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## EMINENT UTTERANCES ON TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

Under this head will be printed from time to time noteworthy utterances on themes of current interest. They will be taken from public addresses, books, magazines, newspapers, in fact wherever we may find them. Sometimes these selections will accord with our views and the views of our readers, sometimes the opposite will be true. But by reason of the subject matter, the style, the authorship, or the views expressed, each will have an element of timely interest to make it a conspicuous utterance.

### More Convenient to the Largest Number.

Lincoln Journal.

Gastonia is making a determined effort to have the county seat moved from Dallas to that place. An election will be held on April 22nd. Since Gastonia is the center of the trade for the county, it seems that the court house at that place would be more convenient to the largest number of the citizens.

### A Fact That Ought to Impress.

Blake Johnson, In Progressive Farmer.

There is one thing that I would like to impress on the mind of every cotton raiser, and that is, that it takes the same labor for an acre whether the yield is three hundred or twelve hundred pounds. \* \* \* Plant the best ground and let what is worn out grow pine timber for future generations.

### The Morally Stunted Come Up Smiling.

Charlotte Observer.

You never know how the Morally Stunted are going to look at a thing or what they are really thinking. Here in North Carolina when the Watta liquor bill was introduced in the Legislature and while it was under discussion they screamed as if they were being half killed. Since it has passed and the Legislature has adjourned you can see one of them grin a quarter of a mile.

### Advice that Pleaseth the Devil.

Charlotte Presbyterian Standard.

We wonder if the devil does not applaud the sentiment that the preacher should never preach politics, as that phrase is generally meant, namely, that he should never "cry aloud and spare not" such institutions of evil as the saloon and the lottery. It was a saloon politician who advised a Baptist editor the other day that it would be a great deal better for him just to edit his paper, and let "politics" alone.

### The Future of Ireland.

Richmond News-Leader.

The British empire practically is an enormous republic and the tendencies of its government and customs and of the spirit of its people are becoming more strongly republican year after year. We do not believe the Irish people scattered all around this planet will celebrate many more Patrick's days with the feeling that they are representatives of an unhappy and a backward country. Probably Ireland never will be separated from the British empire but all the signs indicate that before very long she will be given full rights and considerations and opportunity as part of the empire, and will be allowed to obtain the development to which her natural strength of soil, situation and population entitle her.

### Reducing the Tariff a Remedy Against High Prices.

Ex-Senator Vest, of Missouri.

"I do not think that taking the duty from anthracite coal has completely broken down the Dingley tariff law, but it certainly has caused the lowering of prices and committed the Republicans to the admission that taking off or reducing tariff duties on the trust articles is the proper remedy for the relief of the American consumer. They were compelled either to repudiate the recommendation of President Roosevelt that the duty should be taken from anthracite coal or admit that he told the truth in his message when he said that taking off the duty would give a remedy, in the event of a crisis in coal prices.

"If removing the duty in the case of anthracite coal is the proper remedy in order to escape from the clutches of the coal barons, the same remedy is the proper one in the case of all other trusts and from this there is no possible escape. The trusts are created and sustained by the enormous duties of the Dingley law, and the Democrats should make the fight in 1904 for a revision of the tariff."

### The Hope of Every Faithful Preacher.

Charlotte Presbyterian Standard.

We have always felt a warm admiration for Mr. Cleveland's civic virtues. We are rather proud of having ridden forty-two miles on horseback to cast a vote for him. While we understand fully the opposition to him both in its strength and its sincerity we have hoped that with the passing of the years and the certainty that he was beyond the reach of any further political activities or ambitions, he would reap this side the grave the reward of honor that history is certain to bestow upon him. However that may be, the testimony which he gave last week, regarding the influence upon his life of one sermon, is well worth repeating and suggests its own lessons of helpfulness and cheer.

It is more than probable that the sermon is one of the forgotten sermons that Beecher preached, that the parable of the two young men that so seized the mind and heart of a simple country boy, the son himself of a Presbyterian preacher, was but the exaltation of the commonplace. But now, fifty years afterwards, this boy has become one of the famous men of America, thrice nominated and twice elected to the Presidency, carrying in all three elections a large majority of the suffrages of his countrymen and leaving for all that came after him traditions of integrity in office and the unswerving purpose to do the right as he saw the right, which is one of the heartening influences in politics and government for this twentieth century. And the man attributes, modestly, his own fixedness of character to the influence of an illustration of a sermon.

What a reward that, for the preacher of the Gospel! Who knows into what fertile soil the seed may fall! Here is the hope of every faithful worker for Christ, that by the blessing of God, in the years to come, the corn of wheat that fell to the ground and died may bring forth fruit an hundred fold.

### A NEGRESS IN "SOCIETY."

One of the New York 400 Does the Cake Walk With a Colored Sourette at Delmonico's.

New York Press.

