have waited until after the Canada election before starting on his speaking tour among heathens of the west.

The Spartanburg Street Car Company is clearly in the wrong in the quarrel with its employees, and we hope it will lose its fight.

"He that giveth to the poor lendeth to the Lord." Some zealous Christians evidently don't believe this, if we judge them by what they do for the poor.

Mayor Sain starts out well, and if he keeps up that gait his administration of the city affairs will be a great success. He can count on the support of all patriotic citizens in his efforts to give the city a good, clean, healthy government.

W. J. Bryan, under the auspices of the Nebraska democratic state committee, will spend three weeks making campaign speeches for the democratic state ticket, beginning October 5. That don't look like Bryan is politically dead in Nebraska as some newspapers claim.

The failure of the Binford woman to meet encouragement from and the refusal of a vaudeville manager to carry out his agreement to exploit the young woman who had gained an unenviable notoriety as the "woman in the case" in a celebrated trial for murder is one of the best proofs of the reality of the healthy moral sense held by people generally.

No doubt the closeness of the vote in Maine on the resubmission of the prohibitory law is unsatisfactory to both sides, but more especially to the prohibition forces because they have failed of their object. As the law will now remain a part of the constitution a short time longer its supporters should see to it that it is more vigorously enforced.

Recently both the Southern Railway and the Atlantic Coast Line Railway arbitrated threatened trouble with some of their employees, and settled the differences satisfactorily to all parties, and in this way avoided a lockout. We commend the sensible course of these great corporations to the management of the Street Car Company at Spartanburg.

The Winnipeg Tribune says "It is interesting to observe that the very nation which rejected Bryan as a candidate for the presidency is coming to regard the ideas for which he stood as desirable. Save for his fatuous advocacy of the free silver Mr. Bryan has stood for few propositions which are not coming into popular favor." Yet some so-called Democratic newspapers speak of Bryan as the wreck of the Democratic party.

The opposition to the prohibition law in Maine was not confined to the advocates of saloons but embraced many temperance men who are prohibitionists in principle, but who felt that the present law was not enforced in the larger cities and that there was no disposition to enforce it. Therefore they felt that a good county option law would be more effective. Certainly there is no evidence that the opposition to the saloon in Maine is less than it ever was.

In opposing the recall in the recent governor's convention, Governor O'Neal, of Oklahoma, spoke of "the caprice of the majority," and added that "when you establish an arbitrary recall of judges you have instituted mob law in this country." "Don't you all forget that the caprice of a majority gave you all your jobs," broke in Governor Gilchrist of Florida, in a soft southern drawl, and for the moment there was peace that followed the laugh from the two hundred men and women in the audience.

Abusing an opponent and calling him hard names are not argument. So far from being argument or giving strength to the party or cause in whose behalf they are used but prove weakness. When reforms are urged that politics may be made purer or business life more righteous those who advocate the reforms are sure to be branded as traitors, socialists, disturbers, and what not. That has always been the case and always will be, but the ultimate effect is injury to the wrongdoers and not to the cause of purity.

England is facing an industrial revolution, which is simply a reasonable demand for a reasonable wage. It is the plea of the laborer for a more equitable arrangement between master and men. They have seen the nobility and capitalists reveling in wealth, enjoying every luxury, and, with few exceptions, indifferent to the wants of the masses have been receiving, especially in some industries, a mere pittance each week scarcely sufficient to hold body and soul together. The edict has gone forth that such an intolerable condition must cease.

Hold for Better Prices.

The fight of the farmers to get a fair price for his cotton should be made the fight of every one who is interested in the prosperity of the South. It is not strange, then, that so many prominent men are ready and willing to help the farmer in his fight. Governor Hoke Smith wants the farmers of Georgia to hold back their cotton and market it gradually not sacrificing by flooding the market this early in the season. He figures that every cent per pound added to the price of cotton means \$60,000,000 to the South.

To help the Farmers' Union in its campaign of education, wherein several speakers will be put in the field to explain to the farmers the advantage of holding their cotton for a 15 cents market, Governor Smith gave his check for \$100 to John T. McDaniel, secretary of the Georgia Farmers' Union. Mr. McDaniel called on the governor to thank him for a letter written to Governor O'Neal, of Alabama, on the occasion of the cotton congress last week, wherein he pointed out the necessity of holding the cotton crop and marketing it gradually.

In expressing his views on the cotton situation, Governor Smith said he believed that all the citizens will be benefited by the farmers not sacrificing their cotton, and as he very cordially approved the work of the Farmers' Union in this regard, he was glad to contribute a little towards the expense of their campaign. He said he felt that the work the farmers were doing is for the benefit of all of us and not simply for themselves and he had not a doubt that cotton is worth more than the present price it is bringing.

