## CITIES SHOULD CLEAN UP FIRST AND THEN DRESS UP.

Cleanliness, Practicability and Efficiency Should Se Citizen's Thought.

"Dig into the consciousness of the average intelligent American citizen when discussion of any form of civic improvement is proceeding, and you are almost certain to find that he refers it all eventually to what he calls "the city beautiful movement," " says J Horace MacFarland of Harrisburg in the Philadelphia Ledger.

"He thinks of community planning in terms of civic centers, illuminated signs (the great white way), cluster lighting and other display adjuncts. His city beautiful, too, varies according to his ideals. One citizen showed his conception of the city beautiful for Newark by printing on the cover of a billboard magazine a picture of Broad street in that New Jersey metropolis. with every building bearing double decked signs urging the merits of beer and bread, of stoves and soap, of tollet powder and safety razors. Another is whitewashing of the mutilated tree trunks about the unorderly public aquare in his home town, while yet an other sees in a tawdry soldiers' monument, flanked by a monstrous flagpole. neveral dismounted cannon, some wire flower baskets and four or five enormous telephone poles, his ideal of a civic center.

"In a prosperous eastern capital city the city beautiful thought was present when a million dollar municipal building was placed in surroundings that make it grotesque, located as it is ut terly away from other public buildings or open spaces.

"All of these and others, with yet other fifty-seven varieties of misplaced civic emphasis, are sincere in their de sires for their communities. But they don't know what the city beautiful really is, and, alas, they don't know that they don't know!

"It is the city clean, the city prac tical, the city efficient, that we need in America. In fact, I believe that clean liness, practicability and efficiency must and do surely precede real beauty. told a small community a few days ago, in discussing its very serious needs, that it needed first to clean up and then to dress up."

### KANSAS CITY PARK PLAN.

New System of Taxation Successful, Producing Most Satisfactory Results.

ation system based on dividing the city

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"This system," said Mr. Kessier, "has placed the park department of Kansas City in a semi-independent position with reference to its funds and has aystem in that city.

cation of the single tax theory. It was but as a matter of necessity, and, inasquired under any other system, the taxpaying public finally acquiesced and is constantly urging an even more extensive development in order that the en- ficient tractive effort to haul a train tire city may obtain commensurate benefits through improvement in every section."

Against the Ubiquitous Billboard. Agitation against the billboard nulsance is lively in many sections and bie. On both divisions of this road in spite of much opposition will not down. Civic organizations in many trains per day, and the equipment has cities are waging a more or less bitter warfare against this universally acknowledged evil. One federation of clubs in a western state has this to say in a circular recently issued:

them. Refuse to patronize firms ad- would not occupy all the space on a soon find out it does not pay them to | miniature of a large machine and is a ridding the state of them." An active the buzz of a mosquito. It weighs campaign for legislation adverse to only one-fifth of an ounce and is sixthis objectionable form of advertising tenths of an inch thick. The little is now going on in numerous states dynamo can be used not only as a genand in the end gives promise of being erator, but as a motor, consuming in successful.

More Window Boxes Needed. Visitors to European cities note the beauty and gayety given otherwise somber business buildings by the many window boxes filled with bright foliage and brilliant or attractve blossoms. In those cities most noted for civic beauty these boxes are a marked feature of all classes of buildings both public and private. They are easily maintained with little cost of time or money, and it is strange that more city dwellers do not have them. Their bright blossoms are restful to the eye and at the same time inspiriting to the passerby as well as to the occupants of the house, and a few window boxes in a block transform it from a drear, drab chasm of

brick and stone into a vista that is

genuinely attractive.

### SYNTHETIC TANNIN.

Tar Distillation Product Said to Pro-

duce Fine Leather.

What is said to be a successful synthetic tannin has been discovered by Dr. Edmund Stiasny, assistant professor of the leather industries laboratories of the University of Leeds, England. The new taunin, which is called neradol, is made from tar distillation products, the synthesis being carried out by sulphonating cresylic acid and combining it then with formaldehyde. The white color of the neradol tanned leather and the brightening and bleaching effect of neradol when used in combination with other tannins (vegetable and chrome) are especially noteworthy.

Neradol is somewhat similar to ordinary tanning extract and forms a light brown solution in cold water. It is a pure tannin of 30 per cent strength according to the hide powder method and can be used in smaller quantities to obtain the same effects as those at present produced by the ordinary agents.

