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## Duties of Citizenship.

Durham Daily Sun.

The size and rapid growth of the United States has added immeasurably to the complications that the government has faced and must face. None of the advocates of democracy from the time of Plato to the father of the American republic contemplated that the principles of democracy should be applied to a nation of ninety millions of people, scattered over half a continent and grouped in cities containing up to four or five million inhabitants.

In the past—that is previous to the nineteenth century—it was held that a democratic form of government could succeed, succeed only in a small community. Montaigne, a noted philosopher writing about the year 1715, said: "It is natural for a republic to have only a small territory, otherwise it cannot long subsist. In an extensive republic there are men of large fortunes, and, consequently, of less moderation. The public good is sacrificed to a thousand private views; it is subordinate to exception and depends on accidents. This could not have been better written if it had been done a few weeks instead of two hundred years ago."

In large democracies the individual becomes lost in the mass. Feeling that his duties are of no consequence, he relinquishes them altogether. Government, except in a restricted sense, passes out of his hands. If it becomes a failure, more or less, he blames others for it.

The success of good government in every community, large or small, in its last analysis depends upon individual effort. If public duties are neglected by large numbers, or passed over to others, the State or the community is likely to suffer. Wherever this individual neglect has crept in the result has been the same. Listen to Demosthenes. Speaking to the Athenians of their duties to the State he said:

"If you get rid, all of you, of the spirit of evasion; if each man will show himself ready to act whenever duty calls him and he can possibly render service to the state; if you are willing to depend upon no one but yourselves, and will give up, each of you, hoping that he may remain idle while his neighbor does everything for him, then, I say, you will come to your own; if God will, you can recover once again the position which four past indolence has thrown away."

This simple counsel of Demosthenes, though given twenty-three hundred years ago, cannot be improved today. It applies to the American of today no less than to the Athenians of the day it was spoken. Get rid of the spirit of evasion in public duties. Do not wait for the other fellow to go forward and take the steps necessary for the welfare of the community. Insist yourself that honesty and efficiency and decency are as important in public as in private life. If we would go forward—intellectually, morally, materially—we must get rid of the spirit of evasion. Waiting for the other fellow to do it never built a city or corrected an abuse.

## That Cold Needs Attention

No use to fuss and try to wear it out. It will wear you out instead. Take Dr. King's New Discovery, relief follows quickly. It checks your cold and soothes your cough away. Pleasant, non-narcotic and healing. Children like it. Get a 50 cent bottle of King's New Discovery and keep it in the house. "Our family Cough and Cold Doctor," writes Louis Chamblin, Manchester, Ohio. Money back if not satisfied, but it nearly always helps.

## "ARMED PEACE."

Asheville Citizen.

The nations of the world that are not concerned in Europe's war will doubtless join in the prayer of Hon. James Bryce, the former ambassador, when he asks to be delivered from another "armed peace." However, it is hardly likely that when the present war is over the nations now fighting will clamor for a return to that expensive armament which instead of insuring peace has always promised war. In fact, man kind the world over has had enough of the king-made quarrels and wars, and there is every indication that human decency will eventually rise above royal degradation. In this connection The New York World well says:

"If at the end of this war the nations return to the condition of armed peace that previously prevailed, another war of similar character and consequences is as inevitable as the rising of the sun. There can be no final settlement of the armed peace now before the court of cannon which does not decide that every peasant, every workman, every artisan, is not to be sentenced to a form of penal servitude which condemns him to carry a soldier on his back for the length of his natural life."

"This is not to say that the nations are going to disarm completely, but it is to say that this former doctrine of armed peace cannot again be imposed upon mankind without inviting a repetition of the world tragedy that now shocks and rocks civilization. Even had it been possible to escape war, the competition of armaments under an armed peace would soon have left the nations bankrupt and the people in a state of revolution."

"The money for armies and navies has to be earned by men who work with their hands, and at the rate of increase in competitive armament during the last twenty years, the men who work with their hands could not indefinitely pay the price."

"A peace that does not settle this stupendous question is not a peace. It is only a truce. Another generation would have to finish the work that this generation proved incompetent to carry to a conclusion. Whatever the horrors of this war may be, whatever the cost in life and treasure, none of it will have been in vain if the world is delivered from another armed peace and mankind is emancipated from militarism. On no other terms can civilization re-establish itself."