What Smith says applies to all in every part of the South. He says, "I am confident that while the crop will be a good one, the present price is fixed in Liverpool on the basis that the present crop is a bumper crop. I heard men in New York during the past ten days admit that the present price was fixed upon the idea that the crop would run to over fourteen million bales. I can understand how this mistake has been made. Sixty days ago it looked like the biggest crop the South has ever had. I have no doubt that cotton in Georgia went off 25 per cent. since that time, and I really believe that the present price of cotton is fixed upon the idea that the amount raised will be from 20 to 30 per cent. above the actual crop.

"If it was today conceded that the crop would not exceed thirteen million bales, cotton would be selling at fourteen cents, I never felt more certain that cotton will sell higher later on. I would like to see the farmers receive when they sell its full value, and even outside of farmers I would like to see our state and our section receive its full value. A loss of one per cent per pound means \$60,000,000 loss to the South. I am sure it is selling several cents per pound less than it is worth. Two cents per pound more even would mean \$120,000,000 to the South. I hate to see our section lose the money."

The Boy and His Opinions.

In the Woman's Home Companion for September a writer on "The Boy and His Opinions" reports a case that contains valuable lessons for both boys and mothers. "My son," a mother said, with, perhaps a note of amused irritation in her voice, to the spruce college-boy, who had questioned the wisdom of one of her actions, "you must understand once for all that I do not wish to have you criticize me on any subject whatsoever."

The lad opened wide his eyes, and asked, "do you mean I am never to tell you when you do a thing I think isn't right." "I mean just that," replied the mother. "For a number of years I have conducted my affairs with tolerable success without the benefit of your criticism, and I have faith to believe I can keep on doing it. Of course, you will criticize me in your own mind; that is quite natural and I take it for granted; but I don't wish to hear your criticism unless I ask for it."

Of course the boy did not like it, but he respected his mother too much to show any evidence of that fact. The writer in the Woman's Home Companion says he admired the mother for having given the boy the advice she did, and goes on to say that no essential part of teaching a boy to think for himself is served by permitting him to find fault with his parents. As the mother said he is likely to criticize mentally; the conduct and demeanor of his parents, to look down upon their beliefs and theories and flatter himself he could manage most of their affairs far better than they themselves do.

All this is in a way a part of the boy's training in learning to think and act for himself, and the fact that he will probably discard most of his experimental theories, which his parents had tested and thrown aside in their younger days, and come around eventually to the codes of his father and mother, does not make the educational value of the earlier process any less. But there is no gain for him in the public expression of his adverse opinions, and the self-control involved in their repression is good for his soul.

In all other lines, however, encourage your children to air their views. Perhaps this might not be so desirable if they were likely not to be your views as well as his. But the wandering seeds of opinion to which I have already referred will grow in the soil you have cultivated and you will be able to advise him which are weeds to be rooted out, and which are useful growths to be tended and fostered. Remember that some day your boys and girls will have to do all their own thinking.

Trying to Mend His Fences.

President Taft is now out West on a political junket trying to mend his fences and induce the Insurgent Republicans to return to the fold. No

one, whatever his politics, will begrudge him a good time in his swing around the circle. Party loyalty is not usually allowed to conflict with that good humor and sense of fairness so characteristic of Americans and therefore however divergent may be the views as to the policy of such a trip and the results to flow from it the President will invariably meet with courtesy and respect and be followed with the best wishes for all the personal enjoyment he can get out of his long itinerary.

Whether it is or is not the wisest course for a president to engage in what is virtually a campaign for renomination, will, of course, be variously estimated. But anyway it seems now to be the fashion, and for that matter many, if not most of the presidents, have at some time during their term of office traveled extensively to meet the people and justify their own administration.

It is difficult to judge as to the value of such itineraries because so much depends upon the personality of those who make them and of the political conditions at the time they are made.

With President Taft the uncertainty is all the greater because of the very peculiar conditions existing in both great political parties and the fact that the greater part of his journey will be through "the enemy's" country. It will require great tact and wisdom under such circumstances to avoid making some fatal mistake of speech or act. Of course Mr. Taft's supporters will hope that this may be avoided and that great benefit may result to him and his cause. As for his opponents their wishes will naturally be of an opposite character. But all that feeling is political only and apart from that all citizens will join in wishing the first citizen of the country a pleasant and safe journey.

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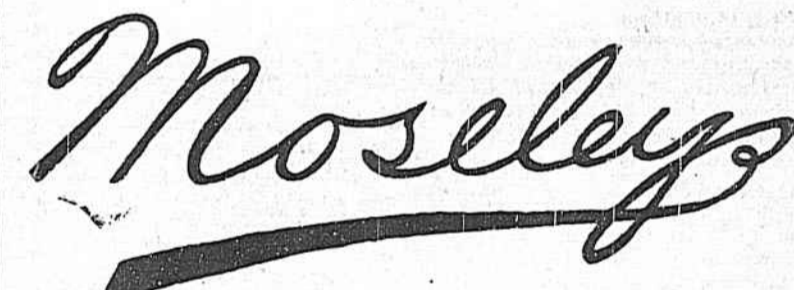
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