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## ALLIED POWERS NOT HONEST.

The Venezuelan squabble is fast developing into just what might have been expected, and which was expected by a good many people at the start of the trouble, that is a war for conquest by the allied powers. Neither has the rights of this government as enunciated in the Monroe doctrine, been properly respected.

Given the animus to this principle, as we have abundant evidence does exist on the part of England and Germany, how could we expect a proper respect for this policy by a people who have been so manifestly unfair to a weakling, except the iron arm of power interposed to command that respect? Venezuelans and their sympathizers claim that the demands of England and Germany are not honest demands, and back their assertions with facts that are patent to all. Among them is the fact that the powers show a decided indisposition to submit to adjudication of their claims before an impartial tribunal. Other incidents have occurred recently to add force to this argument.

Whatever be the result and final outcome of affairs Uncle Sam would do well to look to his interests, and do it now.

CLAUDE KITCHIN.

At the next assembling of our national law-makers in Washington, North Carolina will send a delegation composed of a dozen true Democrats, and a body of representatives of which any state in the union might be proud. Among the number the second congressional district will have in Hon. Claude Kitchin one who will rank at the front and who may be expected at all times to acquit himself in such manner as to reflect great credit on his State and district. The recent correspondence of Mr. Thos. J. Pence from Washington to The Raleigh Post, in which he gave an account of the manner in which Congressman Kitchin acquitted himself in his initial debate, disclosed no new thing to Claude Kitchin's constituency, but it is gratifying to them to know that he is attracting the attention at the national capital that he deserves. Mr. Kitchin is a capable debater, a splendid orator, a hard worker for his country and his district, and a representative of which the second district is justly proud.

Advices from Washington indicate that there is a chance for a "slip 'twixt cup and lip" in arranging the treaty between the United States and Colombia in regard to that ditch. We do not know but what it might be a mighty good idea to hold up that treaty for a little while longer anyhow, as certain things have come to light since we thought we had bought the canal, and we may find when it is too late that we didn't buy it on a bargain day.

J. Parted-in-the-middle Morgan, agreed before the tax assessors, of New York the other day to pay taxes on \$400,000 worth of property. So considerate of him.

## TIMELY TOPICS.

As soon as the excitable French learned that Mme. Humbert had swindled some of the English also they began to laugh.—Memphis News.

Leaky boilers in ocean steamships may be perfectly safe under certain conditions, but the public confidence is very apt to leak through them.—Baltimore American.

Admiral Dewey believes that the American navy was never so ably prepared for war as at present. This being the case there is no reason why we should not have peace.—Washington Post.

More money is being turned into the "conscience fund" at Washington every year. Either the American conscience is becoming better or more people with troublesome consciences are stealing each year.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

A second lieutenant has mandamused the war department and everything else that is military to show cause why he should lose about seventy-five numbers in the race for promotion. There is business as well as glory in the profession of arms and the young man is entitled to his day in court.—Minneapolis Times.

## LEMONS AND TYPHOID.

Lemonade as a typhoid germ destroyer acts better in business by itself. It needs not the assistance of other juices.—Richmond Times.

Lemon juice may do to destroy typhoid fever germs in water until some other scientist rises to tell us what sort of deadly germs infect lemon juice.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Since the discovery has been made that lemon juice will kill typhoid germs a piece of lemon with one's eyes will hereafter be regarded as essential. And yet what a reflection that is on the oyster!—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

## CHOICE MISCELLANY

### Buffet Cars in Japan.

The Sankai railway of Shikoku has arranged to have its refreshment cars served by waitresses, says the Japan Times. Every train includes one such car, and each has a waitress as attendant. This arrangement was started a few months since, and the girls were selected from about thirty applicants as having the following qualifications: First, a passable personal appearance; second, education; third, good health; fourth, good conduct, and fifth, an absolutely respectable past. The waitresses rank as officials of the railway and are under the following regulations: First, hair to be dressed in the agetak style—resembling a Greek helmet; second, costume to consist of a kimono of an improved style and a brown skirt; third, the girls to rest morning or afternoon by turns and every sixth day; fourth, the girls on duty to behave with military discipline, to take no "tips," to refrain from chatter with the passengers, and when passengers are in the carriage to stand in the corner of the carriage. Among the girls who have entered the service are many from respectable families, and they have behaved well and decently. The company had apprehended that passengers might behave vulgarly toward them, but happily every respect has been paid to them, and the railway authorities consider the service a success.

