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12:15 am	1:14 am		

*Saturday only. †Except Saturday.

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Some New York farmers asked the state commision of agriculture in New York city to undertake to persuade families to go from the city into the country for the summer, and work on the land. Even if they had to work for their board and car fare, life in the open would be worth while to many growing boys who ordinarily have to spend the hot months cooped up in the crowded town.

The agents sent here by the little nations on the outskirts of the civilized world and their lots rich in heartaches. They are alone among a people to them alien in speech, customs and ideals. That is the acme of loneliness. Their power is negligible, their standing noticed only by the official happening to be in the State Department when they call. And their labor is, as a rule, to beg their countries out of trouble with the offended United States or to beseech the American republic's aid in escaping the wrath of some other big power. Worse than that, there is usually trouble at home, in the treasury or on the throne itself, acute and keeping the ministers' nerves on edge.

When it comes to any danger of German invasion of England, it is not worth considering. It is true that Great Britain has in her history been overrun and conquered by the Romans, the Norsemen and the Normans, but under very different circumstances from any that now exist. Such an attempt on the part of Germany could only be made after having waged a successful war on the sea, disabling the British navy, and then it would be impossible to land a force large enough to be a peril before it would be confronted by many times its number and driven into the sea. Englishmen can be trusted to defend their homes if need be, but it is almost impossible to imagine conditions under which any invasion of Great Britain would be attempted. There is everywhere a profound and growing desire among nations for deep peace, and a realization that the best use to put another country to is not to fight it, but to trade with it.

President Gomez seems to appreciate fully the spirit of his people which is the source of greatest danger to the national life of Cuba. He furthermore has the courage to speak plainly regarding it in his message to the Cuban congress, hoping that the new republic, through self-discipline, may curb the characteristics for which southern races in general are unfortunately noted. The Cuban president links the tendency to form and mantain third parties with the individual tendency toward rebellion against everything wearing the badge of discipline or authority. Perhaps the manifestation of the rebellious tendency is not due so much to antagonism to all authority as it is to authority directed by another person. The great trouble with many of the Cuban people, those fitted only to be hewers of wood and drawers of water, is that they want to be generals or governors. There are others of more or less capacity who are natural marplots. It may seem unbecoming to hurl criticism at leaders who place personal ambition above stability of government as long as we have made great progress in our own country, but it is a fact that the personal equation finds its most grotesque manifestations among our southern neighbors. Thus far the government of the new Cuba has dealt admirably with the evil that is recognized to be the great national peril. The summary treatment of an incipient insurrection, which tended to inflame the spirit of which Gomez complains, set a good example. If there is firm dealing with the chronic malcontents and at the same time the masses are educated up to sound ideas of the object of government, the Cuban ship of state, it is to be hoped, will find its course lying in calm waters. The country's finances are in good condition, and all that appears necessary to the republic's success is a willingness to work for the prosperity of all and the cultivation of the true national spirit.

All true labor is sacred, and "blessed is he who has found his work," says Carlyle. An American poet extols labor as life, worship, glory, honor and other beautiful things. While the poets and moralists and makers of saws and maxims unite in the praise of industry, there are but few who have any good words for idleness. One of the first rhymes taught children is that "Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do." The example of the ant and the busy bee are held up as worthy of human imitation, and we are gravely informed that "though slaves may indulge in sloth, it is a most royal thing to labor." The importance of being up and doing betimes is illustrated by such familiar proverbs as "the early bird catches the worm." But all the while the fact is ignored that if the worm were not up and stirring when he might just as well be in bed, he wouldn't be caught by the early bird; and we know perfectly well that slaves never can or do indulge in sloth, and are well aware that the ant and busy bee only work the first half of their lives, in order to lay up a store which will enable them to pass the other half in eating and sleeping. While agreeing with Carlyle that to have found one's true work is blessedness, we need not believe it is a blessed thing to work all the time. While most people are overwhelmed with work, the few who are overwhelmed with leisure do not begin to derive the enjoyment from it that the busy man obtains from his little snatches of idleness. To stand idle in the market place and cry, "No man has hired me," is not pleasant to the starving man. For him the "dolce far niente" has no delights, but when it comes to the reward of work well done, it is sweet. Dr. Johnson, himself a great worker, said that "all hope some day to be idle." They are willing to toil up the hill of life in their early years in the hope of descending its downward slope in idleness. Wouldn't it be better to throw little episodes of idleness into one's early life, and not work so hard as to bring decrepitude into one's later years? Between labor and idleness there should be a golden mean.

UNCLE JOSHUA'S FLIES.

Occasion for Aunt Eliza's Statement of Matrimonial Philosophy.

