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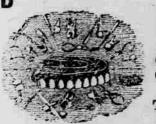
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Points and Paragraphs of Things Present. Past and Future.

Two weeks ago we printed a sketch of Joseph Leiter's wheat deals whereby he made his millions. Now it has turned out that he loses all he has made and a big chunk besides. Doubtless his father's bank account suffers from the son's reckless dealing and manipulating. Set it down as a safe rule that when a man gets something for nothing he will sometime lose his grasp on the possession.

Prof. Koch's investigation on the subject of malaria, that the bite of the mosquito carries with it a danger much more serious than the bite itself. He from one person to another. Where there is malaria, he says, there is the mosquito, and the little blood-sucker while torturing you with. his biting you with malaria which he brings from great, kindly, national heart. his last victim.

Speaking for the Democratic party, THE COMMONWEALTH would urge that all candidates for the suffrage of the people this year be what the word implies. It is derived from the Latin word candidus, which means "white." The old Roman idea was that a man who came before the people for support must be a "white" man in the truest sense of the word-white in character, the word "candidate" came into use. Let our candidates this year be men of spotless character against whom nothing can be said. The Democratic party needs every possible support in order to win success this time.

The Charlotte News recently made the following observation upon a pass ing event:

"In the war excitement, we are about to overlook the fact that the capital of China is to be changed from Pekin to Sian Fu, the capital of the Province of Shen Si. The cyclopaedia informs us that the Province of Shen'Si (the "Wes tern frontier"), in which the new capital is located, has a population of about 10,300,000. The surface is mountainous and less fertile than the more eas tern provinces. The products are mil let, iron, porphyry, jasper, copper, gold musk, ginseng, rhubarb and timber. The principal manufactures are agri cultural and military clothing. It is divided into seven departments, and the chief city is See Ngan.

"Perhaps the Chinese thought Germany or Russia or France might gobble up their capital at any time, and they have placed it in the extreme Western province, where it it will be the last thing taken in the partition of the empire."

Mr. John L. Williams, a banker of Richmond, Va., recently wrote a letter to the Manufacturers' Record in Baltimore concerning the dangers of conquest for our nation. The closing paragraph printed was very significant and worthy to be made a motto on the lintel of every door-way throughout this broad land. He wrote:

"I believe this country has a great work to perform in the world's history, but what bitter experience may be needed to rid us of our follies and political vices remains to be seen.

"Should we arm ourselves for aggressive warfare, will we then be content, 'having done all things to stand? Without the restraining and controlling spirit and power of the Gospel, why should not we rise and culminate and go down like other 'giant forms of empire' before us?

"The farther I get on in life and the more I see of nations, communities and individuals, the more I am satisfied Germany, nor new Ireland, nor new that the only hope of the world is the Russia, nor new France, and none of worship of the Divine Ideal. Every- these can expect to find counterpart in that lie like thunder!" thing else is passing relief-little better us. Though they all go to the making

Mr. John Bevins, editor of the Press, Anthon, Iowa, says: "I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy in my family for fitteen years, have recommended it to hundreds of others, and have never known it to fail in a single instance. All-Healing Springs at \$1.50 per day. Sunday Rates \$1.00. For sale by E. T. Whitehead & Co.

OUR NATIONAL

RIGHTEOUSNESS EXALTETH A NATION"

Present-Day Thoughts.

BY "NEMO."

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Shall we continue along the line of the closing thought of last week's let-And now it comes to light, through ter? It was that the end of the war will leave us with a very much extend- disgusted. ed horizon of duty and opportunity and temptation. It is with us, as with the to interfere with Spain, was in advance nationally right; that it is better

> But we are hereafter to be more closely watched by the great nations of the earth; and no longer with mere curiosity and idle surmisings as to the durability of our experiment in self-govfor them a lingering fear as to what the years to come conceal of impulsive action on our part, and of real danger to the nations that have hitherto known us only in distant fashion. From being a remote and unarmed nation whose cert of cations.

> Our temptation will be to play our part in that concert, guided by the actions of those to our right or to our lett instead of by the motions of the great confuctor before whom the greatest nations are merely,

"Viliant dust that builds on dust." Our temptation will be to plume ourstandards of other nations that have risen by material things, lived by them,

-"put her trust" "In reeking tube and iron-shard." Our temptation will be to lean on umies and nayies and call them safety. Yet, guiding ourselves by our opponent to be of small moment unless backed by a high purpose. History is proof that the least of all things for a nation to trust in is force that is physical instead of moral and mental. To make national power as vanishing as a sand dam in a rising tide, let us put our whole trust in rifles that repeat, and in iron castles that float.