Dr. Stiasny has made a series of tests on hides and sheep and calf skins and has recently showed samples of leather ranging from light glazed kid to sole leather produced either with synthetic tannin alone or with it in combination with vegetable tannin. chrome or wood pulp liquors. In every case the product appeared to be satisfactory, the leather being supple, fine and strong in the case of the light skins, while the sample of insoling much pleased when he can secure the belly was flexible and clear and light in color. However, the synthetic product is not likely to greatly interest the sole leather manufacturer while it is the custom to sell such leather by weight, as the new tannin does not give weight-in fact, it produces a light tannage, and is, therefore, more likely to find commercial application in the manufacture of light leathers. But it is said to be useful in the early stages of sole leather tanning to prevent drawn grain.

It is quite possible, especially when it can be produced more cheaply-the price is stated to be about \$97 per long ton-that the adoption of neradol tannage may have to be seriously consider. ed by those interested in chrome tanning. Meanwhile it is probable that this synthetic material may be used in conjunction with both vegetable and chrome tannages, as it is claimed that it considerably hastens the process, and that, contrary to the general effect of quick processes, it improves the quality of the leather at the same time. It is stated that it has been already used on a fairly large scale in the German tanning industry. An advantage of the new tandin is that it can be prepared in a uniform manner, and the material

is not subject to chemical changes An interesting experiment recently carried out consisted in placing a piece of calf pelt, which was badly discolored, in a solution of the synthetic tannin. After a few minutes the discoloration had completely disappeared, and How Kansas City, Mo., through a tax- the pelt was almost white. In about two hours the pelt was struck through into park districts, financed its cam. with the tannin. The time occupied in paign for city beautification was told by tanning the various samples shown by George E. Kessler, fellow of the Ameri- Dr. Stinsny varied from two days to a can Society of Landscape Architects, few weeks. The combination tannage in an address at the recent national of neradol, wood pulp and vegetable conference on city planning at Chi- tannin on a stout sheepskin took four

Powerful Electric Locomotives.

The New York Central is to put in service on the New York terminal dimade it possible to accomplish results vision ten new electric locomotives that would have been entirely out of which will be the most powerful of the question under any other financial their kind in existence, says Power editorially. Although weighing only "In practice the system is an amplifi- 100 tons, which is fifteen tons less than those now in service, they will not accomplished as a matter of choice. be more powerful, as the whole weight is carried on the drivers. Normally much as no properties had been ac. they will develop 1,400 horsepower continuously and will be capable of dereloping as high as 5,000 horsepower for short periods. They will exert sufweighing 1.000 tons at sixty miles per

One of these locomotives has already been thoroughly tested out on the Harlem division, and the remaining nine are being finished as rapidly as possithey are now operating 130 electric been in operation for more than six

Miniature Dynamo.

The smallest dynamo in the world "Never cease to agitate talk against | was exhibited recently before the the unsightly billboards and do all French Academy of Science in Paris. within your power to rid your town of | So small is this dynamo that its base vertising in this manner. They will penny. The instrument is a perfect use billboards in your town, and you practical model in every respect. It will have gone a long way toward works with a hum that sounds like this latter case two amperes of electric current at a pressure of two and a half volts. A small pocket battery will operate at.

Steel That Won't Rust,

A new kind of steel is reported to have been perfected by Joseph C. Marsh of Cincinnati. The new metal resists files, saws and drills and, while ft can be made so hard no drill can penetrate ft. it can be bent to a sharp I angle without signs of cracking or flaw. Drills made from the steel have been driven by blows of sledge hammers through four inches of solid foundry iron with no sign of breakage or strain. The metal takes a fine polish and is said to be rustless. It is close grained in texture and weighs more per cubic inch than any other steel on the market.

# Gems In Verse

THAT LITTLE HAPPY THOUGHT HELPFUL little happy thought went mustering on its way All in the early morning of a long "I've neither hands nor feet nor tongue," it mused, "but I'll not surrow, "I've neither hands nor feet nor tongue,"

it mused, "but I'll not sorrow, For boys and girls are plentiful, and so I'll merely borrow."

Now, little Nell was skipping by to visit Presto, the little happy thought was beaming in her brain. And so she turned and hurried back and stayed at home instead, Reading with merry, tripping tengue to poor blind Cousin Ned.

Off went the little happy thought and saw some idle feet Drumming their heels against the steps upon a quiet street. And soon those feet were carrying upon an errand hot Their smiling owner, who had whined and said be'd "rather not."

If "Satan finds some mischief still for idle hands to do." Why, then, a little happy thought can set them working too. And, judging from a-many things I notice

every day. That helpful little happy thought is still upon its way. -Minnie Leona Upton.

