

A VARIETY OF THINGS

BY AL FAIRBROTHER

This morning I am in a hilarious mood. Not that I should be, but last night I saw the glorious climate of California receive what lacked little of being a solar-plexus blow.

Against the press and against The Observer in particular, because there is no telling what might happen. The could have boldly maintained my military title of which The Observer ruthlessly divested me.

There are many Californians who maintain that the Japanese question in its present alleged acute stage is simply a personal fight between Senator Perkins and President Roosevelt.

Human nature is a queer old girl. This has been observed before by philosophers of all ages and some people who were not philosophers have been constrained to make the same remark.

On every corner, in every city and little town the slot machine still flourishes and is not disturbed. In North Carolina the slot machine and slot machines were all taken out a year or so ago—but here the machine pays about 10 or 15 per cent.

After dinner the client came bustling into his office, and pulling from his pocket a roll of money, the stacks on which were hundred dollar bills, he wet his fingers and counted off three of them and looked up to the judge, asking:

"Oh, fifteen or fifty?"

The judge looked at the roll—thought rapidly, and in an incidental and inconsequential way said:

"Feel off another one!"

Speaking of the long rains here as administered by Jupiter Pluvius, it may be of interest to some of the younger readers of The Observer to learn that Jupiter Pluvius is a native of North Carolina.

I have a little bone to pick this morning with the Observer. I am a question of personal privilege. When I left North Carolina, or a few days before I left, The Observer in making an announcement of my departure said in as many words that I was not a colonel.

Of course it all depends on how we feel about it, but sometimes when the Legislature does tremendous stunts before high heaven the conservative man, the fellow who is not fond of fire and stuffed clubs in legislative halls, naturally concludes that some law-makers are lacking in wisdom.

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times a lot of blockheads—but when the red fire is burning brightly,—when the red fire is burning brightly,—when the red fire is burning brightly,—

Footpads—desperate ones who use the blackjack and the lead pipe—are so thick in San Francisco that people venturing out at night leave their feet at home through fear that they might lose them.

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991—REVERSED HIDDEN BALL GAMES. (In each couplet is the name of a ball game, hidden and reversed.)

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1. Camels. (Isa. 30:6). 4. Horses. leopards. (Hab. 1:3). 5. Sheep. (Ps. 119:176). 6. Embers. (Jer. 2:2). 7. Conies. (Prov. 30:26). 8. Foxes. (Judges 15:6). 9. Goats. (Ps. 104:18). 10. Hart. (Isa. 35:6). 11. Dog. (Sam. 17:43). 12. Dragon. (Jer. 51:34). 13. Lion. (Job 19:14). 14. Bear. (Ps. 92:10). 15. Apes. peacocks. (Chon. 2:21). 16. Mice. (1 Sam. 5:5). 17. Hiss. (2 Sam. 2:13). 18. Wolf. (Hab. 1:8). 19. Bears. (Isa. 59:11). 20. Cattle. (Ps. 50:10). 285—A sewing machine. 286—1. Snipe. 2. Pigeon. 3. Egret. 4. Pevrit. 5. Partridge. 6. Thrasher. 7. Sparrow. 8. Pheasant. 9. Pheasant. 10. Lynx. links. 11. Bustard. rubies, buries, brutes. 12. Saw-horse.

PANAMA CANAL PLANS.

Gatun Dam No More Impracticable Than One at Gamboa. Washington correspondence New York Tribune.

There will be no change in the plan of the Panama canal. It will be completed according to the lock plan, within six years and possibly in less time.

The cost of a sea-level canal would be something over 50 per cent more than the lock type. The engineering difficulties in the way of a sea-level canal, chief of which would be the construction of a dam 170 feet high, to control the Chagres river, as opposed to the Gatun dam, which will be only eighty-five feet high, will, in the opinion of all who have seriously investigated conditions in the Canal Zone, prevent any change from the lock plan.

The engineers regard as almost too obvious for explanation the proposition that the Chagres dam, which would be made necessary by the adoption of the sea-level plan, would be as much more difficult to construct with safety as the proportion of 170 to 85, although the only one may need to be reminded that only the height of a body of water controls the pressure of the dam with which it is sought to restrain it.

The argument that an earthquake may destroy the Gatun dam or other works of the lock type, while not regarded as particularly forceful by the engineers, the times, it is pointed out by them, of increased force when applied to a sea-level canal which would involve the construction of a masonry dam 170 feet high.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE. Victory for Feminists in the Swedish Legislature. The favorable vote of the Swedish Diet on women suffrage, by 120 to 93 in the lower, is much the greatest victory the movement has gained.

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