Our temptation will be to descend to the aggrandising methods of less compact nations-to take a hand in the game of grab-and call it statesmanship; unmindful that a "far-flung battle-line" thins out energy and makes wounding easy. This will be our strongest temptation; but to yield to it will make us untrue to the motive which regarding the nobility of our aim.

These are some of thy temptations ; O, nation that hast been led up into an exceedingly high place! The world with all its glory lies beneath. If hungry, thou hast it in thy power to stoop and eat the bread of pride that satisfieth not. Or thereis for thee devotion to the sublime consciousness of being set for moral leadership in a world that is still too material and too selfish for full appreciation of the demands of the century yet to come.

Our new opportunities will be reversals of our temptations. It is ours to refuse imitation of the untrue, trivial evil doings of neighbors whose moral education has been less than our own. We are neither new England, nor new of us, we are not copies of them any more than the child reproduces in his appearance the bread, the milk, the potatoes, etc., that he has devoured. We are old-fashioned enough to believe that

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we are what we are, by the grace of FALLING God, a nation with an individuality peculiar to itself, made so by the experiences it has encountered. From the homes of our totlers, in field and in

mothers and the strong efforts of our men, may go up a harmony that will be our contribution to the concert of the Lord of Hosts. "Righteousness He Tells in Picturesque Language exalteth a nation." Our opportunity is to show that we find no occasion for boasting no matter how great our contribution to the

factory; from the patient hearts of

cause of human liberty. It is ours to show a national belief in the greatness of humility. It is ours to live out this belief so effectually that others whose opportunities for a great unselfish act have been rarer, may not from our mouthings grow either discouraged or

Our opportunity is to show that we are not growing material in our standmountain climber, that the upward ards of value. It is ours to declare that step shows us what we had not seen be- the expediency of gain is less to be says that the mosquito carries malaria fore. As I pointed out some weeks ago, considered than propriety of action the unselfish motive that impelled us that what is morally wrong cannot be of anything we had yet attempted in be right than to be powerful; but betexemplifying the Golden Rule; and it ter still to be powerfal and right. Furwould have been strange indeed, if it thermore it is ours to declare that our may at the same time be inoculating had failed to return with interest to the only fight is for the clearing out of dark places of ignorance in order to let in a great light of a new liberty; that we shall not seek to extend our domain by any method that partakes of trickery; that we shall, only so long as is necessary for their permanent independence, retain our hold upon ernment. The future will have in it the lands we free; and finally that we shall not forget our national declaration regarding the consent of the governed as the base of government.

American alliance question.

Two Ways of Looking at Things.

"It is a pity that more of us canno cultivate the twofold way of looking at things," writes Edword W. Bok in the June Ladies' Home Journal. "There would be less friction in life if we did, and sweeter sympathy, kindselves on fighting ability, and intrpret er understanding, and broader and fulit into a guarantee of permanency; ler living. The fact is that we never measuring ourselves foolishly by the reach the dignity of true living unless we do learn this all-important lesson. And that it may be cultivated admits and perished by them. Higher thought of no doubt. It is simply a question is needed now than for our beloved na- of schooling ourselves not to condemn generally what individually does not happen to be to our taste. If, for example we prefer brown as a color there is no reason on earth why we should condemn the taste of any one who prefered to wear green. What the vast mawe see that Spain shows these things jority of us need is to be a little more self-poised, more judicial, more willing, to see good in the tastes of others, although they do not please our own particular fancies. If we all thought alike, read the same books, saw the same plays, wore the same colors, this would be an exceedingly uninteresting

"We cannot see all things in the same way, but we can come near to justice and true respect by taking a twofold view of things while still retaining our strong individual views. Seeing a possible good or use for everything does not necessarily mean a weak individuality. The most uncomfortable people in the world are those who assert their judgments in a hard, defirst impelled us, and will justify the cisive and final manner, as if they were doubts of some of the European nations courts of last resort. On the other hand, the brightest and best minds are those that have most respect for the opinions of others."

Great America.

A Missouri orator is said by an ex change to have gotten off the following: "We live in a land of high mountains and high taxes, low valleys and low wages, big crooked rivers and big crooked statesmen, big lakes, big strikes, big drunks, big pumkin heads, silver streams that gambol in the mountains and pious politicians who gamble in the night, roaring cataracts and roaring orators, fast horses and -ast young men and girls, fast, faster, fastest sharp lawyers, sharp financiers, and sharped shoes, noisy children, tertile plains that lie like sheets of water, and thousands of newspapers

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MURAT HALSTEAD RECALLS A GREAT EVENT OF HIS BOYHOOD.

of What he Saw on a Night in 1833, When he Was Only Four Years Old.

