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## "UP WITH THE GREEN AND DOWN WITH THE RED."

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The voice of our nation can never be hushed,  
'Tis heard like the roar of the ocean afar;  
The oppressor has heard it and even he blushed,  
For it likened him unto the autocrat Czar.  
Its expressions are varied—betimes, not amiss,  
Demands revenge for the patriot dead;  
It also gives vent to expressions like this:  
"Up with the Green Flag and down with the Red."  
From the blood-spattered gibbet, where Liberty weeps;  
From the heather-clad hill where the claymore is gleaming;  
From the cell where the proud, maddened Fenian sleeps;  
From the land where the sunlight of freedom is beaming;  
From the eastern shore to the western prairie  
The voice of our land, for which heroes have bled,  
Is heard as in Longford or wild Tipperary:  
"Up with the Green Flag and down with the Red!"  
'Tis the one grand idea that rises before us,  
Like a lone star of hope in our midnight of woe,  
It all the time glimmers so radiantly o'er us,  
It brightens our pathway wherever we go;  
Ah, what would we do, cast adrift on the world,  
Beset with perplexity, danger and dread,  
If we had not the hope that the Green, once unfurled,  
Will float over Albion's detestable Red!  
But the glorious color of Erin must flutter,  
In triumph and honor, o'er tyranny's head;  
And the shout raised again which a Fenian dare utter—  
"Up with the Green Flag and down with the Red!"  
Blush not to bear it—'twas borne by old Brian!  
Its luster was often on battle-fields shed!  
This "sunburst" we'll shake in the face of the "Lion"  
Till he crouches in rear of the blood-imbrued Red!  
The Emblem of Erin recalls her past glory—  
Recalls the remembrance of days that are fled—  
The days when our banner was borne by Rory—  
Then, "Up with this Green Flag and down with the Red!"

\*Words used by a Fenian in the town of Longford, some time since, for which grave offence he was put to live on half-boiled beans in a British dungeon—to be digested "in solitary."—S.—San Francisco.

## A VERY CLEVER RASCAL.

Russell Sage was talking the other day about a dishonest but plausible broker.  
"I have caught this man," he said "in a dozen shady transactions. He has always, though, been ready to excuse himself."  
Mr. Sage smiled. Then he resumed.  
"He reminds me of a chap who broke a plate glass window one day. As soon as he had broken the window he hurried off as fast as he could go. But the shopkeeper had seen him. The shopkeeper came after him and grabbed him by the collar.  
"Aha, you broke my window, didn't you, eh?" he said.  
"Yes, and didn't you see me running home for the money to day for it?" said the other."—New York Times.

## Labor Notes.

The soda water clerks of Boston are agitating the formation of a union for the purpose of reducing the hours of labor.

A large number of non union bakers joined the union during the strike between the master bakers of Boston and the union workers.

Seventeen coal companies of Illinois were convicted of being members of a trust, in the Appellate Court of Chicago, and each must pay a fine of \$500.

Organization of the laundry workers is being successfully prosecuted, and many firms are adopting the union and signing the agreement.

The agricultural workers of Belgium have the finest agricultural co-operative system in the world. Since its adoption it has proved successful and steadily grown.

The Central Federated Union of New York passed a resolution requesting the revocation of the charter of the Western Union Telegraph Co., because of the recent pool room exposures.

A mining camp is to be established to receive the union miners who have been the victims of Citizens' Alliance Anarchists, military brutes and the State's executive puppet.

The Western Federation of Miners is to provide for Colorado's deported miners. Claims are to be secured in New Mexico and operated on the co-operative plan.

Much pressure has been exerted upon Attorney General Knox to include the tobacco trust in the list of unlawful combinations against which proceedings should be instituted.

Hawaiian longshoremen will organize and affiliate with the International Longshoremen's Association. The union has a membership of about 800 men, the majority of whom are Hawaiians and Portuguese citizens of the United States.

The farmers who have been supplying milk to the contractors of Boston, formed a corporation with a capital of \$30,000. The corporation is for the purpose of better protecting the interests of the milk producers against the encroachments of the contractors.

