The Paramount Issue.
One day during the campaign of 1900
Major Henry Newman was at Poplar
Biuff, Mo., preaching Democracy pure
and undeflied in his best form, but refraining from any discussion of the
"paramount issue." Among the major's
auditors was a citizen in a policeman's
helmet who marked the ornistion and

"How about the Phillipayins?" he isked with a brogue which left no loubt as to his nativity.

Major Newman continued without appearing to notice the questioner.
"How about the Phillipsyins?" came again at the end of one of the major's

followed with no apparent let-up to the

Irishman's persistence.
"My friend," said Major Newman at

length, "I'll tell you about the Phillip-

fect, and everybody chuckled.
"I'll tell you confidentially," said the major seriously, "what I'm in favor of doing with the Phillipayins. I'd trade the Philipayins to Great Britain for Ireland, and then we could raise our

FATE.
Two shall be born the whole wide world apart And speak in different tongues and have no thought Each of the other's being and no heed, And these o'er unknown seas to unknown lands Shall cross, escaping wreck, defying death

And all unconsciously shape every act And bend each wandering step to this one

That one day out of darkness they shall meet And read life's meaning in each other's

So nearly side by side that should one Ever so little space to left or right They needs must stand acknowledged fac

to face, yet with wistful eyes that never With groping hands that never clasp and

lips
Calling in vain to ears that never hear,
They seek each other all their weary days
And die unsatisfied. And this is fate.
—Susan Marr Spalding.

Choate's Answer.
Some one asked of Joseph II. Choate "If you could not be yourself, whom would you rather be?" Mr. Choate pondered. Then looking up and catching the eye of his wife, answered, "Mrs. second husband."

Montaigne on Fools.

In discussion nothing vexes me so much with folly as that it is more satwith itself than wisdom can rea-Obstinacy and foolhardi ness fill their possessors with joy and assurance. 'Tis for the most ignorant to look at other men over the shoulder 'Tis for the most ignorant always returning from the combat full of joy and triumph. And for the most part this assurance of speech and gayety of countenance give them the ter of it in the opinion of the audience. Obstinacy of opinion in argument is the surest proof of folly. Is there any-thing so assured, resolute, disdainful, serious and grave as the ass?

Love of Country.

In the last days of the Confederacy General Longstreet observed a soldier in tattered clothing standing in mud and a beating rain during a temporary halt of the column. The soldier was soliloquizing for the benefit of the bystanders: "I love my country," he said.
"I could die for my country. Breathes there a man with soul so dead who to himself bath never said "This is my own, my native land? But if I ever do get through with this war—if I do get through sure enough-I'll be damu-ed if I ever fall in love with another

Courage Loves a Lofty Path. I am encouraged by these things with

which you think to scare me. I long to stand where the Sun himself trem-bles to stand. It is the part of grovelers and cowards to follow the safe track. Courage loves a lofty path .- reply.

One Like Her.

A large touring automobile contain-ing a man and his wife in a narrow road met a hay wagon fully loaded. The woman declared that the farmer back out, but her husband con tended that she was unreasonable.

"But you can't back the automobile so far," she said, "and I don't intend she said, "and I don't intend to move for anybody. He should have

husband pointed out that this was impossible owing to an abrupt turn in the road. "I don't care," she insisted, "I won't

move if we have to stay here all e man in the automobile was start-

ing to argue the matter when the farmer, who had been sitting quietly on the any, interrupted.

"Never mind, sir," he exclaimed. "I'll try to back out. I've got one just like her at home."-Philadelphia Ledger.

During the great epidemic of yellow ever at Memphis the members of the to obtain watchers, when a man with

piled, "You are not needed." "I wish to nurse," persisted the stranger. "Try me for a week. If you don't like me, then dismiss me. If you do, pay me my wages." "Very well," said the doctor, "I'll take you, although, to be canded, I hesitate to do so." Then he added mentally, "I'll keep my eye on him."

But the man soon proved that he needed nobody's eye upon him. In a few weeks he had become one of the most valuable nurses on that heroic force. He was tireless and self denying. Wherever the pestilence raged most flexely he worked hardest. The ant-

fering and the sinking adored him. To rering and the sinking adored him. To the neglected and the forgotten his rough face was as the face of an angel. He acted so straugely on paydays, however, that he was followed through back streets to an obscure place, where he was seen to put his whole week's earnings into a relief box for the bene-fit of the yellow fever sufferers. Not long afterward he sickened and died of long afterward he sickened and died of long afterward he sickehed and died of the plague, and when his body was pre-pared for its unnamed grave, for he had never told who he was, a livid mark was found which showed that John, the nurse, had been branded as a convicted felon.

