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IMPENDING CHANGES IN THE TAFT ADMINISTRATION.

Baltimore Sun. Signs point to a radical change in the administration of President Taft, and the indications are that this will take place in the near future. The surprise is not that these changes are to come, but that they were not made long ago. Mr. Taft entered office under the happiest auspices. He was handicapped to some extent by immediately succeeding so popular and forceful an executive as Mr. Roosevelt, but he was immensely aided by having the cordial support of his predecessor and inheriting a portion of Mr. Roosevelt's popularity. His Cabinet was made up largely of men unknown to the general public. Mr. Knox had rendered able service as Attorney-General and Senator; Mr. Meyer had been a fairly successful Postmaster-General and before that an Ambassador, while Frank H. Hitchcock was known as a shrewd but not over-scrupulous politician. But Mr. Ballinger, Mr. Wickersham, Mr. Dickinson, Mr. MacVeagh and Mr. Nagel were comparatively unknown men. After a year in office Mr. Ballinger and one or two other members of the Cabinet are only too well known to the country.

The policy of the new Secretary of the Interior in reversing at once the policies of Roosevelt and Garfield created a bad impression at the start. The joyous return to favor of many

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THE MINORITY REPORT.

Washington, Aug. 15.—The tariff, trusts, combines and monopolies, and an increased money supply, are the three substantial causes for the advance in prices in the United States, according to Senators Johnston of Alabama, Clarke of Arkansas, and Smith of South Carolina, minority members of the select Senate committee, appointed during the last session of Congress to investigate and make a report on wages and the price of commodities. Vigorous attack is made in the minority members' report on almost all the reasons given by the majority in its report, submitted some time ago, as to the cause for the advance in prices. "We are without sufficient data," say the minority members in their report just completed, "to apportion the degree of responsibility between these three causes, but that the two first are the chief malefactors we have no doubt; and they are of our own creation or permission." After attacking, one at a time, the fifteen principal causes contributing, according to the majority report to the high cost of living, the minority took up the Payne-Aldrich bill when the Payne-Aldrich bill was framed, "champaigne wasup on the schedules at from 54 to 66 per cent, whilst wearing apparel was taxed from 80 to 92 per cent—drinking champagne was to be encouraged and wearing woolen clothes discouraged. "So with hats," they add, "those bringing not over \$4.50 per dozen were taxed 77 per cent and those valued at more than \$18 per dozen 47 per cent."

The result of protection, they declare, is "great fortunes for the few and great suffering for the many. We believe," they say, "that the amount of the tariff is added to the price and taxed to the consumer; that for the tariff the commodities we buy upon which that tax is laid would be cheaper, approximately to the extent of the tariff; and that when we do not buy the imported article the protected manufacturer puts approximately the amount of it on the goods produced by him."

These changes have been forced upon the President by the popular revolt against Cannon and Aldrich as leaders and the retention of Ballinger in the Cabinet. We are in the midst of an important campaign for the House of Representatives. If the Republicans lose the House, Mr. Taft can hardly recover the ground lost and make his administration a success. The sharp and continuous attacks of the Insurgents have had their effect. Mr. Taft probably realizes at last his mistake in arraying his administration against the progressive element of his party. The question now is whether his change in policy will come in time to save his party from defeat. Confidence once impaired is not to be speedily regained.

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SATAN AND THE "SMART SET."

Baltimore Sun. The exposure of the gambling den in a fashionable club at Narragansett Pier is another illustration of the truth of the saying of the good Dr. Watts, that "Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do." The curse of the ultra-fashionable rich people of this land is idleness. The young men and women of this set have nothing serious to think about. They are spenders. They spend the money their fathers have left them without taking any thought as to whether it is well spent. And what is more serious, they are spending their lives and getting nothing in return that is worth getting. Pleasures pall upon them and they are ever seeking something new—something that will give them a new sensation. All their pleasures are of the material kind. Intellectual pleasures, the only ones that are real and abiding, are beyond them. In a quest for excitement which will serve to kill time—time that will shortly kill them—gambling is most alluring and dangerous, and it appears that it attracts into its fatal infatuation the fashionable woman as well as the idle men. The forefathers of the men and women who were found in the Narragansett gambling place last Sunday were doubtless sober and God fearing people, who went to church on Sundays and worked during the week to accumulate the wealth that their children are misusing. Fortunately the number of these people whose "imaginations are darkened" is comparatively small and their power for evil is limited because of their lack of influence. It cannot be doubted that the great body of the American people love righteousness and respect those who do that which is right. The first step toward the reform of the "smart set" is to find employment for them. As long as they are idle satan will provide them mischief. Dr. Watts had a rather keen insight into human nature.

Depew's Hero of the War. Washington Star. Among Senator Depew's stories there is one about a veteran on a street car.

This veteran, in all the penoply of his blue uniform, brass buttons and white cotton gloves, was on his way to a Fourth of July picnic on the outskirts of the village. A stranger boarded the car, and the veteran, leaning across his wife, engaged the man in conversation.

The talk soon turned to warfare, and the veteran said: "Yer sir, I've seen fightin'. I got this gash across the cheek at Chickamauga. My stiff leg, by gosh, comes from a ball in the knee—Chancellorsville. This thumb nail here was shot off at Gettysburg. I lost the tip of my ear at Spottsylvania."