### AFTER THE STORM.

THE golden sun had gone to rest. The birds had ceased their song, The colors faded from the west, And dark clouds rolled along.

THE thunder gave its threatening call. And lightning streaked the sky. Softly the rain began to fall, Then torrents from on high.

OUT ere the morning broke anew The storm had gone its way. The sun blazed through the walls of blue To make the perfect day. -Ruth B. Sulgrove.

THE VOICE. H, how her voice was sweet and rich and low! Even if she called across the The words were velvet whispers. Silently She stepped and softly spoke and made

The strength of calm. Each ripple of th Of liquid music somehow seemed to me More eloquent than all the minstrelay

Of all the years, and that was long ago.

Being deaf to that which rings so loud Loud now and louder through the drag

Crying across that clouded boundary life in the perilous undertaking.

Until I hear naught else and wonder how. So low in life, it is so clamorous now. -Ted Robinson.

> CALL TO COLORS. 's the blood watered soil of the Halksna A Hulgar les etinebed with a Turk, And the task of the cannon and rifle

Will be finished by flat and by And the last word of hate ere the

Of death bids their enmity ceaseis it call to the banners of battle Or a call to the colors of peace?

in the purileus of sin befogged Slow food of neglect and of pest, How many a mother lies dying. With tomorrow's pale scourge at

her breast! And the bread cry that serves for Of orphans-(oh, when shall it

Does it call to the banners of bat-Or call to the colors of peace?

hear from my window this morn-The shout of a soldiering boy.

And the note in his proud pleasure

With the grief that is presaged hear not the drum's noisy rattle For the groan of one hero's re-

is it call to the banners of battle Or a call to the colors of peace?

My poets, of whom I am proud, Who sing of the true and the real When fliusions are dazzling the Go, turn men from woives and

O ye of the God given voices,

Till love be the one golden fleece Oh, call us no more unto battle. But call to the colors of peace! Robert Underwood Johnson in New York Times.

NOTHING GOOD IS LOST. NO star is ever lost we once have seen We always may be what we might

have been. Since good, though only thought, has life ney secretions also annoyed me by and breath, God's life-can always be redeemed from death; And evil in its nature is decay,

The hopes that lost in some far distance May be the truer life and this the dream -Adelaide A. Proctor.

And any hour can bolt it all away,

THE GREAT VOICE. WHO have heard solemnities of sound The throbbing pulse of cities, the loud

Of ocean on sheer ledges of gaunt rock, The chanting of innumerable winds Around white peaks, the plunge of cats-

The whelm of avalanches and by night The thunder's panio breath-have come to What is earth's mightlest voice-the des-

ert's voice. Shence that speaks with deafening tones -Clinton Scollard.

ONLY ONCE. ONLY once I touched your lips so near. Soft swaying as the cherry blooms of Only once-still that hour is ever dear-

Of thee I dream and wonder as I sing THAT love as butterfly upon the wing Should fly so true to love's own

trysting place. Seeking the very heart of life to bring Bewitching blushes to the roses' face. -Katherine Ward MOTIOGRAPH

SATURDAY AUGUST 30 TH.

The Joy Rids-Harry, the chauffeur driving over a manhole, spattered alone in the car and to make amends he took Flossie for a joy ride. Flossie found Van Cliff's card in the car and asked Harry if he was Van Cliff. "Yes," said Harry, shyly, and Flossie fell in love immediately. So engrossed was Harry that he forgot the speed law. In court the next morning he was sentenced to a month in prison. After getting into prison he got into a fight and then got into the hospital. After getting out thirty days later,

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 3.

joy riding since.

met them both. Harry basn't been

Shenandoah (Special, 3 parts)-Part One-Constance, the second wife of General Haverhill, befriends the officer's son, Frank, who has been ostracised. On the night of April 12, 1861, she gives a ball at Charleston, S. C. Frank gets word to Mrs. Haverhill that he is hiding in the city. The father will not be reconciled, but sends the boy a miniature of Constance.

At the ball are Col. Kerchival West and his sister Madeline, Robert Illingham and his sister Gertrude. Fort Sumter is fired upon and Illingham declares his allegiance to the Confederacy. He is deeply in love with Madeline West, whose brother fondly admires Gertrude.

Frank enlists in his father's regiment under another name. He has grown a beard and is not recognized. One year later the Confederates make a night attack on the Federals and Frank is made prisoner. Capt. Thornton, in the Confederate service, takes Constance's miniature from the eaptive at Richmond.