Murat Halstead, in Cincinnati Commercial Tr

I am of the few who can speak a eyewitnesses of "the night of the falling of the stars," Nov. 12-13, 1833. Those who beheld the wonders of that time were dazed by the awful splendors and long spoke of them as of some majestic, supernatural vision. My age was four years and two months, my grass. The commotion among some western Ohio. One of the treasures of was as if warning had been given that our house was an astronomical atlas, with mysterious maps of the constellations, over which my parents pondered, eyes were soon weary of the fireworks and the strange animals drawn among and so I have only hearsay for itthe stars were figures the more incom- when the first cold white, then rosy, prehensible the more they were ex- light of morning came, and it was seen plained. My parents were much given to studying the clouds by day and the brooks babbled on in their accustomed stars by night, and one of my earliest recollections is that they would call each other's attention to celestial phenomena, so that I was something and found the earth as they had left i of a "star gazer" myself and knew at 4. the evening before, and the farmers se years-old about Job's coffin and Orion's forth as usual to husk corn in the fields belt, the seven stars, the dipper, the and evening.

These times are big with fate. Gen- orable night had "killed a mess of hanging firmament was still there, erations of men yet unborn, will arise young squirrels," and, out of the def- fretted with the golden fires of the governmental vagaries could be smiled to praise or condemn us, according to erence to me, had not shot them as a familiar stars. unspotted-without blemish; and so at, and whose boastful vaporings could whether we take actions that disinte- marksman should-through the head be despised, we are transformed into grate or bind together. Next week let -for my favorite diet was squirrels' us in kindly spirit discuss the Anglo- brains. My passion for this dainty dish was indulged at supper, and during the night I disturbed the house shouting for alleviation of sharp pains, resulting from too much brains-in my inexperienced stomach. My mother, Court to-day. Mereen county, Ky. aroused, saw a strange light glaring at sought to repudiate a grant of \$125,000 the windows and, lo, it was evident of bonds made to the Louisville South tonish him, but that did. If he had pleted "through" the county, but came not seen it, he would not have believed short two miles of reaching from one it, and yet did not think the last hours county line to the other. Discussing of the globe we inhabit had come and this point Justice Brewer said:

"the judgment" was at hand. now long the stars had been falling or from side to side, but it is used in could not be ascertained. It was very narrower and different senso. good of my parents to think it worth meaning is often qualified by the con while to have me take part as a watch- text. Thus, if one should say that he man of the tremendous illumination had spent the summer travelling just to see whether I could remember through New England it would not be it as long as I lived. I have so far, understood as carrying an affirmation clearly, as if it had happened a few that he had been from one side clear days ago, and it is 64 years! My face to the other, or from one end clear to was washed to clear my eyes from tears, the other, but that his travels had been perhaps, and, wrapped in a blanket, I within the limits of New England. was carried into the yard on the north That book which is said to have had a side of the house. The view of the wider circulation than any except the north side was somewhat obstructed by Bible, Bunyan's 'Pilgrim's Progress, a wild cherry tree. Eastward was a opens with this sentence: 'As I walklow hill covered with hickory, maple, ed through the wilderness of this world walnut and sassafras trees, and that I lighted on a certain place where was where the morning star peeped there was a den, and laid down in that through the lofty fringe of naked place to sleep.' Does the writer mean boughs and trunks of the trees in the that he passed from one end of th

Special attention was given to point-

memory, and the amazing scene is be- lighted on the den? Obviously th fore me now, though that was long be- latter." fore photography. I do not recollect that I looked westward at all. Observation of the east fascinated me, and I do not think I turned my face in any other direction. There were innumerable lines of light drawn as if by invisible pencils with points of fire; strangely straight lines sweeping from near the zenith to the horizon. My clear impression is there were no cross lines that there seemed to be a monstrous stream of fiery hair, a vivid blending of sun and moonlight, pouring from a stupendous, exhaustless urn, some of the bright lines fading as they swept down,

fainting into the serene depths of the sky. There was a certain majestic serenity about the exalted conflagration. My parents were not alarmed or greatly agitated, but enjoying every moment. I recall their low tones and some of their exclamations and admiration. All the boys and girls of the house were called, and they wanted to know whether it was really the stars that were falling and my father reassured them by the rather unsatisfactory statement: "No. It's nothing but

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comet had exploded and our world was whirling through the dust left floating in the abyss of space was not at once evolved, and it was sometime before our weekly papers mentioned that there had been other startling showers of meteors; that this thing happened

several times and might and probably would again.

