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THE MAINSPRING OF VITAL FORCE.

What insignificant things often touch the mainspring of vital action, and put in motion tremendous forces, forces that shake a nation, a continent. A little bird alighting on the edge of a cliff dislodges a pebble, and it starts down a mountain side, gathering momentum and force as it speeds on its way until it becomes a roaring avalanche sweeping towns and cities from its path.

General Barras of France speaks to the young Corsican, and said "Quell the Section," in Paris, and lo the greatest military genius the world has ever known was born, a Harpy, a moloeh a Belial sweeps Europe with fire brand and sword, and blood runs in rivers, and ruin, and desolation marks his pathway from Toulon to Waterloo, and there was no rest until Napoleon slept beneath a willow on the Island of St. Helena.

Some merchants gathered at Boston harbor chafing under seeming wrongs, tossed overboard a few cases of tea, and thus the tocsin of war was echoed from the black forest of Maine to the bay of Mobile, and the red tide of battle ebbed and flowed until a Washington gave to us a new nation.

A cannon was fired at Fort Sumter, practically harmless in its effect, but its echo awoke a nation to life, and the Southern Confederacy stepped forth with shield, and helmet fully panoplied for war. Amidst a forest of glittering sabres and flashing bayonets an heroic struggle began. In the volcanic thunder of guns the world awe struck breathless, and aghast, saw a four years superhuman struggle, stupendous, marvelous, inconceivable, while millions of the best and bravest sank in the bloody mire of battle. Monuments dot this land marking the graves of the heroic dead.

Miss Ida Tarbell writes, and the world reads in the magazines of a John D. Rockefeller, and lo this colossus of midas is striped of the tinsel trappings of honor, and reverence that money had clothed him with, and he stands naked, a veritable prince of evil, a mephistophole of selfishness and greed, and object of hate and loathing.

Upton St Clair writes a little book, and at once there arose a horrid stretch from the shambles the slaughter houses, and abattoirs of Chicago, Kansas City and St. Joe. The nation was sickened and nauseated and a billion pounds of beef was dumped in to the fertilizer vats unfit for human food.

William Jennings Bryan formulated his political creed at Chicagos National Democratic convention in his crucifixion, his crown of gold placed upon the bleeding brow of labor, and lo the sorcery of a 16 to 1 began its incantation of evil for the Democratic party until its runes a phylacterys wove a witchery over the principals and purposes of a lofty dispensation of human rights, and for ten years the party wandered out a senseless, a listless and leaderless mass of inertia. And after the Republican party drunk with power, reeling under the weight of plunder pilfered from the people, under the guise of protection, had been damned, and the people were restless for an opportunity to destroy it, this

same William Jennings Bryan assumed a dictatorship at the late convention at Baltimore, after utterly failing to split the party in to faction, and naming him self for a fourth term of disaster yielded to the inevitable and drifted with a torrent of popular will he could not stem, and the great Woodrow Wilson was named as President of the United States, and yet despite all of this it is no bar to a North Carolina Legislature inviting the said W. J. B., to come down and bring his plumb line, and level, and measure up and tell them how many cubic inches there is in a square meal.

QUIBLING OVER THE QUESTION.

Some papers are quibbling over the question as to whether Georgia should hang a woman murderer, or not. Mrs. Katharin King has been sentenced to die for the murder of her husband in that State, and now sentiment says it will not do to hang a woman, it would be a disgrace, and so it is possible that she will receive a sentence in the penitentiary, to later be pardoned out by some beneficent governor.

All conditions like the crime of murder by a woman is just as heinous as that committed by a man, and she should be hung just as quick. Because there are a few angels in this world that wear petticoats, is no reason that all are such. A woman may be much better than a man when they reach out for a high and holy level, they can attain to a superior height, and upon the contrary when they drift down they can reach a lower level. A mean woman is the meanest thing that God ever created, and a good one is the best. They can be an angel, or a devil, and when a devil nothing this side of hell can excel them.

A crime is a crime, and people are permitting frivolous sentiment to swerve them, when they condone a crime because it is a woman that commits it. But why discuss it. If it had of been Mr. King that committed the murder and Mrs. King had of been the victim, and North Carolina their home, and King had of had money sufficient to have employed able council, then sentiment would have been much against hanging of King, especially if he had had one of those imbecil jurors to have wept over the case, Diverging a bit, we would say reformation of the criminal laws of this and many other States, is a demand from the living, and a silent, but a solemn appeal from the martyred dead. Let the people arise in their power and might, and say the criminal code of North Carolina shall not longer be used as an agency to enrich unscrupulous criminal lawyers and turn loose upon the people the vilest beastly butchers. Let it stop, its a shame upon the intelligence of the people of the Old North State.