"Dear me," said the stranger, "how interesting! You have, indeed, sir, had marvelous escapes. Where did you get that long, deep, murderous dent down the side of your nose? A cavalry charge had to hand engagement, eh?"

The veteran frowned and ignored the question. He began to talk about the heat. But his wife interrupted. "Go on, Bill," she said impatiently. "Tell the gentleman how you got the dent in your nose?"

"You shut up, Hannah," said the veteran. "I won't nuther," said the old woman. "Forit just about riles the skin off me to hear you braggin' and braggin, about the marks you got in the war, whilst you won't never open your head about the finest and most noticeable mark of all—the one I gave you with the fire shovel."

Eleven Hundred Dead in Floods. Tokio, Aug. 15.—Eleven hundred persons are reported dead and more than 6,000 homeless and starving as the result of the floods. Though the situation today appeared somewhat better at times, the waters fluctuated, and reports from the upper parts of the Sumida indicated that the crisis were not yet passed for Tokio. The situation in the outlying regions is desperate, according to the reports furnished by the military expeditions sent out to succor the victims.

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COTTONSEED MEAL AS HUMAN FOOD.

By Dr. G. S. Fraps, State Chemist. In the last few months, the attention of the public has been directed with considerable interest toward the use of cottonseed meal as a human food. The interest in this matter is wide spread, covering the entire country. I recently had the honor of presenting a paper before the Texas Cottonseed Crushers' Association, and what impressed me most there was not so much the interest displayed, or the exhibits of cottonseed food products, but the fact that so many of these men were using, and had been using cottonseed meal as a portion of their own diet, and that of their families. I believe that there are hundreds of people in this country who are now eating cottonseed meal. There are not only men directly interested in the industry, but also men in no wise connected with it. Another thing impressed me, and that was the statement by two or three users, that the children were very fond of cottonseed breads.

Consideration of the chemical composition of cottonseed meal shows as the part it should play in human nutrition. There are two great groups of nutrients in food. One group provides the material for the building and repair of muscle, blood, tissue, and the organs of the animal body. They are known as proteins, and may be considered structural material. The other group of nutrients provides the energy which runs the animal organs. It furnishes heat and power, fats, carbohydrates, etc., belong to this group.

Now, the human body requires a certain amount for power every day. A growing animal requires more for proteins than one which is entirely grown, because it must not only repair its waste, but it must also grow. Now, cottonseed meal is richer in proteins, but poor in carbohydrates. It does not belong in the same class with ordinary flour, and must not be eaten in the same way. It belongs with meat. But cottonseed meal is richer than meat. A mixture of equal parts cottonseed meal and flour has the two groups of nutrients in about the same proportion as ordinary beef, and might be called vegetable meat.

Cottonseed meal, therefore, should not take the place of flour or corn meal or similar foods in your diet, but it should take the place of meat, or supplement a diet poor in proteins. It is more valuable than flour. Cottonseed meal is a rich food, and too much should not be eaten. For this reason, I would advise that it always be used in with flour or corn meal, with at least three parts of flour or meal to one part cottonseed meal.

Some of you may be afraid of cottonseed meal because it has been known to injure hogs. But there are people who have been using cottonseed meal for months, and state that they have never been able to detect any injurious effect. On the other hand, a person told me that the use of cottonseed meal restored him to health. Of course a rich food, like cottonseed meal, or fruit cake, if eaten in excess, may make any one sick. There are also personal peculiarities concerning foods. Some people cannot drink milk, some cannot eat eggs, some are injured by it or that, which are harmless to ordinary folks.

I cannot go into full details concerning this matter in the limited time assigned to me. If there are any specific points on which you desire more information, I will endeavor to answer to questions as far as I can. The Texas Experiment Station has issued a bulletin on this subject, which can be secured free of charge by any one that desires it.

In conclusion let me say that the use of cottonseed meal as a human food is not a fad, of a freak, or a matter of interest for a day. There is a place for it as a human food, and it will find its place in the time to come. The years may be few, but we may look forward to the use of cottonseed meal as a human food in the time to come. The experience of years must decide exactly what part cottonseed meal shall play in human nutrition, but it will find its place.

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" 'TIS BETTER TO HAVE LOVED AND LOST THAN NEVER TO HAVE LOVED AT ALL."

[BY CHARLES WESLEY POPLIN.] Lo! the golden summer of life is swiftly passing on! Soon these scenes of sin and strife Will surely all be gone. Just as the flowers are plucked by frost, Hearts sometimes have a love to lose, But 'tis better to have loved and lost Than never to have loved at all. Away back on the sands of time, I see a spot so bright— Oh! could I but turn on time's air line And end this endless night! But, though my heart must die, My leaves do not drop in the fall. 'Tis better, far, to have loved and lost Than never to have loved at all.

Oh! the image of that lost love Abides through life's summer and fall; Naught can remove it from my soul While I inhabit the terrestrial ball. My sad heart pines for the lovethat's lost, The love that was dearer than all; 'Tis better, though, to have loved and lost Than never to have loved at all.

Lo! the summer of life's young dream, The flowers of spring time's lore, Are like a fading, fleeting stream, Swiftly going to come no more. Farewell, that love, that happy past; The future looks dark and small; 'Tis better, yet, to have loved and lost Than never to have loved at all.

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