Uncle Joshua was catching flies. Uncle Joshua's method of catching flies was to stalk them one by one, following them about the room with a stealthy shuffle and bringing his big hand down with a jauderous slap, which nine flies out of ten easily evaded. It must be confessed that if a fly was caught, it proved fatal.

Betty, watching Aunt Eliza beat up a pan of gingerbread in the kitchen, listened to the shuffle and thump and muttered exclamations till it got upon her nerves. Aunt Eliza's face, over the gingerbread, was full of placid content. Finally Betty could stand it no longer.

"Aunt Eliza," she asked, "doesn't it drive you wild to hear Uncle Joshua catch flies?"

Aunt Eliza laughed. "Bless you, no, child. It don't hurt the flies any. By and by, when I get round to it, I'll drive them out. There ain't more'n half a dozen in there, ever, but he likes to think he's clearing them out."

"But he thumps so," Betty answered, laughing, and yet persistent.

Aunt Eliza glanced at Betty's left hand, and her wise eyes became grave.

"There was a time once," she said, slowly, "when Joshua's chasing flies nearly drove me wild. It was the second year we were married. If we'd discovered nerves in those days, I suppose I'd have said it got on my nerves, and gone off to a rest-cure or something. As we hadn't, I fought it out myself.

"Joshua was real kind and thoughtful and a generous provider—in all the big things, I knew he was a man in a hundred. And he was patient, too, over my quick speeches.

"Then I thought about the other men I knew. Eli Potter used to sit with his feet in the oven—I couldn't have stood that, anyway. And Jacob Jarvis was the worst hand for tracking in mud you ever saw, and Joat Kilgrove never would wear a collar, even to church—and so it went. It seemed as if every man had to let off steam somewhere; and when I thought it all over, I concluded that flies were about the best of the lot; they don't last more'n three months, anyway.

"So after that when Joshua chased flies, I'd go and do something I specially liked to do till 'twas over, and presently it got so I didn't mind it a bit. Mercy sakes, child, the best man that ever lived will have some little way or other that you'll have to get around. The secret is in seeing how little it is beside his love."

Betty, looking thoughtfully at her ring, was silent. From the sitting room came a thump and a triumphant exclamation. Uncle Joshua had caught a fly.—Youth's Companion.

On His Side:

Satan danced in mad glee as he held the sheet and gibbed over the spring fashions.

"Why do you rejoice?" asked a sad shade.

"Somebody loves me," smiled Satan. "Who loves you?"

"The man who invented styles for women."

FIVE THOUSAND SLAIN BY MOSLEM FANATICS

Information Through Consular Channels Places High Estimate on Number of Victims

SULTAN'S ABDICATION RUMORED

Young Turk Forces Surround Constantinople and Abdul Hamid Declared Ready to Yield All.

Five thousand persons lost their lives in the massacres in the vilayet of Adana, Asia Minor, during eight days as a result of the outbreak of Moslem fanaticism. Two thousand were killed in the city of Adana, more than 200 of the victims being Moslems. This information was received in Constantinople through consular channels.

Abdul Hamid II. has abdicated the throne of the Ottoman Empire, according to a dispatch sent in cipher from Constantinople and received in London. The young Turks have issued a proclamation naming Mohammed Rechad Effendi, Abdul Hamid's brother, as his successor.

A report that Sultan Abdul Hamid had abdicated caused the greatest excitement in the lobbies of Parliament and spread with lightning-like rapidity throughout the city of Constantinople. A rumor of the flight of the Sultan on a warship followed closely on that of his abdication, but neither could be confirmed.

Large crowds gathered at the British embassy, where, other reports had it, the Sultan had taken refuge, and there were scores of inquiries at the Russian embassy concerning the truth of the rumor that his majesty was under the protection of Russia on one of its guard ships. At both of these embassies all knowledge of the Sultan's movements was denied, and the Turkish foreign office also gave a strong denial to one and all of these rumors.

The abdication of Abdul Hamid, however, seems not improbable, and it appears that the constitutionalists may accept as his successor Prince Yussof Izzedin, the eldest son of the late Sultan, who is second in line, as they are strongly displeased with Abdul Hamid's attitude. The palace was under strong guard, and even high officials were not permitted to enter it.

All the forts surrounding Constantinople, from the Sea of Marmora to the Black Sea, are occupied by the constitutional troops, and the soldiers supporting the Young Turks are advancing upon the capital. A telegram from Smyrna, Asiatic Turkey, says that Andre Kopassis Effendi, Prince of Samos, an appointee of the Sultan, was murdered. American missionaries at Mersina are safe, according to a cable dispatch received in New York.