The silence that attended the dazzling display, the apparent flight of all the stars from their courses, the mighty movement, inexpressive save in the swift darting of celestial arrows that flashed into the space and made no sound, most impressed the beholders, and was always mentioned as something mystical-an apparation of glory inconceivable. It was insubstantial as the northern lights and yet what more could happen after one had seen the vault of heaven incandescent, with a thousand streams of pale lightning all station. Write for free catalogue and samples. Address point of observation a valley in south- people in some country neighborhoods

the day of burning words was at hand. It was a relief to the watchers-my the hills had not skipped, and that the way, and the chickens that had cack led and crowed and given signs of apprehension on their roosts, came down

When the evening shades fell once north star and the star of the morning more, the yeil of the meteors had van ished, and there were gladness and My father the day before the mem- gratitude that the majestical over

Justice Brewer Cited Bunyan.

Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" was cited by Justice Brewer in the Supreme enought the universe was afire! My ern Railroad Company on the ground father seldom allowed anything to as- that the railway had not been com-

"It is true the primary meaning o The hour was after midnight, and the word 'through' is from end to end wilderness to the other, and at the fur ther end found the den, or simply that ing things out for me to fix in my as he traveled in the wilderness he

Therefore the Court decided that the bonds should be paid.

North Carolina Strawberries.

The strawberry season along the Atlantic Coast Line having closed several days ago, the record of the movement his early years was a pretentious buildhas been made up and it shows that shipment was 265,615 crates, or 8,499,-680 quarts. The estimated average price netted for berries was 8 cents per Washington. quart, and the money value of the crop \$697,974.40. The shipment this sea- Beware of Ointments for Catarrh son has exceeded that of last season by over 100,000 crates. The greatest shipment for any one day was on May 3rd, when 18,989 crates were moved. The one day's shipment on the 3rd required 65 cars, which would make a train half mile long.

I was seriously afflicted with a cough for several years, and last fall had a more severe cough than ever before. have used many remedies without receiving much relief, and being recommeteors." How it happened there was mended to try a bottle of Chambera such a flood of them was a matter lain's Cough Remedy, by a friend, cure be sure you get the genuine. It who, knowing me to be a poor widow, gave it to me, I tried it, and with the Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. most gratifying results. The first bot-M. L. Yocum, Cameron, Pa., says: tle relieved me very much and the "I was a sufferer for ten years, trying second bottle has absolutely cured me. most all kinds of pile remedies, but I have not had as good health for Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded.

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Payne's Grave in Tunis.

ondon Sketch

One of the strangest sights in the strange town of Tunis is the old Christian cemetery. Few American tourists fail to visit it, and none leave it without a look at the grave of the author of 'Home, Sweet Home."

Just off a busy thoroughfare, under in ancient archway, is a heavy wooden gate, much worn by the lapse of time, thickly studded with fantastic nails, and provided with a prodigious knocker. The latter, however, is not needed, for the gate yields to an energetic push. and you find yourself in a large, inclosure, half garden, half graveyard, where an Italian woman'is hanging out clothes among the guant white tombs. It is twelve years since any one was buried here, and the place is beginning to look neglected. The modern cemetery is now outside the walls, and its guardian told me that many people came to him to inquire for the monument of "an American poet" or "an American consul," and he had to send them to the old graveyard. The monument in question is that of the author of "Home, Sweet Home," and it bears the following inscription upon its

"In memory of John Howard Payne, author of 'Home, Sweet Home.' Born June 9, 1791; died April 9, 1852. Erected A. D., 1855.

"American arms-eagle surmounted by motto, 'E Pluribus Unum.' Died at the American Consulate in Tunis, Aged sixty years and ten months."

In the tomb beneath this stone the poet's remains lay buried for thirty years. On January 5, 1883, they were disinterred and taken away to his native land, where they received the honor and final burnal in the city of Washington, June 9, 1883.

"Then be content, poor heart."

Sure when thy gentle spirit fled To realms beyond the azuere doine, With arms outstretched God's angel

"Welcome to Heaven's Home, Sweet Home.

There is a certain appropriateness about the fact that the author of the exile's most pathetic anthem should have died so many thousand miles away from home. There are other graves in the cemetery, some of them with quaint inscriptions. James Dodge, an American charge d'affaires, who died at Tunis in 1806, has this piece of doggerel on his slab :

A wit's a feather, and a chief's a rod; An honest man's the noblest work of

John Howard Payne's birthplace was Eastahmpton, L. I., and the house in which he first saw the light and passed ing, two stories high and shingled. A noble monument now marks

Payne's grave in Oak Hill Cemetery,

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