THE ALTER OF RIGHT LIVING.

Alters of marble, the most dazzling white are emblems of purity. The snow, drifting slowly, or driving fiercely from the skies, lying in wide whiteness, gleaming in the moonlight and giving back from its countless crystals sparkles of radiance, do us represents purity. Yet neither is purity. Real purity is not hard and cold like the marble, or frozen and still as the snow. It is stainless, but warm; unblemished, but living and doing.

The one pure Being this world has known, felt, He loved and suffered. He yearned as we yearn, saw the travail of His soul and groaned as we do in the sorrows that come to all of us. He knew human grief and want and ministered to it. He knew human happiness and joy and sympathized with them and sought to increase it.

The real alters, the living alters, we must build and establish within our own hearts and souls are as white and pure as the petals of the spring-time lilies, sending forth fragrance to make more delicious the wooing and awakening breath of the season. To these alters, with trembling hands and contrite hearts, and on bended knees, the best and the

worst of us may approach. We may lay on them in penitent and sincere surrender the grossness and the vileness, the selfishness and deceits—deceits of the world and of ourselves—the malice and hates and jealousies, and resentments, and lies of our lives, as our sacrifice and worship. Striving to cleanse our hearts of our greed and small ambitions, of spites and wrath against those who have offended us, of indifference to those whose sorrows demand our care, of evil thoughts and ignoble designs, we may build for ourselves our own alters within ourselves, and then worship with true christian sincerity.

CAN NOT SIN.

Henry P. Davidson a partner with J. P. Morgan says upon the witness stand that Morgan can do no wrong, Morgan can not sin. And such is the views of the infatuated worshipers of wealth, the fanatical fools who are buzzing around the gilded flame of high finance.

We do not presume that the people of Winston think that R. J. Reynolds can do wrong, nor do the people of Durham think the Dukes can do wrong and yet they all do wrong despite this blinded fool worship, by the simpering masses, whose highest conception of things in the world worth worshipping, is money.

This idea is not alone prevalent with the poor, and ignorant, but it dominates the well to do class, it dominates the laymen and the preacher. The man in the pulpit bows in abject submission, and worship to these members of the midas class, who can pay well for their religion. Its a horrible commentary upon the worlds worship of money, instead of morals, of gold instead of God. The peoples ideals of right living have been broken, and shattered to fragments, their faith in infinity clouded, and skepticism the cruel serpent of doubt is crawling upon, and besliming the pedestal where once rested the crucifix, and the crown.

A Lullaby

Lady Moon, O Lady Moon, Here's a little sleepy girlie that must go to slumber soon!

Won't you glide across the window on your shining silver wings, Won't you spare 'twixt noon and noon Just one tiny tender minute to this cot with baby in it?

Though I know you're oh, so busy with a hundred million things,

Lady Moon, O Lady Moon, Let her see the polished buckles on your gleaming silver shoon, Let her touch your diamond rings and the star dust on your wings; And should you bend above her—ah! but that would be a boon! And kiss her little rosy lips, how kind, O Lady Moon!

Lady Moon, O Lady Moon, Tell her just one fairy story that you've gathered as you go From the pine woods or the snow, From the gayly lighted cities or the stars above them strewed; There's a sleepy little girlie that would like so much to know Just one little fairy story, Lady Moon.

Lady Moon, O Lady Moon, It is late; and you're so busy with so many trysts to keep, And our little wide-eyed baby—it is time she went to sleep! Kiss those cheeks that mock December With their roses picked in June; Though she's sleepy she'll remember She'll remember, Lady Moon! —Selected.

Road Tax For 1913 Due.

Notice—The special road poll tax for the year 1913 is now due, and payable until the first day of April.

Under the old law the treasurer was paid a small commission for collecting and handling this fund. And heretofore I have given that commission to those who looked after it in the different Townships. But now under the Salary law there is no provision made for any one to be paid any thing out of this fund. Therefore, unless some one will volunteer to collect without charge, in the townships, I cannot put the books out as has been my custom. According by instruction from the County Commers., the books will be at my office in the court house in Graham, and all persons desiring to pay will pay to me unless they find some one else with the books.

Albert J. Thompson, Treasurer, This Jan. 7, 1913 Alamance County.

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Mebane, N. C.

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