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"Evy little bit" helps that's in favor  
of Thaw in his trial.

The Thaw trial in New York City  
is the drawing card. It is per contra  
to the weather in that city.

The killing of New York's great  
architect was a "White (d) sepulchre"  
for Thaw.

Instead of the "black problem,"  
we now have the "yellow peril," in  
the school question.

In naval warfare, there are no  
gunners on earth the equal of Uncle  
Sam's. They hit the bull's eye every  
time.

Those "brave, little brown men,"  
who had our good wishes during the  
Russo-Japan War, are now asking  
us to "step on the tail of their coat."  
They forget that Dewey and Schley  
are "doing business at the same old  
stand."

The Legislature will pass a two-  
cent passenger rate for big railroads,  
like the Southern and Atlantic Coast  
Line, the Seaboard two and one-half  
cents and smaller roads at a higher  
figure. When earnings are \$1,550  
per mile, the rate will be two cents  
per mile, etc.

The United States should "call"  
Japan's bluff. It is ridiculous for  
President Roosevelt to cater to the  
"little brown men" in trying to over-  
ride the school laws of San Francisco.  
The next step would be that  
Japan would be telling Congress how  
to govern the United States. Give  
us a Hobson navy and let Japan  
"show her hand."

The examination of several mem-  
bers of a company (D.) of the negro  
troops before a U. S. Senate committee  
this week, shows, according  
to a colored sergeant's evidence,  
that his (D.) company is as innocent  
of participation in the Brownsville  
"shoot-up" as a two-months-old lamb.  
And perhaps all other companies will  
make as good a showing, if their side  
of the question is taken. But some  
of the citizens of Brownsville were  
"shot down."

### COMPULSORY SCHOOL LAW.

Supt. J. Y. Joyner has recommend-  
ed to the Legislature a plan for a  
compulsory school law which is con-  
servative enough for any community.  
Compulsory attendance is made sub-  
ject to the discretion of the County  
Board of Education and to the will  
of the majority of the people, as ex-  
pressed by petition or vote, except  
where the enrollment and attendance  
fall so low as to furnish evidence of  
such ignorance and indifference to  
education as to render compulsory  
attendance without petition or vote  
necessary without petition or vote  
necessary for getting the children in  
school. In this case it is still left to  
the discretion of the County Board  
of Education.

About 146,000 white children were  
not in the public schools last year!  
What a sad commentary upon the  
law-makers of North Carolina, after  
the grand educational campaign  
brought by the Educational Govern-  
or, Aycock, whose brilliant record  
in that line exceeded all others; but  
ex-Governor Aycock did not recom-  
mend compulsory education; he  
thought the time was not ripe for  
such an innovation. But that is where  
he made a mistake: the time is al-  
ways ripe to enact a law to crush  
out ignorance, as poverty begets  
crime, and a generation of ignorant  
people will generally beget a genera-  
tion of igroamuses, unless the State  
stands between the illiterate chil-  
dren and their ignorant, sordid pa-  
rents, who live by the labor of their  
children, who should be in a school-  
room instead of a cotton or other  
factory. While we are in favor of a  
State law, Prof. Joyner's proposi-  
tion is a good starter in that direc-  
tion.

President Roosevelt says we would  
not find a Spain in war with Japan.  
Neither would Japan find a Russia  
in a war with Uncle Sam. Who ever  
heard of even a heathen nation who  
did not even gain one victory during  
a two-years' war? Russia is the only  
exception of a civilized or uncivilized  
nation that did not gain a single vic-  
tory on land or sea.

### Very Much Legless.

Harry Blare, of Bayonne, N. J.,  
both of whose legs were cut off sev-  
eral years ago by a railroad train,  
and who gets around on wooden legs  
he whittled himself, was painting the  
side of a house near his home yester-  
day when he slipped from the ladder  
and fell to the ground. Both his  
wooden legs were broken, but  
otherwise Blare escaped. He was  
carried home, where he screwed on  
another pair of legs, and said he  
would be out painting to-day.—New  
York American.

### The Man Who Did.

Mrs. Susan Young Gates, the  
daughter of Brigham Young, is a  
trustee of the Salt Lake University  
and a lecturer of note.

"Woman must work for her own  
advancement," she said, in a recent  
address in Salt Lake City, "but she  
must not selfishly neglect her other  
duties for this work.

"Is there a man present," a fe-  
male lecturer once shrieked, 'who  
has ever helped in the slightest de-  
gree to lighten his wife's burden?  
Is there a man here who has ever  
gotten up at 5 o'clock, leaving his  
tired wife to sleep on undisturbed,  
and, dressing quietly, gone down  
stairs, raked up the fire, cooked

breakfast, washed and dressed the  
children, scoured the pots and pans,  
swept the kitchen, scraped the dish-  
es, and done all this, if necessary,  
day after day without complaint?"  
The lecturer looked her audience  
over with disdain. 'If there is such  
a man here,' she said, 'let him rise  
that all may see and praise him.'

"Then a mild little man in a back  
seat rose timidly. He was the lec-  
turer's husband." — Kansas City  
Journal.

### Contract Awarded for New Bridge.

The Board of County Commission-  
ers have awarded a contract to the  
Southern Engineering Company for  
the erection of a steel bridge over  
Neuse River to replace what is known  
as the Powell bridge. The bridge  
is to cost \$2,825, and is to be similar  
to the Lawrence Bridge.

On motion, it was ordered that the  
convicts at Camp No. 2, now station-  
ed in the southern part of the coun-  
ty, be moved to Mark's Township.