### The Tongues of Johannesburg.

Johannesburg is a town of many tongues. You might walk from one end of Commissioner street to the other and at each of its very numerous crossings hear a different lingo spoken. The court of justice is a veritable tower of Babel. Within its walls all sorts of languages are spoken.

One moment the witness box will be occupied by a sturdy black "clicking" like a couple of bones in the hands of a clever manipulator, the next you may hear the elegant French language being unmercifully murdered. Provision is made for interpreting some twenty tongues.

Besides the many native lingo—Amazosa, Basuto, Zulu, Fingo, etc.—you may from time to time hear such languages as Livonian, Greek, Yiddish, German, Assyrian, Turkish, Spanish, French, Chinese, Hindoostanee, Arabic, Dutch, Russian, Japanese, Portuguese—and, as the song says, "many more besides."

### Appendicitis.

An Egyptian mummy of 2,000 years ago recently examined showed evidences of having died of appendicitis, so that the disease is not by any means new. Four hundred cases were operated on in London hospitals last year, all but ten successfully. Sir Francis Treves has operated with success on 100 consecutive cases. It is said that the modern fine flour is one of its causes. The increasing occurrence of the trouble has opened a new field for insurance in England. One of the most prominent firms in Lloyd's has made a new departure in the form of policies insuring against appendicitis. For a premium of 5 shillings the insured, should he undergo an operation, will have all his direct expenses paid up to \$1,000. In the event of his death under or as a result of the operation a total sum of \$1,000 will be paid.

### Mexican Substitutes For Cotton.

The attempt to utilize two native delicate fibers as a substitute for cotton in many of its uses seems to be progressing, says Modern Mexico. The plants produce a cotton of two classes. The smaller one gives a coffee colored seed and grows and multiplies without special care all the year round. Its fiber is thicker than that of the common cotton. The seed of the other plant is of a light blue color. This plant requires special cultivation and irrigation, without which it will give but one crop in the year. The fiber is finer than the other and as fine as the finest cotton. Hilario Cuevas of San Luis Soyatlan, in the state of Jalisco, who first experimented with these two plants, is distributing seeds all over the hot lands, for which it is most suited.

### Birthplace of Trusts.

Vienna is called the birthplace of the trusts. They first saw the light there in 1873, and carry regulating production, restricting competition and governing prices now exist in steel rails, iron, petroleum, sugar, alcohol, plate glass, glassware, paper, boots and shoes and textile fabrics. A comprehensive iron and steel trust covering the entire empire and consciously modeled on the American steel trust has lately been formed. Even in the production of honey a cartel obtains, and on occasion the busy mountain bee is practically put upon short hours.

### Now a "Weed Burner."

The oldest engine in active service on the Northern Pacific reached the west coast ahead of the roadbed, being shipped around Cape Horn, and did service in construction work. It does duty now in the humble capacity of "weed burner." In the fertile sections along the division this locomotive pushes a flat car arrangement equipped with an oil contrivance used to burn the weeds that grow rank along the right of way, thus threatening when left to catch fire from passing trains the destruction of meadows or crops.

### Rapid Coaling.

Good as is the coaling record of H. M. S. Terrible, it is quite eclipsed by the performance of the Empress of China. She took on board 1,210 tons of bunker coal in the remarkably quick time of three and one-half hours, the quickest on record in Nagasaki and we believe, the quickest on record for the world.

## AN EPISODE OF THE FRENCH REVOLUTION

(Original.)

Many were the daring plans during the reign of terror in Paris to save some patrician who was about to be led to the guillotine. Among them that which was conceived for the young Marquise de la Fayette was probably the most pathetic in its results.