Frank and several companions make daring escape.

Col. West accompanies General Haverhill, who makes headquarters at the Illingham home. Madeline West comes to visit Gertrude. The sweethearts are brought together, but Gertrude will not acknowledge her love for the gallant Col. West.

An expedition is sent to capture Confederate signal tower, with Frank Haverhill in command. He loses his

Later Col. Illingham is captured, but is granted parole by his old friend, Col. West.

West secures the miniature from Thornton, when the latter is captured, but later he is wounded by Thornton and General Haverbill is more embittered than ever when he

finds the picture on West's person. Part Three. The Confederates have planned an attack on the Federals during the absence of General Phil Sheridan. A terrific battle is waged, in which Col. West is taken prisoner. Twenty miles away, Sheridan hears the cannonading and makes a wild dash toward Winchester to assume command. The Federals are unable to withstand the fearful assault and flee in panic. Sheridan arrives, rallies his men and thwarts the

enemy In 1865 General Haverhill visits his wife in Washington, still thinking her unfaithful. Gertrude arrives and delivers to Constance and Frank's widow a message which was written in his last hour. The general is brought to a realization of his wife's nobility.

### NOT ONLY IN DOWNERS GROVE

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State of Illinois, County of Du Page-ss. for James Van Cliff, the banker, while in the Circuit Court of Du Page County.
driving over a manhole, spattered To the October Term, A. D. 1913, In Chancery. Lucy A. Stanley, Lulu H. Cole Flossie Footlights with mud. He was and Elbert C. Stanley, Complainants, vs. Samuel Curtiss, Oscar Curtiss, Emma Hurd, Julia Curtiss, Laura A. Curtiss, Addie H. Caldwell, Samuel Curtiss, Alice C. Heckman, Hattie M. Deming, Carrie Thielke, Howard P. Jones, Mabel O. Jones, Edith L. Haymond, Vigho Simonson and Anna Simonson, Defendants, Gen.

The requisite affidavit having been filed in the Clerk's office of said Court, notice is hereby given to the said Samuel Curtise, Oscar Curties, Emma Hurd, Julia Curtiss and Hattie M. Deming that the above named Complainants heretofore filed their Bill of Complaint in said Court on the Chancery side thereof, and that a summons thereupon issued out of said Court against the above named defend-Harry met Flossie and Harry's wife ants, returnable on the first day of the over seriously; then come and let's talk Wheaton, in said Du Page County, on the provision for any future emergency. first Monday of October, A. D., 1913, as is by law required, and which suit is still pending.

GEORGE W. THOMA, Clerk. A. B. SNOW, Complainants' Solicitor.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. Estate of Mary Catherine Peters, de-The undersigned, having been appointed administrator of the estate of Mary

Catherine Peters, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Du Page County, at the court house in Wheaton, at the October term, on the first Monday in October next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the under-

FRANK D. LINDLEY. A. B. SNOW, Administrator.

GUARDIAN'S NOTICE. State of Illinois, County of Du Page, ss. -In the County Court of Du Page County. In the matter of the application of John Pajewski, guardian of Daniel Pajewski, a minor, for leave to sell real es-

To the above named Daniel Pajewski, a minor, and to all persons concerned: You are hereby notified that the undersigned, John Pajewski, guardian of Daniel Pajewski, a minor, will file a petition in the County Court in and for the County of Du Page and State of Illinois, for leave to sell the interest of the said Daniel Pajewski, a minor, in the real estate hereinafter described, and that on Monday, September 18, 1913, at the September term, 1913, of said County Court, Part Two-In 1863 the Federal to be held in the court house in the City of Wheaton, in the County of Du Page army invades the Shenandoah Valley, aforesaid, which term commences on the first Monday of September, 1913, the undersigned will present said petition to said court, and make application to said court for leave to self at public sale. at such time and upon such terms as the court may direct, all of the right, title and interest of the said Daniel Pajewakl, a minor, in and to the following

described real estate, to-wit: The north half (N. 1/4) of lot ten (10) in block one (1) of Beardsley's Addition to Downers tirove, in Du Page County,

Dated Wheaton, Ill., August 4, 1913. JOHN PAJEWSKI. Guardian of Daniel Pajewski, a Minor WM. KARR STEELE and A. H. RNOW. Attorneys for said Quardia ),

Age of Luxury. "When you buy your collar stude by the pound and never pick up the fallen ones."-Punch.

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