The peace that follows the close of the present war must be an everlasting peace, and such a condition can be born only of the realization that quarrels between nations, as between individuals, must be settled by arbitration and ruled by sober judgment and common sense. It is folly to suppose that a return to the mania for armaments on the part of the European powers (should there be any left) will go any further in the future than have such policies in the past.

## DISTRESS IN THE STOMACH.

There are many people who have a distress in the stomach after meals. It is due to indigestion and easily remedied by taking one of Chamberlain's Tablets after meals. Mrs. Henry Padgham, Victor, N. Y., writes: "For some time I was troubled with headache and distress in my stomach after eating, also with constipation. About six months ago I began to take Chamberlain's Tablets. They regulated the action of my bowels and the headache and other annoyances ceased in a short time. Obtainable everywhere."

## GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

As the result of hard rains recently, the Neuse river has been at its highest stage for years.

Wm. McGrathen, a manufacturer of gloves, died at Winchester, Va. on last Wednesday.

Hog and hominy is the slogan for this year says The Morganton Messenger.

On the 20th inst. six men and one woman took the examination for optometrists, at Raleigh.

A hotel is to be erected in Col. at an elevation of 12,000 feet, the highest hotel in the U. S.

Gabriel J. Bonery, who recently died in Wilmington, left \$20,000 with which to build a Confederate monument, the same to be erected in Wilmington.

The German cruiser, Bluecher, was sunk in the North Sea, on last Sunday in an engagement with the British. Fifty of the survivors have been landed at Leith.

A bill has been introduced in the Legislature, to allow the railroad to give ministers of the Gospel free transportation.

The Lenoir News says that 38 illicit distilleries were destroyed in the five Congressional districts N. C. during the month of Dec.

The bill to allow Alexander county to vote on a \$150,000 bond issue for good roads has passed both houses of the Legislature.

And now the question very naturally arises, how are we to address these female notary publics made possible by the present legislature? Will 'quire do?

The administrators of Pal. M. Hunt, of Greensboro, have been awarded \$15,000 on account of the death of Mr. Hunt, at a railroad crossing last June.

Two post offices in Gaston Co., at Lowell and McAdenville, were robbed at an early hour on the morning of the 23. There is no clue to the identity of the robbers.

Howard A. Banks has been sent by Sec. Daniels to superintend the installation of the navy exhibition at the Panama Exposition.

Squire Harvey Garrison, the oldest citizen of Mecklenburg Co., celebrated his 102 birth-day the 24 inst. He lives nine miles north of Charlotte. He was born in 1813.

H. H. Woods, a telegraph operator at Butler, Penn. shot and killed his wife and three children and then killed himself on the 24th inst., says a dispatch to the News and Observer.

In Arizona widowers over 60 years old, with children and unable to make a living are to get a pension of \$15.00 a month, and six dollars for each child, under the terms of a pension bill passed on the 23rd inst. by the Arizona Legislature.

An experimental well has been sunk at Wilmington, N. C., to determine whether or not the city can be supplied with an adequate supply of water. The test has proved that it has a capacity of two million gallons of water every twenty-four hours.

The Cape Fear Lath and Shingle Co., with offices in Wilmington, has announced that early in February a chain of mills will be put in operation in Duplin, Bladen, Pender and Swain counties for the manufacture of lathes and shingles and lumber from gum, cypress and pine. The Company will ask for a charter.

## Hints to Patrons on Rural Routes.

The following valuable hints to patrons of rural routes appeared in the Manhattan, Kansas, Daily National of Dec. 11.

"Patrons can help the their carrier, and by so doing help improve the service on rural routes."

"First—Purchase stamps and envelopes and have all mail ready to dispatch. Stamp your letters and cards before depositing them in your mail box, and especially do this for your carrier in bad weather. Did you ever think how cold it would be for the rural carrier to take off his wraps and gloves and pick small coins out of your mail box? The law does not require carriers to take pennies from box. He carries for the patrons a supply of stamps, cards and stamped envelopes, so that the patrons may buy in sufficient quantities to enable them to stamp all mail before it is left in the box."

"Second—Is your box well located? It should be set away from the fence on a solid post, and about four feet above the ground; in a position that the carrier may drive very close to it and easily reach same without unwrapping."

"Third—Has your box a sign on it? If it has not, and there should happen to be no mail for you some day, then your outgoing mail is most likely to be left in the box, as carriers are instructed to look for mail only in the boxes where the sign is shown of outgoing mail. Any simple sign that is easily seen when displayed is all that is necessary."