Gleefully ignoring the "color line," Robert Hargous walked with Mrs. Ada Overton Walker, a dark-skinned brunette, at his dinner in honor of Mrs. Arthur Paget, in Delmonico's a few nights ago. A crowd of fashionable folk viewed the unusual dance.

"To be sure, Mrs. Walker was there as a hired entertainer, but she acquitted herself as a "good fellow" so commendably that Hargous ordered the orchestra to play a waltz. He bowed gallantly to the dusky matron, and with her woolly pate cushioned on his shirt front they danced. This recognition of the equality of the races was made in the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. de Forest, Mrs. Frederic Neilson, Mr. and Mrs. Jules S. Bache, Mr. Arthur Paget, Mr. and Mrs. William Jay, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Oakley Rhineland, Elisha Dyer, Jr., Mrs. George Law, James V. Parcer, Charles M. Robinson and Stuyvesant Le Roy.

Nor was the host the only one to honor the dancer. For an hour Mrs. Walker enjoyed the attention of all the guests, and before she bade farewell to the chivalrous Hargous they danced a cake walk, that is, Mrs. Walker danced and Hargous manipulated the cane and his handkerchief.

### DANCED AT PARTIES.

The dusky dancer followed up her triumph by appearing in Mrs. Paget's apartment in the Waldorf on the next afternoon, and when Mrs. George Law gave a dinner on the following night Mrs. Walker was again the bright particular star.

Now that all society is aghast at the recklessness of elevating a colored actress to its own high level, public denials are forthcoming, but Harry Seamon, of Hurting and Seaman, who escorted Mrs. Walker to Delmonico's affairs that she danced with Hargous. She now has a record that Paderewski, Ethel Barrymore, Kate Barry or other professional favorites of society never have equaled.

She will follow up her social conquest. She will go abroad soon—after she has finished teaching the fashionable women under Mrs. Paget's auspices how to dance the cakewalk, the serpentine and buck-and-wing. On next Monday afternoon she will have her first class in the Waldorf. To belong to this class is a distinction barely overshadowed by being on Mrs. Astor's invitation list.

Although Mrs. Walker made her debut in society only a few nights ago, she has acquired some high bred mannerisms. Her "a's" have broadened. Her conversation is punctuated by "Really now," "Don't you know" and "Oh fancy!" In her dressing room in a Broadway theatre last night she was preparing for her sourette role. Elise, a slightly dusky maid, was piling high the midnight "kinks" of the young woman. Mrs. Walker was arrayed in a white silk eider down robe.

"ALL VERY PROPER, YOU KNOW."

"Really now, this is astonishing," said she. "Why should all this fuss be made? I was Mr. Hargous's partner for a waltz, and we cake-walked together. It was all very proper and rather good sport, and I found the dinner company charming, you know. My husband was not with me. That is not fashionable you know. Mr. Seamon was my escort. When I came in they were playing bridge. Then I sang a bit and danced a bit, and there you are. I was there for an hour or more. No indeed I was not entertaining all the while. What was I doing? Oh, chatting—small talk, you know.

"Do you know all this notoriety is most annoying to me? My rouge now, Elise. What gown did I wear that night? Aren't you rather inquisitive? What frock was it Elise? Oh, yes; it was Irish point lace, relieved with blue chiffon—a rather simple affair, but appropriate. Mrs. Paget is extremely considerate, you know. She was awfully good about offering me her automobile. But you see, I always use my little brougham. We are creatures of habit aren't we? I shall spend my summer abroad. Now please don't quote me, because it is not pleasant to be in the newspapers."

"RIDICULOUS," SAYS MRS. PAGET. "It is misrepresentation to say there was any familiarity with the girl who sang," said Mrs.

Arthur Paget. "I saw no one dance with her and all this gossip is most ridiculous."

"I know nothing of Mrs. Walker or the occurrence in Delmonico's," said Robert Hargous. "Besides it is a subject I prefer not to discuss."

"The colored woman was at my house as a hired entertainer, and no more," said Mrs. George Law. "Of course, she was treated with politeness by every one. How else should a servant be treated by men and women of breeding? This girl danced and sang amusingly, and that is all there is to it. Naturally we resent the avalanche of gossip her managers are rousing."

"I call this unmitigated impudence," said one of the guests. "It will teach us to select our entertainers with care. I know the girl is not responsible for the 'hurrab.' It was her manager who brought her to the dinner and who will reap the benefits of this nauseating notoriety. It would be an injustice to my host to say whether he waltzed with the young woman. Some persons left the dinner, you know, before Mrs. Walker did."

### PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN IS ON

It Opens in Cincinnati, a Fact Which Nobody Can Deny.

New York Evening Post.