The following jurors were drawn  
for the term of court convening Feb-  
ruary 18th:

**First Week.**—J. D. Lee, T. R.  
Cooper, M. C. King, A. M. Powell,  
James Weathers, E. H. King, C. H.  
Perry, J. H. Allen, Chas. N. Evans,  
J. A. Bailey, W. E. Stone, W. S. Bras-  
wel, J. L. Jones, R. A. Glenn, James  
Sanders, r., J. C. Medlin, W. H.  
Richardson, R. J. Lacy, J. H. King,  
J. F. Mitchell, J. M. Herndon, D. G.  
Mangum, J. C. Thompson and Chas.  
Finch.

**Second Week.**—L. W. Strickland,  
Ben Scott, C. H. Emery, W. T. Dil-  
lard, O. P. Hay, W. B. Bowling, C.  
E. Stephens, S. R. Lee, A. G. Denton,  
D. S. O'Daniel, C. Hutchings, I. K.  
Jones, J. S. Baker, James Holder, J.  
E. Booker, J. F. Stanback, O. J.  
King and W. S. Hockady.

### More Courtship After Marriage.

Some men seem to consider their  
marriage certificate as a sort of fully  
paid-up policy of happiness. They  
act as if the courtship days were  
those of paying premiums of compli-  
ment, cheerfulness, courtesy, consid-  
eration and chivalry, and that mar-  
riage cuts off all these premiums of  
lover-like attention. The only way  
to get an absolutely guaranteed in-  
surance on matrimony is to keep  
paying the premiums. Many first-  
class matrimonial policies lapse just  
because of these suspended pay-  
ments.

There is a tendency to assume that  
this love is known and recognized,  
so why speak of it? This is a dan-  
gerous taking for granted of what  
should be made real, pulsing and  
vital in thought, word and deed.  
There is little danger of over-telling  
this story; it is often the wine of life  
and inspiration to one hungering and  
thirsting for the little tendernesses  
of affection. There are more peo-  
ple on this great, big, rolling earth  
hungering for sweetness, tenderness  
and words of appreciation, genial  
confidence and generous affection  
than are starving for bread. With  
husband and wife these delicate mes-  
sengers of affection cost so little—  
sometimes only a thought but it is  
the thought that is all.

Continued courtship after mar-  
riage preserves the lover in the hus-  
band and the sweetheart in the wife.  
But courtship is not solitaire; like  
a quarrel, it requires two to make  
it a success. It is not the wife alone  
who needs the gracious sweetness of  
concentrated comradeship, for hus-  
bands who are built on the right  
lines have the same hunger for lov-  
ing kindness and kindly loving.

Courtship is a vessel of promise  
that is often wrecked on the shoals  
of matrimony. Courtship means two  
mates without a captain; marriage  
sometimes becomes two captains  
without a mate.—From the October  
Delineator.

### OPINIONS IN A NUTSHELL.

February is the worst month of  
the year—but spring follows it.—  
Philadelphia Inquirer.

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Texas oil wells are said to be run-  
ning dry, but the stock in them holds  
as much water as ever.—Philadel-  
phia Ledger.

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As to the Swettenham episode, Ad-  
miral Davis is mute; but his country-  
men are saying it for him.—Phila-  
delphia Inquirer.

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The trouble is that many of those  
folks who feel that they must "think  
for the President" only think they  
think.—New York Herald.

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Some people have an idea that it  
would be a good thing to enforce the  
Constitution we have before reaching  
out for a new one.—Philadelphia  
Press.

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It is expected that the Thaw trial  
will begin in a week or two if it isn't  
discovered that some of the jurors  
wear blue socks.—Philadelphia North  
American.

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Senator Guggenheim, of Colorado,  
it seems, boasts that he began life  
barefooted, but, at that, he hasn't  
anything on the rest of us.—New  
York Herald.

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It seems that even when a man  
gets on the Thaw jury he isn't sure  
he has a steady job. Some days they  
bounce out as many as they pull in.—  
Philadelphia Press.

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It is becoming clear that Mr. Bev-  
eridge intends to occupy all the time  
of the Senate. Even then much of  
his best thought will be lost for want  
of sufficient canning facilities.—New  
York Sun.

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Amicable relations with California  
have been arranged at Washington,  
and it is hoped that Japan will be  
equally amenable to reason.—Phila-  
delphia Inquirer.

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It is not improbable that some of  
our dignified statesmen will hereaf-  
ter be rather shy of the performances  
on the Gridiron chef or more cautious  
as to the potency of the wine.—Phila-  
delphia Record.

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The earnings in 1906 of the United  
States Steel Corporation were \$156,-  
619,111. Mr. Corey will probably be  
able to support his next wife in the  
style to which she had been accus-  
tomed.—New York Mail.

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Remove from the numbers of men  
accounted successful all such as have  
succeeded only in seeming to succeed  
and then all such as owe everything  
to opportunity, and if any remain  
they will be too lonesome to be en-  
vied by anybody.—New York World.

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The Delaware Legislature has de-  
cided unanimously to continue the  
whipping-post for wife-beaters. There  
has just been introduced also in the  
House of that State a measure to tax  
bachelors. It looks as though our  
Delaware sisters might get the best  
of their men folks "going and com-  
ing."—New York Tribune.

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Senator Isidor Rayner's speech in  
the Senate on Executive expansion  
merits the attention of the judicious,  
not as a Democratic attack upon the  
present Republican Chief Magistrate  
of the United States, but as a some-  
what vividly illustrated exposition of  
tendencies which patriotic Democrats  
and Republicans alike should de-  
plore. It almost deserves to be print-  
ed as a campaign document by both  
parties in the coming Presidential  
election.—New York Sun.