Jean Truville was an idealist. Though of good but not noble family, he joined the revolutionary forces simply through a desire to better the condition of the lower classes. When, however, he saw Paris deluged with blood, he learned how dangerous it is to put power into the hands of people who do not know how to use it. Jean had studied the law and before the revolution had been summoned to the Chateau Fayette to draw the old duke's will. There he had met the Marquise Louise, his daughter, and she had won his heart not only by the charm of her presence, but by treating him as her equal. When during the reign of terror one day the duke was led out to execution and Jean learned that Louise was to suffer the same fate in order that the family of aristocrats might become extinct, he resolved to save her even if he lost his own life in doing so.

In drawing the duke's will Jean had noticed that provision was made for the return of a son and heir to the estate who had gone to America with Lafayette to take part in the American Revolution and had been reported missing after one of the battles in which the French troops were engaged. Jean went to the Chateau Fayette, procured a likeness of this young man and hired a costumer to make him up to resemble the subject of the picture. Then, seeking an old woman who had been his landress for years, he gave her all the money he possessed to sign a statement that she had carried a child to the Chateau Fayette twenty years before who had been adopted by the duchess in place of her own child, still born, and without the duke's knowledge of the substitution.

It was the day appointed for the execution of Louise de la Fayette. Jean as soon as the tribunal whose sole business it was to bring aristocrats to the guillotine came together walked up to the desk before the president and said:

"Citizen, I am Antoine de la Fayette, just returned from America, where I have been fighting the great battle which you are fighting here—the battle of human liberty. I find that you have executed my father, and my sister is to die today. If you desire to cut off our family completely, you must execute me and not the young girl who is supposed to be my sister, for she is not a La Fayette, having been adopted by my mother without her knowledge."

"What proof have you of the truth of what you say?" asked the citizen judge.

"I may easily be identified from portraits of me in the Chateau Fayette. Besides, my father must have left a will. In that will he surely made provision for my return, for he had no proof of my death. As to proof of my statement respecting my supposed sister, I have provided myself with the sworn statement of Rachel Duprey, who carried the babe to the chateau."

The citizen judge looked at the young man who proposed to give his life for another with astonishment, then read Rachel Duprey's statement.

"Arrest this man and stay the execution of Citizeness Fayette."

Jean was imprisoned in the conciergerie while the court investigated the truth of his statement. The will of the late duke on file verified Jean's statement as to the missing heir, and Rachel Duprey stood by her written affidavit that she had carried Louise to the chateau. The court was too busily engaged in its bloody work to probe the matter and decided to consider Jean the rightful heir to the Fayette estate. The next question was, should he, having voluntarily given himself up, be executed. He had fought in the cause of liberty in America and had acted nobly in presenting himself to save Louise. But he was the Duke de la Fayette, and the revolutionists wished to exterminate his family and to get possession of his estate. Therefore after a spirited debate it was voted to execute him.

One morning a soldier entered the conciergerie and read the names of a number of persons there who were to be taken out for execution. One of them was Citizen Fayette.

Louise, who supposed that the man had made an error in reading citizen instead of citizeness, was trying to get up from her chair to go to her death when she saw a young man rise and take his place among the condemned. The next moment the soldier read:

"She who was known as Citizeness Fayette is free to go."

When the batch was completed and the prisoners were filing out, Jean, passing Louise, whispered in her ear: "I die for you because I love you."

After the restoration of the Bourbons the Duke de la Fayette returned to France. He had been left for dead on a battlefield, taken by a trapper westward and captured by a tribe of Indians in the then wilderness of Ohio. In Paris he found his sister, who had learned something of the plan by which she had been saved from death. Nothing that had been done by the revolutionists stood under the new regime, and the duke found little difficulty in regaining his estates.

Louise de la Fayette never married, considering herself the wife of the man who had died for her. So long as she lived she made pilgrimages to the cemetery of Pere la Chaise to place flowers on the grave of Jean Truville, and when she died she was laid beside him. LAURA EGERTON.

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