Against the Lightning Rod.

A long time ago a member of the Dutch Reformed church in Poughkeep ste made this protest against a propos tion to buy a lightning rod for church: "We've been to great to great deal droubles and great deal spense to build a house for God Almitis, and now if he's a mind to dunder on his own house and burn him up, let him dunder den! I shan't vote for de dunder rod!

La Rochefoucauld on Love. Love, like fire, must have continual movement. When it ceases to hope and fear, it ceases to exist.

The reason why lovers are never weary of being together is because they are always talking of themselves. Coldness in love is a sure means of

being beloved The more we love the nearer are we to hate. Women who love, more easily pardon

great indiscretions than little infidelities.

It is impossible to love a second time

we have once really ceased to

He Liked the Family. Governor Claiborne F. Jackson of Missouri married five sisters. After one wife had been lost and appropri ately mourned he espoused another. row circle of his own relatives, for he

rather liked the family.

The venerable father of these girls was almost deaf, and when the governor went to this octogenarian to ask for his surviving daughter the follow ing conversation ensued:

"I want you to let me have Eliz-a

"I want Lizzie!"

"Oh, you want Lizzle, do you? What

for?" "For my wife!"
"For life?" "I want-to-marry-her!"

"Oh, yes! Just so, I hear you, boy."
"I'm glad you do!" roared the gov-"Well," slowly responded the veteran, "you needn't yell so that the whole neighborhood knows it! Yes, you can have her. You've got 'em all now, my lad, but for goodness' sake, if anything happens to that 'ere poor lit

old woman! Jackson solemnly promised that he

The Deadly Tongue.

The second most deadly instrument of destruction is the dynamite gun. The gun merely kills bodies; the tongue kills reputations and ofttimes ruins characters. Each gun works alone; each loaded tongue has a hundred accom plices. The havor of the gun is visible to give divorce decree to a man at once. The full evil of the tongue lives through all the years; even the eye of Omniscience might grow tired in tracing it to its finality. The crimes of the tougue are words of unkindness. of anger, of malice, of envy, of bitter ness, of harsh criticism, gossip, lying and scandal. Theft and murder are awful crimes, yet in any single year the aggregate sorrow, pain and suffering they cause in a nation is micro scopic when compared with the sor rows that come from the crimes of the tongue.-William George Jordan.

Something New In Kentucky.

Fairbanks of Indiana and Shaw Iowa were stumping Kentucky. After a successful meeting the Kentucky colonel who had the two Republican statesmen in charge invited them into the hotel barroom for some refresh-

"What'll you have?" he asked Senator Fairbanks.

"And you?" said the host to Gov-

"I think I will have a glass of but termilk. The barkeeper turned to the Ken-"What shall I give you, colo tuckian.

nel?" he asked. The Kentucky gentleman heaved a long sigh. "Under the circumstances," he said, "I think you can give me a piece of pie."

Schopenhauer on Innocence. Innocence is in its very nature stupid. The first criminal and murderer. Cain, who acquired a knowledge of guilt, and through guilt acquired a knowledge of virtue by repentance, and so came to understand the meaning of life, is a tragical figure more significant and almost more respectable than all the innocent foois in the world put

Nothing will relieve Indigestion that is not a thorough digestant. Kodol digests what you eat and fever at Memphis the members of the relief committee were at their wits end rate - grow strong again, KODOL oarse features, close cropped hair and as a solution of digestive acids and as nearly as possible approximates the attending physicians and said. "I the digestive juices that are found in want to nurse." The doctor looked at want to nurse." The doctor looked at the stomach KODOL takes the work the stomach KODOL takes the work fitted for the work in any way and re of digestion off the digestive organs elled, "You are not needed." "I wish and while performing this work of est efficiency and by its action the In the river you can fall, activity and power, KODOL is More people there would be,

sands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know it.

How To Find Out.
Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney to the condition of the condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney to the condition of the kidneys are blad to pass it or pain in the back its also convincing proof that the kidneys are blad to the convincing proof that the kidneys are blad to the convincing proof that the kidneys are blad to the convincing proof that the kidneys are blad to the convincing proof that the kidneys are blad to the convincing proof that the kidneys are blad to the convincing proof that the kidneys are blad to the convincing proof that the kidneys are blad to the convincing proof that the kidneys are blad to the convincing proof that the kidneys are blad to the convincing proof that the convincing proof the convincing proof that the convincing proof the convin

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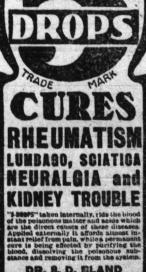
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