

...Anecdotes of a Great Soldier.

Lord Wolsley, commander of the English army, and General W. Sherman, have said that had general Nathan Bedford Forrest not been the greatest figure of the civil war. After reading the biography of the celebrated Confederate cavalry leader, which has been written by Dr. John A. ...

Ingersoll's Eloquence.

One of the most remarkable products of Ingersoll's pen was his essay on Life, a piece of prose-poetry, in which he follows human life from the cradle to the grave. It is as follows: "Born of love and hope, of ecstasy and pain, of agony and fear, of tears and joys—dowered with the wealth of two united hearts—held in happy arms, with lips upon life's drifted font, blue-veined and fair, where perfect peace finds perfect form—rocked by willing feet and wooed to shadowy shores of sleep by siren mother singing soft and low—looking with wonders wide and startled eyes at common things of light and day—taught by want and wish and contact with the things that touch the dimpled flesh of babes—lured by light and flame and charmed by color's wondrous robes—learning the use of hands and feet, and by the love of mimicry beguiled to utter speech—releasing prisoned thoughts from crabbed and curious marks on soiled and tattered leaves—puzzling the brain with crooked numbers and their changing, tangled worth—and so through years of altering day and night, until the captive grows familiar with the chains and walls and limitations of a life. "And time runs on in sun and shade, until the one of all the world is wooed and won, and all the lore of love is taught and learned again. Again a home is built with the fair chamber wherein faint dreams, like cool and shadowy vales, divide the billowed hours of love. Again the miracle of birth—the pain and joy, the kiss of welcome and the cradle-song drowning the drowsy prattle of a babe. "And then the sense of obligation and of wrong—pity for those who toil and weep—tears for the imprisoned and despised—love for the generous dead, and in the heart the capture of a high resolve. "And then ambition, with its lust of pelf and place and power, longing to put upon its breast distinction's worthless badge. Then keener thoughts of men, and eyes that see behind the smiling mask of craft—flattered no more by the obsequious cringe of gain and creed—knowing the uselessness of hoarded gold—of honor bought from those who charge the usury of self-respect—of power that only bends a coward's knees and forces from the lips of fear the lies of praise. Knowing at last the unadvised gesture of esteem, the reverent eyes made rich with honest thought, and holding high above all other things—high as hope's great throbbing star above the darkness of the dead—the love of wife and child and friend. "Then locks of gray and growing love of other days and half-remembered things—then holding withered hands of those who first held his, while over dim and loving eyes death softly pressed down the lids of rest. "And so, looking in marriage vows his children's hands and crossing others on the breasts of peace, with daughters' babes upon his knees, the white hair mingling with the gold, he journeys on from day to day to that horizon where the dusk is waiting for the night. At last, sitting by the holy hearth of home as evening's embers change from red to gray, he falls asleep within the arms of her he worshipped and adored, feeling upon his palid lips love's last and holiest kiss."

Outlet for Overproduction.

International trade in the final balance is barter of goods for goods, and it cannot by any possibility be made a continuous sale of goods for gold and would be of no advantage in the end if it could be. Our commercial expansion into China will necessarily be met by China's commercial expansion into the United States. If the Chinese market be used to relieve manufacturing overproduction in the United States it must be at the expense of American agriculture, which also complains of overproduction, and if it be used to relieve agricultural overproduction in the United States, as in the case of Secretary Wilson's butter in tin cans, it will be at the expense of the American manufacturers. A more fallacious idea has never obtained currency than that a general overproduction, such as the western commercial world now complains of, can be relieved by setting new markets at work and bringing them into the general competition and crush. The problem is a far deeper one than that. —Springfield Republican.

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The Noblest Conception of God.

A correspondent asks us to tell him what is our highest conception of God. Every period of history has had a different conception of Deity, simply because men, from necessity, create God in their own image, and in every period they attribute to him the very noblest character of which they can conceive. The early Greeks made their deities precisely like themselves—that is, endowed them with the same passions, and the same attributes, but in power greatly superior to themselves. The Hebrews conceived Jehovah as their national tutelary God, who (all the time in their national capacity) rewarded them when they obeyed him and punished them when they neglected to do his will. During the Middle Ages Christendom actually put God the Father entirely into the background, and made Christ, the loving, self-sacrificing God-man, completely overshadow him. At this time, the need of the nineteenth century, it is possible to have the highest conception of God that men ever have had. It is due to this fact that hitherto men looked upon history as a record of man's errors, but now, and for the last fifty years we have discovered that it is quite otherwise—that history is nothing less than the record or man's regular and orderly evolution. Hence it seems to us that the noblest conception of God at present is that he has acted throughout history as man's guiding spirit. Whatever else God is and may be, he has been and is the Providence of human affairs—the spirit in humanity that has been leading mankind by the hand toward its destiny, until now we are able ourselves consciously to pursue our destiny. We men are truly the bodies of the living God. At the same time we have learned that humanity, past, present and to come, forms a living, social organism. Who, then, but God can be the soul, the animating spirit of this social body? And man's destiny? If we are an organism, a brotherhood here on earth, we necessarily shall pass through other worlds equally as an organism, a brotherhood.—New York Journal.

Southern to Absorb the N. & W.

A special to the Washington Post from Chattanooga, Tenn., says that the Norfolk & Western Railway will be absorbed by the Southern during the next few weeks. President Samuel Spencer, of the Southern, has been in London negotiating with the heavy foreign stockholders of the road. Several days ago it was announced that 4,000 shares of Norfolk stock had changed hands, but the name of the purchaser was not made public. This stock was scooped up by the Southern, and a further sale is about completed. Up to the past few months the Norfolk and the Southern have been bitter enemies, but they now have a close traffic agreement and are working in harmony. The Southern will be greatly strengthened by acquiring this line, for the reason that it will form with the Southern the shortest possible route to the East. The Southern now operates over its tracks from Bristol to Roanoke on its Eastern service. The main lines of the Norfolk & Western extend from Columbus, Ohio, to Hagerstown, Md., via Roanoke, and from Norfolk to Bristol.

Going Back to A. B. C.

There is a class of Republicans which believes that an act of congress can "permanently" establish the gold standard, and they are calling lustily for the new congress to pass such an act as soon as ever it meets. It seems like going back to the a b c of our government to be compelled to say that an act of congress has nothing permanent about it. Those who sigh for permanence in this matter will look for it in vain in any power that congress can exercise. One congress cannot pass any act whatever that another congress cannot undo. There is not an act of congress that is permanent. There is a degree of permanency in the constitution, but even that instrument can be changed by the will and desire of the people.—Atlanta Constitution.

During the civil war, as well as in our late war with Spain, diarrhoea was one of the most troublesome diseases the army had to contend with. In many instances it became chronic and the old soldiers still suffer from it. Mr. David Taylor, of Wind Ridge, Greene county, Pa., is one of these. He uses Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and says he never found anything that would give him such quick relief. It is for sale by C. E. Holton, Druggist.

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