The protest of the Musicians' Union to President Roosevelt against members of the United States Marine Band taking the places of the places of musicians during disputes, resulted in the President ordering that no member of the Marine Band shall take the place of a civilian dismissed because of a labor dispute.

E. F. Dubrue, commissioner of the National Metal Trades' Association of Cincinnati, declared at the convention of the National Association of the Manufacturers, that eighty per cent. of strikes was due to deficiencies of plants or the rottenness of their management.

## THE VALLAINOUS LABOR UNIONS.

A thousand human beings were burned or drowned in the Slocum disaster.

Nothing has been done, and nothing is going to be done about it—but that is another story and a very familiar one.

You know, of course, why a thousand lives were destroyed. A corrupt and dishonest company—whose president, by the way, had been called a swindler from the bench—had bribed corrupt and dishonest inspectors, who should have prevented the disaster by enforcing safety laws.

Are you aware of the fact that some ordinary, low-down labor unions—the unions of pilots and of engineers—have been struggling for a long time to obtain better laws to protect life on the water, and especially to enforce the laws that exist?

The effort of the unions has been made at Washington, and in the State Legislature—but it has been defeated.

The steamship companies and owners denounced the action of the union men as meddling and impertinent. They said that they ought to mind their own business, and not interfere with the business of the steamship companies, from whom they get their bread and butter.

The steamship companies were successful, the labor unions were defeated, the Slocum was not properly inspected—no boats are properly inspected, if the owners are willing to pay bribes—and the thousand human beings were killed.

This kind of impertinent meddling by labor unions is done in many directions and it is vigorously opposed in as many directions by "respectable" money associations.

The unions fight against child labor.

They fight against the use of dangerous materials in buildings.

They fight against overcrowding and sweatshops.

They fight against disease-breeding tenements that threaten everybody.

In every instance they are opposed by "respectable" property that does not want to be interfered with.

It is to be hoped that sooner or later—and sooner, rather than later—all citizens will be united in a great union of labor and patriotism, and they will succeed at last in establishing the fact that life, health, education and happiness for all are more important than a few miserable dollars for a few blind and selfish egotists.—New York Evening Journal.

## ITEMS OF REASON.

We should never shrink concessions to reason.

No movement advances faster than the reason directing it.

Do not leave as a memorial a monument of ignorance.

Ignorance and prejudice should be destroyed and not the destroyers of the trades union movement.

## MUD SLINGING VS. COMMON SENSE

American Industries, the official organ of the National Association of Manufacturers, otherwise known as the "manufacturers' paper," is engaged in an effort to affiliate all manufacturers with said organization which has, apparently, no other end in view but the extinction of organization amongst their employes. Does it seem reasonable to imagine that if successful in such an accomplishment their organization would then vanish? Far from it. They are already very much alive to the benefits found in fraternal cooperation. The dust of bias which now blurs their vision toward organization among workmen will not injure the latter—merely embitter them and increase the tension of discord. Change front, American Industries, credit unionism with having some good points which are well to occasionally exploit rather than constantly harping only upon its flaws. Unionism among workmen, we admit does not abound with faultless methods and practices, but the crude state has long since been passed and improvement marks their progress. Their mistakes are usually those of the head, which can be overcome, but not by pursuing a policy of systematic persecution and belittlement, emanating from the malice of the heart. You may lead them to the fount of enlightenment, but its sparkling waters will remain untasted if the phial of senseless temper and ridicule pollute its bowl.—Postal Record.

## TRUE SAYINGS.

Conduct is three-fourths of life.—Mary Adams.

The frog in the well knows not the great sea.—Japanese proverb.

It is better to follow even the shadow of the best than to remain content with the worst.—Henry Van Dyke.

Envy no man who is not sometimes a fool. The thing is to know it. Your true fool never does.—S. Weir Mitchell.

Courtesy, kindness and concentration this; trinity forms the sesame that will unlock all doors.—Elbert Hubbard.

To have what we want is riches; but to be able to do without, is power.—Geo. MacDonald.

"Effort without ideal is anarchy; effort under false ideas is thralldom."

