

World's Largest Whirlpool.

(From the World Wide Magazine.)
Just before the junction of the Madre de Dios and Inambari rivers in South America, the latter river divides into two arms, with an island some two miles long in between, writes G. W. S. Now. The right arm, which is usually the safer for navigation, was at the time of our arrival impassible, owing to the recent and excessive drought that had caused the formation of perilous rapids. We had, in consequence, to take the wide left arm, down which the main volume of the river was then flowing.

The reader can imagine the enormous force of water that was being shot into the Madre de Dios, when he realizes that the Inambari at its left arm junction was three hundred yards wide, perhaps thirty feet in depth, and flowing at six knots an hour. This great mass of water met the Madre de Dios, itself four hundred yards wide here at a right angle. The current of the Inambari being faster than the Madre de Dios, the former river cut its way through the latter, right across to the farther bank. There the Inambari was thrown back and surged round in a huge circle two hundred yards in diameter, to join up again with the water flowing to the bank. The whirlpool thus formed was probably one of the largest in the world. (I have purposely used the past tense in this description, as the course of the Inambari is constantly changing near its mouth.) The circles of seething water curled inward and downward, screw fashion, to their center, which appeared as a great hole, at least six feet below the level of the outer rim.

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As most weak persons do;
But still believe that story wrong
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—Sheridan

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Referring to the Virginia Pilot, the beloved Columbia State remarks how true it is that "Envy hath no holidays." This Scribe is not acquainted with Envy except by hear-say, but speaking for himself, it is a sad verity that holiday is as very a myth as man ever wasted hope on. —Va. Pilot.

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Pity and Envy

If you could know this day must be your last,
That ere tomorrow all your work must cease,
Could you keep pressing on as in the past,
Or would you halt to plan for future peace?
Would there be any wrong of other days
That you would, trembling, hasten to set right,
And would you, heedless of the public's praise,
Behold with fear the coming of to-morrow?
If so, however great the thing you do,
Forever rich you are, I pity you.
If you could know that after this fair day
The mask of death must lie upon your face,
Would there be no dark stains to clear away,
No misdirected steps you would retrace?
The guerdon that you seek, would it retain
The value that you place upon it now?
And would you bravely press ahead to gain
At last the precious laurels for your brow?
If so, however small the thing you do,
However poor you are, I envy you.
—Chicago Record-Herald.

The Peril In Protection

"A Subscriber" writes to ask what the Virginian Pilot meant, when saying in a recent editorial article that "A system of taxation based on the protective principle is a menace to the maintenance of free institutions?" We meant just what we said: That no government can long endure in representative form which sacrifices the principle of equality to the "discriminative nurture of class interests. The automatic effect of a Tariff designedly protective is to divide every community in the land into separate and antagonistic classes, one of which enjoys privilege and profit from laws which increase the burdens and so invade the rights of all the others. From such conditions only one or two results can eventuate. Either the people must re-assert and retake their rights, or the preferred element must preserve its advantage by so throttling the popular will; that the nature of our institutions will no longer be republican in form nor democratic in spirit. A house divided against itself cannot stand; and no household can hold together whose affairs are so administered that a vast majority of its members are relegated to subsistence on the crumbs that fall from the overladen tables of the minority. Democracy cannot co-exist with an artificially created moneyed aristocracy. Protection makes inevitable for the restoration of feudalism, for a rule of caste; and that in time inevitably tends to the creation of an autocracy, unless a readjustment of inequalities is effected in time to avert actual revolution. It is not the democratic party alone that will be in danger should the existing situation fail of remedy, but Democracy itself. For the endurance of the Republic is dependent on its fidelity to the faith and objects in and for which founded. —Va. Pilot.

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