BREAD COST RISES.

New York Fears Famine Rates If Wheat Corner Is Not Broken.

With flour up 40 cents a barrel and the prospects apparently good for a further rise, New York City is now facing the possibility of bread at 7 cents a loaf. What will appear to hundreds of thousands in the poorer quarters like famine rates for this staple bid fair to be forced as a result of the recent rise in the price of wheat. The Ghetto of New York has already felt the effect of the bonanza of the Chicago wheat pit. Six cents a loaf is the price now charged by some bakeries, while the proprietors of hundreds of others declare that they cannot continue selling at 5 cents much longer, with flour of the better grades costing from $7 to $7.20 a barrel, against $6.40 to $6.80 a few days ago. They add, moreover, that with flour permanently up to the rates recently quoted even 6 cents would not give them any sort of a profit.

DEMAND $6,000 OR WILL KILL.

Members of a Gang Terrorize Minnesota Farmer with Grave Threats.

Six young men have been arrested in Preston, Minn., on suspicion of threatening murder and kidnaping. Their names are kept secret until others believed to belong to the same gang are gathered in. Emil Dreckman, a farmer, is the complainant. He says he recently received a letter demanding $6,000 in cash and when he ignored it a second note warned him to hurry with the payment. Later his horse was surrounded one night by a crowd of fifteen men and boys who fired shots and shouted threats. Promising to kill any who invaded his home, he held the gang at bay until daylight, when all left. A box of dynamite was found on his porch and a note saying if he did not pay, his little boy would be stolen or himself killed. The investigation and arrests followed.

CHURCH'S $1,000 BILL BAD.

Counterfeit of Big Denomination in Collection Plate at Worship.

The discovery that the $1,000 bill found in the collection place of the First Methodist Church at Roscoe, Pa., a week ago Sunday, is a spurious note has led the authorities to the conclusion that a gang of clever counterfeiters is operating in that section, and sending out "phoney" bills of large denominations. When the Roscoe church found the note, thinking that it had been given by mistake for a smaller denomination, they advertised for the owner. Then they discovered at a local bank that it was counterfeit. The Postoffice Department was notified, and branded the counterfeit as one of the most clever that had ever been circulated.

OCEAN NOTE ASKS AID FOR GIRL

Writer Tells of Being Drugged at San Francisco and Taken to Sea.

After drifting for weeks in the Pacific Ocean, a message purporting to tell of the plight of Rosaline Rockayn, a Denver girl, who was drugged at San Francisco and carried out to sea by a man, was washed up on the water front at Oakland, Cal. The paper was contained in a bottle which the girl threw from the cabin porthole of her prison ship, trusting that her appeal would reach some one who would inform her relatives and bring about her release.

ABDUL HAMID — THE MOSQUE OF SAINT SOFIA — TURKISH TROOPS ON THE MARCH

DENOUNCES WHEAT DEAL.

Secretary Wilson Predicts Patten's Corner Will "Go to Smash."

James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture, said in answer to James A. Patten's charges that the figures of the department of Agriculture concerning the wheat supply were inaccurate and untrustworthy: "Our figures are correct. That fellow in Chicago is engaged in a scheme to rob the consumer and to make money."

SEC. WILSON.

If Mr. Patten is correct there is a serious shortage in wheat in America. If Secretary Wilson is correct there is no shortage at all, but only an artificial famine engendered by Mr. Patten for speculative purposes. Also, if Secretary Wilson is correct, Mr. Patten's deal will go to smash soon.

The Secretary of Agriculture insists that the government's report to the effect that there were 143,000,000 bushels of reserve wheat in the farmers' hands on March 1 was strictly correct and that he knows where the wheat is. "We do not get our information from postmasters!" explained Secretary Wilson angrily when the Patten statement was shown him. "We get it from farmers who are reliable, conscientious men. We have been perfecting our system for gathering information for the last twelve years, and it is as correct and thorough as it is possible to get. To corner the wheat market successfully nowadays you have to keep buying and buying and buying. Finally the time comes when you can't buy any more, and then the smash comes."

FIGHT FOR THE PENNANTS.

Standing of Clubs in the Principal Base Ball Leagues.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	W.	L.		W.	L.
Cincinnati	5	1	Brooklyn	2	3
Boston	4	1	Pittsburg	2	3
New York	2	2	St. Louis	2	4
Chicago	2	3	Phil'd'lphia	1	3

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	W.	L.		W.	L.
Detroit	5	1	Phil'd'lphia	2	3
Cleveland	3	3	St. Louis	2	3
New York	4	2	Washington	2	4
Boston	3	2	Chicago	1	4

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

	W.	L.		W.	L.
Indian'p'lis	5	1	Toledo	2	4
Louisville	5	1	Kan. City	1	4
Milwaukee	4	1	St. Paul	1	3
Minneapolis	4	2	Columbus	0	6

Boats Clear from Buffalo.