One hates to try to lick the new postage stamp. It has grown too large for a licking.

Words are keener than steel and mightier for woe and for weal.—Joaquin Miller.

Ambition means to be higher than others. Aspiration means to be high.—MacDonald.

A wire gridiron, smeared with molasses or honey, and electrically charged, is the latest fly-killer.

Unyielding prejudices do not signify strong natures but fool natures.

## LOCATION OF COOPS--GAPES.

Plenty of good coops and a suitable location for them must be provided, so as to be prepared for the hatches as fast as they come off. An orchard is a very nice place for them. The trees furnish shade for the mother and her brood and they benefit the trees by thinning out the insects. The site selected should be as far from the poultry house and runs of the older fowls as possible, for the chicks cannot do well with a flock of grown fowls. They trample them, steal their food, etc.

If your chicks had gapes last year, do not use the same ground for them this year; better change to a new place, for they would not be liable to contract the same disease again. The cause of this disease is a small worm of a reddish color, which the chicks find in the ground and attempt to swallow, but it lodges in the windpipe and shuts off its wind until it is forced to gasp for breath. As soon as a chick is seen gaping better try some remedy, or it will gradually gape its life away. A great many recommend the horse-hair remedy, but it seems so cruel to torture the poor chick in this way. If something can be given the chick to cause it to sneeze it up it certainly is a better plan. There are many ways to do this; first, by blowing Persian powder down its throat, or by putting them in a barrel or box and dusting air-slacked lime over them. A covering of thin muslin or cheesecloth should be tied tightly across the top of the barrel or box and the lime can be sifted slowly through this. Do not attempt this if the chicks are weak, or there would be danger of smothering them. Keep them away from places where earth worms are liable to be found, as manure or old wood piles.—P. W. H., in St. Louis Farmer.

The case of United States Senator Joseph R. Burton, accused of accepting a fee for service before the Postoffice Department, will be reviewed by the United States Supreme Court.

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## THEY ARE PASSING.

Take a walk through any of the cemeteries throughout the country and you will believe with us that fools are passing away.

With silent tread you pass the last resting place of the individual who blew into an empty gun.

The modest tombstone of the hired girl who lighted the fire will kerosene, and the grass covered mound that covers the remains of a boy who took a mule by the tail.

The tall monument of the man who didn't know it was loaded overshadows the dugout of the man who jumped off the car to save a ten rod walk.

Side by side lay the remains of the ethereal creature who always kept her corset laced up to the last hole and the intellectual idiot that rode a bicycle nine miles in ten minutes.

Here reposes the young doctor who was foolish enough to take a dose of his own medicine, and the old fool who married a young wife.

Right yonder in the northeast corner, where the gentle breezes sigh through the weeping willows, lies the fellow who told his mother-in-law she lied.

Down there in the potter's field with his feet sticking out to the rude blasts of winter and the blistering rays of the summer's sun, stretches all earthly remains of the misguided regulator who tried to lick the editor, while the broken bones of the man who wouldn't pay for his paper lay piled up in the fence corner.

Nearby, his grave unmarked, reposes the mouldering dust of the editor who starved to death trying to run a first-class paper in a second-class town.

Over by the entrance reposes the boy who went swimming too early in the season and the lady who kept strychnine and baking powder side by side in the same cupboard.

Right there in the path directly in front of the entrance, obstructing the way, is the grave of the microbe killer who ruined himself inside and out with an antiseptic solution until his agonies were cut short by acute softening of the brain.—Exchange.

## VALUE OF BIRDS AS INSECT DESTROYERS.

The practical value of birds in controlling insect pests should be more generally recognized. It may be an easy matter to exterminate the birds in an orchard or grain field, but it is an extremely difficult one to control the insect pests. It is certain, too, that the value of our native sparrows as weed destroyers is not appreciated. Weed seeds form an important item of the winter food of many of these birds and it is impossible to estimate the immense numbers of noxious weeds which are thus annually destroyed.

Justice and reason are the only permanent levers of the labor movement.

William J. O'Brien, Jr., of Baltimore, was elected Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks.