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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

President Roosevelt's big stick has been wielded officially for probably the last time and he has hurled his words of denunciation broadcast. He asks for a continuation of "my policies," which a year ago shook the business world of this nation and incidentally the whole world. He takes up a great deal of space in his last message with criticism of the courts and intimates that there is need for reform there. The last session of congress comes up for some caustic raps, as do the railroads. The message is altogether Rooseveltian. It is characteristic of the president and as many of those in high position read it, they will sigh with relief as they reflect that Mr. Roosevelt will not be president after the fourth of March. Much of what the message contains has been said before, but it comes again with the hammerlike blows of a series of amazing documents that Mr. Roosevelt has given to the nation. His critics will have ample room in the message to use plenty of vitriol in denouncing certain parts of it and his admirers can find just as much to praise.

PLAYING AT WAR.

Whenever the federal government orders the army or navy to take part in war manœuvres, there is always a loud protest from a hundred sources, against the expense incurred. Playing at the game of war is not altogether a new undertaking, but it still too much of an innovation to be appreciated by the rank and file of persons who know nothing about the army and navy. Demonstrations have proved that all the drilling and practicing that can be done, do not equal the war manœuvres on land and sea. It is true that it is an expensive business but it must be remembered that our fighting forces represent a tremendous yearly expenditure and that they are worthless unless prepared for any emergency at a moment's notice. This country has now provided itself with a fleet of warships that is exceeded only by one other nation. It would be a case of penny wise and pound foolish for us to curtail the legitimate expense of maintaining it as it should be and deny it the same advantages as enjoyed by other navies.

HOW TO BE SUCCESSFUL.

Some facetious reader, who we fancy is trying to be a little sarcastic at our expense, pleads for the remedy for success. Well, it is just this way: You have to be a sort of a second sight phenom. Never be caught napping and always be there with the goods. While the other fellow is thinking how he will play the game just fall to and trim him with beautiful completeness. Be prepared. Some folks are too prone to wait until the thing happens before they act. That's the down and out policy. The thing is to act before the thing happens. If a coarse man threatens to dislodge your headpiece and you are sure he'll do it, don't leave it all to Providence, because you are likely to get hurt. Get proficient in the use of the "big stick," practice all the latest strongholds, half-Nelsons and Batting Nelsons and then when Opportunity looms propitious slam it into the chap good and quick, so that when he is ready to begin, the doctors are working over him. Don't let tomorrow take care of itself, because it is apt to act unladylike. Care for tomorrow today and always keep enough gasoline on hand for emergency, then you won't get left.

Which is a good brand of success.

A YEAR AGO the real estate market in Lake county was quiescent. It was even worse than that in some parts of the county; it was dead. Now, that prosperity has recovered sufficiently to get up and take notice, the real estate market has come out of the cyclone cellar and is getting busy. The story of the activity of real estate in Hammond will be hailed with joy in business circles. Twenty-four lots have been sold in one addition for a sum aggregating ten thousand dollars and the addition is a new one and has not been advertised as yet except in the columns of the TIMES.

THERE IS A GANG of young toughs and boors who attend Hammond theaters and who for years have succeeded in making life miserable for the patrons of playhouses. It is a common thing for some of them to be yanked out of the gallery and ejected. This is not enough. The toughs laugh at this. They should be marched down to the police station and jailed and then subjected to a heavy fine and a few days' sojourn in the prison at Crown Point. That is the lesson that the smart Alecks need.

IN GETTING AN experienced fire fighter at the head of their fire department to begin with, the officials of Gary have taken the bull by the horns and done the right thing. Now let the city have a splendidly equipped fire department, one that won't be for today but for the city in years to come, and the people will rise up unanimously and say: "Well done."

THE FINING OF ten policy players at fifteen dollars per, hardly seems to call for the solemn remark that a wave of reform is sweeping over the whole world.

NAVAL OFFICERS MUST also do the fifteen-mile walking stunt for four successive days. It may be the fair pot-bellied judiciary's turn next.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

December 10.

1672—A monthly post was established between New York and Boston.

1741—John Murray, founder of Universalism in the United States, born in England. Died in Boston Sept. 3, 1851.

1837—Thomas H. Gallaudet, a noted educator of the deaf and dumb, born in Philadelphia. Died in Hartford, Conn., Sept. 9, 1851.

1804—New York Historical society instituted.

1817—Mississippi admitted to statehood.

1823—The house of assembly in Jamaica passed a bill abolishing slavery.

1856—Christ Church, Montreal, destroyed by fire.

1868—All disputes between Mexico and the United States, settled by treaty.

1907—Norwegian parliament conferred the Nobel prize upon President Roosevelt in recognition of his ser-

vices in ending the Russo-Japanese war.

THIS IS MY SIST BIRTHDAY.

William J. Rolfe.

William J. Rolfe, the noted writer and Shakespearean scholar, was born in Newburyport, Mass., Dec. 10, 1827. In his early years he was a school teacher and has always taken an active interest in educational affairs. As a young man he removed to Cambridge, which city is still his home. He began his studies and literary labors in 1858, since which time he has written many textbooks, criticisms, guides and magazine articles. In his multitude of labors Dr. Rolfe has still found time for seven languages and to make no fewer than twenty trips to Europe. He is regarded as one of the greatest living authorities on the life and work of Shakespeare. Harvard bestowed the honorary degree of A. M. upon Mr. Rolfe in 1858 and similar honors have come to

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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DANGEROUS TEACHERS.

The writer's attention recently has been called to certain peripatetic "teachers" who are said to be exploiting the doctrine that it is sinful for men and women to live with one another in any other way save that of the spiritual life."

Beware of these wolves in sheep's clothing!

They have broken up many happy homes.

The best advice one can give is this: Should this sort try to make disciples in your community see that they are sent away.

Charlatans of this kind have ruined homes in many places.

They peddle a kind of cult that appeals at the first blush to intellectual persons, women in particular. Afterward, when the disciple is believed to be "strong in the faith," the inner teaching is revealed.

There is much talk of "esoteric" and "esoteric" teaching, the outside for the faithful.

First comes the plausibly put declaration that "the life of the spirit" is the only true life.

Then comes the inner teaching—the delicate suggestion of "spiritual affinities."

And then—destruction.

It may seem strange that sensible people should become devotees of these cults and be victimized by apostles of such teaching, but it should be remembered—

Every normal human being is hungry for spiritual food. The craving is just as keen as that of the physical appetite. And the appetite itself is not always the most accurate judge of what is best.

The fads exploited by many of the long-haired itinerants are not dangerous.

They are for the most part sublimely silly. But—

There is a specious plea that does attack the heaven ordained relations of husband and wife and that leads to HELL ON EARTH.

Thousands of poor derelicts on the sea of life have been wrecked and set adrift by pious pirates.

Society needs to keep an eye on the dangerous social interlopers who masquerade in the guise of religious prophets.

Whenever and wherever the sanctity of family life is imperiled by the propaganda of any preacher, prophet, medium, professor or what not—

KICK HIM OUT!

him from Amherst and other leading colleges.

RANDOM THINGS AND FLINGS

Through some mysterious and incomprehensible reason, Nat Goodwin hasn't sought a divorce for about three or four weeks.

An old man's darling is either a pet dog on a string, or has him on one.

A lot of very distinguished gentlemen will be hoping very sincerely that Mr. Roosevelt won't meet with any accident in Africa on his hunting trip.

A girl

Never gets over

Adoring a matine

Idol unless she happens to marry

Him, and then how the

Scales fall away.

Oh, my!

A Kentucky Crises.

Well, there was quite a little rumpus raised over our little protest last week as to our attitude toward our county officials. . . . He (the county attorney) was told if he was aggrieved by any assertions made by Thousand Islands that in the courts was the only legitimate place to settle it, and in the face of all this his talk was so wrothy that we do not care to publish the exact words, but we will say this much, that it began to look like we would have to use some physical means to avoid the barbaric attack that was about to be made upon our anatomy.—Hyden (Ky.) Thousand Islands.

A LITTLE BOOSTING DONE IN YOUR INTEREST BY WELL-MEANING FRIENDS WHO DON'T CONSULT YOU BEFOREHAND, IS APT TO BRING YOU FACE TO FACE WITH AN EMBARRASSING SITUATION LATER ON.

Lament.

"Saturday comes but once a week, But Sunday's not to be nixed. If we could draw up envelopes, Say, twice—or even thrice? For when the week is almost o'er, And you are strapped quite tight, You'd better have a morning come At six on Friday night."

'Twould help the scheme of things a lot If you could draw your pay A day ahead, you wouldn't be Around on Saturday.

You wouldn't have to bower then, An' prospects won't look bright,

If only Saturday morning come At six on Friday night."

TAKES CARBOLIC ACID.

Following a domestic row, Mrs. Robert Stamm of Glenwood took a large

THE TIMES.

Santa Claus For Times Boys And Girls

write Your Letters And Send Them To Santa Claus And He Will Take Care Of Them

Another year has rolled around and Santa Claus is preparing his gifts for his good boys and girls. As has always been its custom, the TIMES will publish letters from its young readers, both boys and girls, and give them to Santa Claus so that he will know what to bring them. Letters intended for Santa Claus must be written plainly and on one side of the paper only. It does not matter where you live, any letter from any part of the country, will be sent to Santa Claus. Santa is getting old and his eyes are not so good as they used to be, so his boys and girls are asked to be careful in their writing. They must be careful and give their names and addresses for, if the name only is given how is Santa Claus to tell where to go. Don't forget to write early. Santa Claus wants to know what you want and address all your letters to SANTA CLAUS, care of the Times, Hammond, Ind.

UP AND DOWN IN INDIANA

Chicago Woman Robbed Of Jewels, Recovers Them By A Lucky Chance



Mrs. Samuel K. Martin

A green leather case containing \$15,000 worth of jewels belonging to Mrs. Samuel K. Martin Jr. was stolen from her in the Lake Shore railroad baggage office yesterday afternoon and found an hour later in an elevator shaft, where it had been thrown by the thief. City and railroad detectives attempted to find the robber without success.

The only unexplained feature of the affair is whether the robber was one of the employees of the railroad or an expert "dip" who worked his way into the baggage room unnoticed. The latter view is taken by the railroad officials.

Mrs. Martin was about to take the Twentieth Century Limited for New York at the Chicago La Salle street station when she noticed her loss. She had left the members of her family standing outside the baggage room on the ground floor and went in to the baggage counter to look after her trunks.

LABOR NEWS

Voice of the People

SAYS HE IS A SANITARY DENTIST.

To the Editor of THE TIMES—Dear Sir: I desire to make a statement through THE TIMES regarding the \$5,200 damages suit brought against me by a polish woman.

The Chinese government has established a school at Shanghai to instruct the sons of fishermen in modern methods of fish culture.

In 1828 the workingmen's party, a local political organization, appeared in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and other large cities.

A vigorous campaign of organization has as its objective a tri-state central labor union, taking in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia.

Boston's labor movement is to have an eight hour labor chorus of women members of Boston unions along the lines of the famed women wage earners' chorus of Chicago.

About 150 labor measures will be presented to the next California legislature by the State Federation of Labor, the State Building Trades council, central bodies and individual unions.

Regulation by the government of future issues of securities by transportation and other interstate corporations is provided by a bill introduced in the senate.

Discussion of the census bill in the house brings up problem of civil service in the appointment of government employees.

Leader of religious band who fought Kansas City police eludes pursuers. List of two dead in battle is not increased.

Counsel for Princess de Sagam, speaking in the atrial at Paris, charges that Count Boni de Castellane is moved by hatred and envy of de Sagam in trying to secure possession of the children.

When President Castro's steamer touches at Santander, Spain, it becomes known that he is going to Europe for the double purpose of finding health and settling all differences with foreign powers.

President Earling of the St. Paul lines before master in chancery taking testimony in regard to freight rates, declares it impossible to fix exact valuation of railroads.

But something is expected to be done by the manufacturers, which will have conclusive effect on the many railroad system which are known to be withholding their rail contracts for better prices than now prevail. That something is more likely to be in the line of harmony, however, than of price cutting was the general opinion.

EXPECT STEEL PRICE TO STAND.

Big Manufacturers, However, Plan to Induce Railroads to Order.

New York, Dec. 10.—Material changes in prices are not expected to be made