Navigation was opened Friday, when ten big lake freighters plowed their way through the ice and made clear water off Point Abine, about twelve miles up Lake Erie. Union pickets were active along the water front, but there was no trouble. Nine of the steamers were manned with nonunion men from engineers to deckhands.

No Liquor "Outside or In."

The Missouri House passed a prohibition law for passenger trains, making it unlawful to drink or expose intoxicating liquors on passenger trains in that State or to ride on a passenger train in an intoxicated condition. The penalty is a fine of from $5 to $25.

Iowa Has Anti-Salome Law.

Iowa's new anti-Salome dance law provides a fine and a jail sentence for any one engaging in an "indecent drama, play or exhibition, show or entertainment." The enforcement of the law is left to the sheriffs and to the police of the State.

MANY DIE IN BURNING HOTEL.

Six Bodies Found, Others Still in the Ruins of San Francisco Building.

Six bodies recovered and probably eight or ten others buried in the ruins; six injured, one fatally, and property loss of $125,000 are the results of an early morning fire that destroyed the St. George Hotel, a lodging house for laborers, and eight other small buildings in San Francisco. The bodies taken to the morgue were so charred that identification was impossible. The hotel was a three-story frame building and burned so rapidly that none of the 200 occupants had time to dress, and many escaped by jumping to the roof of an adjoining workship. Scores clambered down the ladders of the firemen and the fire escapes, and four jumped to safety into the net held by the fire fighters. Of the regular boarders thirty are unaccounted for, but it is believed that many of them escaped in the confusion and have neglected to report their safety.

ELEVATOR BOY RESCUES GIRLS.

Runs Car Through Blinding Smoke to Top of Gotham Building.

Fire in the Empire Building at Broadway and Bleecker street, New York, entrapped 150 girls working on one of the upper floors. The dense smoke was carried quickly up the elevator shaft, which was open and at the bottom of which was Tony Sarino, the elevator boy, and his car. He knew nothing of the fire until aroused by the screams from the girls on the tenth floor, who were imprisoned by the smoke which filled the elevator shaft and the stairs. Sarino shot his car through the smoke to the top of the shaft and bravely made more than a half-dozen trips to the street level, bringing many of the girls to safety. Others of the girls were brave enough to descend by the fire escapes.

ODDS & ENDS OF SPORT

A party of California turf magnates has gone to the City of Mexico to open negotiations for the operation of a race track at Tia Juana, Lower California, which is Mexican territory.

Senator Agnew's bill designed to prevent the publication of race tips and betting odds in newspapers was favorably reported by the Senate codes committee of the New York Legislature.

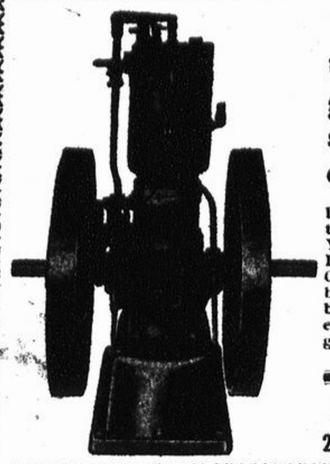
One of the prettiest finishes of the Santa Anita season at Los Angeles came in the Canopus handicap, when Czar and Glorio finished so close together that no one but the judges could determine which was the winner.

Billy Delaney, manager of Al Kaufman, has covered the $5,000 posted by Jack Johnson. Delaney states that he had decided to let Kaufman meet the negro champion, providing Johnson would make a side bet of $10,000.

With a splendid spurt of fast billiards, making an unfinished run of 167 points, George F. Slosson, the New York veteran, won a game of 18-2 in the world's championship series from Calvin Demarest, of Chicago, by a score of 500 to 207. The final run was made mostly by center space nursing and was completed in thirteen minutes.

Dave Deshler, of Cambridge, fought Packey McFarland, of Chicago, twelve rounds to a draw at the Boston Armory Athletic Association, and on announcement of the decision McFarland assaulted Referee Jack Sheehan and knocked him down.

The longest trip ever made by a college base ball team will be covered by the Brown University nine, which has accepted an invitation to participate in a series of games to be held in Seattle, Wash., beginning July 1. It is understood that six teams representing the colleges of the East Middle West and Pacific coast will take part in the series.



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