"Fourth—If you have any friends visiting you and they want their mail to come to your box, you should mention it to the carrier and he will watch for same at postoffice, should it not come addressed in your care. Visitors mail most often comes without special address."

"Fifth—Do you receive any parcel post packages? Some kind of a large box placed at a convenient position, though it sits on the ground will be better than for your carrier to place packages on the snow or dampened ground. You do not want your package lost, but have you provided for it?"

Sixth—Bad road conditions are a great drawback to rural delivery. All patrons should insist on township officers keeping road over which carriers travel in best possible condition. You travel over the same road, and aside from helping your carrier deliver your mail earlier and more promptly, you have the satisfaction of traveling over a smooth, well kept road."

"When the snow drifts around your box, see that it is cleared away and the road opened to your box by the time your carrier comes. Remember, the Post Office Department does not require him to get to a box. The carrier is not supposed to venture into snow-drifts or mud."

These are only a few of the ways you can assist in prompt delivery of your mail. Your carrier will appreciate all courtesies and will do his best to always return good for good."

## Bad Cold Quickly Broken Up.

Mrs. Martha Wilcox, Gowanda, New York, writes: "I first used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy about eight years ago. At that time I had a hard cold and coughed most of the time. It proved to be just what I needed. It broke up the cold in a few days and the cough entirely disappeared. I have told many of my friends of the good I received through using this medicine, and all who have used it speak of it in the highest terms." Obtainable everywhere.

## New Papers Are Hit.

Charlotte News.

The war has borne down heavily upon the newspapers of the country. Almost every article entering into the production of a newspaper has increased in value since war was declared. Paper has advanced in price, and other articles have kept pace.

And in addition to this, newspapers like other lines of business had to meet the increase cost of operation while at the same time facing a sharp slump in collections. It has been a problem with many of existence and we notice that various papers are adopting drastic policies to meet the situation.

The four afternoon paper of San Francisco which formerly sold at a penny an issue have doubled the price assigning as reason for so doing the increased cost operation.

In our own territory a number of papers have been forced to take certain steps in a like direction. One afternoon daily, which formerly got full lease wire Associated Press reports has dropped the full service, we understand. A semi-weekly here has gone back to weekly publication, while numbers of papers both morning and afternoon have dropped from their customary twelve to fourteen pages daily down to ten, and in many cases eight and six.

The average newspaper has not found the war conducive to its business vigor.

## Apply Sloans Freely For Lumbago.

Your attacks of Lumbago are not nearly so hopeless as they seem. You can relieve them almost instantly by a simple application of Sloan's Liniment on the back and loins. Lumbago is a form of rheumatism, and yields readily to Sloan's, which penetrates quickly all in through the sore, tender muscles, limbers up the back and makes it feel fine. Get a bottle of Sloan's Liniment for 25 cents of any drugist and have it in the house—against colds, sore and swollen joints, rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica and like ailments. Your money back if not satisfied, but it does give almost instant relief.

On the 26th the isthmus of Panama was shaken by an earth quake. No damage was done.

## Women of Sedentary Habits.

Women who get but little exercise are likely to be troubled with constipation and indigestion and will find Chamberlain's Tablets highly beneficial. Not so good as a three or four mile walk every day, but very much better than to allow the bowels to remain in a constipated condition. They are easy and pleasant to take and most agreeable in effect. Obtainable everywhere.

Food for reflection might sometime be improved, if it were subjected to the pure food law.

## Take it In Time.

Just as Scores of Boone people have.

Waiting doesn't pay. If you neglect kidney backache, urinary troubles often follow. Act in time by curing the kidneys. Doan's Kidney pills are especially for weakened kidneys. Many people in this locality recommend them.

"B. E. Caudill, farmer at Laurel Springs, N. C. says: 'For five years I was a victim of kidney complaints. My back pained me so severely that in the morning I was scarcely able to get out of bed. I suffered from headaches and dizzy spells and at times there was a blurring of my sight. The kidney secretions were too frequent in passage and I was obliged to get up during the night. I finally learned of Doan's Kidney Pills and began using them as directed. They helped me from the first and I continued taking them until I was benefited in every way.' Price 50c at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Caudill had. Foster-McBure Co., Props. Buffalo, N. Y."

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