It is astonishing how early and at how many different places the Presidential campaign of 1904 begins. We intended to claim the real starting point for New York, by showing that the fate of both parties would depend upon the success of some candidate for mayor next fall, but Senator Foraker has anticipated us by announcing that Cincinnati has superior claims. The Democrats of that city have nominated Mr. Ingalls, the well known railway manager, for mayor, and the Republicans have named a Mr. Fleischmann, not believed by Foraker to be "equally as good."

The overwhelming reason, according to Foraker, why Fleischmann should be elected is that "this is the beginning of the great campaign of next year." He says "it is impossible to disguise this fact," from which we infer that the Democrats are doing everything possible to conceal it, and are pretending that nothing but municipal issues, such as the rule of Boss Cox, are fit to be considered. Foraker will tear off that mask. He will show that not only in Cincinnati but in all the cities of the Union the Democrats are making believe that they are trying to reform local abuses while they are actually aiming to defeat the Republican party next year. The proof of this is that "everywhere they are preaching harmony and perfecting their organization."

What better evidence could you have than that? If they were everywhere preaching discord and allowing their organization to fall to pieces there might be some ground for saying that the nomination of such a man as Ingalls was intended for the sole benefit of Cincinnati, but when they are avowedly harmonious and energetic their designs must be dark indeed. In short, Foraker thinks that if Ingalls is elected mayor he will be "in line for the governorship of Ohio, and the Presidency." That would be awful.

### Plundering the Public Domain.

Boston Herald.

The secret of some of the hostility to the President that has grown up in the far Western States is due to his inclination to prevent the "rustlers" and land robbers of those States from doing the nation a vast amount of harm. The mountain States are opposed to making national reservations of forest lands so that the plunder of them may be regulated. Their politicians are as they always have been, the allies of the plunderers of the public domain. No measure looking to the effective staying of the ravagers of mountain slopes that are public land can be proposed in Congress without encountering the prompt hostility of Western Senators and Congressmen, who are indifferent to the public interest in public property. Also, there is going on in some of the Western States an organized system of fraudulent land grabbing by obtaining fake settlers to take up land in order to transfer their holdings to syndicates who design controlling it is a monopoly. Bills aiming to put a stop to this and similar plundering schemes had no show in a Congress controlled by Republicans.

William Holt and a negro man were killed Friday at High Point by the bursting of a fly wheel on a feed cutter which they were operating.

### EASTERN AND WESTERN MEN.

The West Is Always Prepared to Supply the Demand for Enthusiasm.

Chicago Tribune.

President Eliot, of Harvard College, has of late been exposing the weak spots in political life, in the school administration, in the religious situation, in the domestic economy, and in racial responsibility. He has announced many theories, floated several airy speculations, sounded many keynotes, and kindly pointed out national and individual incompetencies, big and little, sometimes in an airy and delightful and sometimes in a grave and sorrowing manner. As a rule his strictures have been cheerfully received by the public, the only faint sound, perhaps, being that they follow each other so rapidly that one is not digested before two or three more are tendered.

Usually deference has been paid to President Eliot's suggestions. Once in a while, however, protest has to be made, and such an occasion is now at hand. The whole "wild and woolly West" will rise up in protest against his latest declaration that "Eastern men seem to get things done and accomplish their purposes quicker than Western men. The difference between Eastern and Western men, I notice, is that Eastern men bottle up their enthusiasm, while Western men let it pop out. Enthusiasm is natural steam. It doesn't become effective unless it is confined. It must be confined in the cylinder and not let out except to do work." This is a most extraordinary statement. Has President Eliot been much in the West? Does he know much of the Western cyclone, the Western rough rider, the Western cowboy, the Western hustler, the promoter, and the Western business man? Enthusiasm? Why, enthusiasm is the natural product of the West, as it is of all new places. Who looks for enthusiasm in old, conservative communities, where routine is religion and tradition is law, and precedent dictates action? There is so much enthusiasm in the West that it will not stay bottled. It is working all the time, and the ferment is so strong that if it did not find vent the bottle would have to go. The boundless rural West is manufacturing enthusiasm all the time and supplying it to its cities. When the cities get an oversupply, as happens every now and then, it is sent to the East. Chicago alone has stocked New York, and Boston, and Philadelphia with enthusiasm. It has sent them enthusiastic students, professors, ministers, lawyers, politicians, merchants, financiers, and promoters. They are the men who, according to President Eliot, are "getting things done and accomplishing their purposes quickly." The West is the great supply depot of enthusiasm for the East. That effete section might get stagnant were it not for the supply of "I Wills" which the wide-awake West is continually sending to it. Even the country's President, strenuous as he is by nature, comes West every chance he can get for a re-enforcement of enthusiasm. If the president of Harvard would follow his example more frequently the pace of Harvard would be greatly accelerated and the president would have some difficulty in keeping the bottle corked.

### On the Point of View.

Omnibus Rec.

Col. Bryan says he won't bolt, but that if any bolting is to be done the other fellow will have to do it. Which does the bolting all depends on the point of view.

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