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FORUM OF THE PEOPLE

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Last evening, I listened with great delight and profit, to a lecture by Rev. Dr. J. Everist Cathell on "Ultimate Christianity in America." He showed the unsatisfactory condition of religious denominationalism in our country at this time, dwelt upon the unfulfilled intercession of the Master "that all may be one, even as we are one, that the world may believe that Thou has sent me," and declared that the wisest Christian leaders are calling for a greater Christian unity for the effective conduct of war against the mighty forces of evil in Christian lands and communities. The speaker deplored the habit of division which has arisen from centuries of cultivated separation, and affirmed that many Christian churches regard separation as a permanent test of orthodoxy, and made the proposition that no body of Christian men should contend for anything as essentially true which does not, by right, belong to all. The lecturer suggested that it is not true loyalty to Christ to merely desire unity, but that true faith will lead its possessors to expect it. Dr. Cathell does not deny virtue to the motives and methods of denominationalism, but declares that like builders of a great temple or palace, the artisans should finish each their faithful and requisite labor, and leave the edifice complete, accomplished and beautiful, for the ultimate purposes of its construction. The lecture was enlivened by relevant wit and humor and was eagerly listened to by all present, making profound impression. It should be heard all over the land, and I have no doubt that it would be greeted with intense interest by multitudes of earnest, thoughtful people and be productive of great good.

REV. I. M. HUGHES, D. D.

Items Gathered in From Far and Near

Flower Beds.

From the Baltimore American. Everywhere nature is showing signs of the revival that has been going on annually from the beginning of time. The trees are ready to burst in bloom. The early blossoms have appeared, the bluebird and the robin are heard in the fields and on the lawns. The real estate man is calculating sales by the score and the suburbanite is laying off his flower beds. But aside from the signs of spring in the country and on the city's outer rim, there are unmistakable signs of the advent of the soft months of listless effort and languorous enjoyment in the activities of the men, women and children in the back yard gardens of the city. Never has there been so much attention given the subject of beautifying these places as today. All periodicals contain hints and observations on garden methods and plants, so that the dissemination of floricultural knowledge is widespread.

Good Angels.

From the Philadelphia Press. Society women in Washington are arranging to take a day off and clean the dirty streets and front yards of the National capital. These good ladies, by proving themselves angels of cleanliness, will become entitled to "white wings."

List Too Long.

From the Baltimore Sun. Among the follies of 1909—but there isn't room for a list of them in this paper.

A London Joke.

From Punch. By the way, in view of Mr. Roosevelt's well known hustling methods, why not call him now "The Express-ident?"

MASONIC CALENDAR.

Friday, April 9—King Solomons Chapter No. 4 R. A. M. Stated meeting and work.

ON BUILDING UP THE PARTY.

If anyone were to ask you the question: "What would the democrats of this city and all over the state like to see the republicans in this city do?" what would you answer?

In the simplest phrase the answer would, in all probability, be: "To divide the republicans still farther." And by this is meant to nominate the man whom all the republicans either could not, or would not, support. To elect another democratic mayor. For every time a man leaves his party allegiance, he becomes more and more the joy of the opposing party.

The men in the democratic party in this city are not playing with generalities and toy balloons. They are working for the men they are comparatively certain will help them win the next election.

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POOR HASTINGS IS LEFT OUT IN COLD.

Hammond Man Turned Down For State Job After Waiting Patiently.

WANTED TO BE CUSTODIAN

HE WAS ENCOURAGED BOTH BY SIMS AND BILLHEIMER TO BELIEVE HE HAD THEIR APPOINTMENT CINCHED.

Special Correspondent.

LUTHER C. ABBOTT is a candidate for Judge of the City Court of Richmond, Ind., subject to the Republican nomination.

COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE.

MATT VON PEIN is a candidate for the office of Councilman-at-large, subject to the Republican nomination.

Initials are sometimes the resort of the writer who is anxious to conceal his identity, and a glance through any one of the 700 volumes that comprise the catalogue of the British Museum reading-room will discover some strange instances. A theological book entitled "Inquiry into the Meaning of Demoniacs in the New Testament," is attributed to T. P. A. P. O. A. B. I. C. O. S. Its real author was a certain Arthur Sykes, and the initials reveal his position as "the per centor and prebendary of Alton Borealis in the church of Salisbury."

Major-Gen. Leonard Wood has been added to the already long list of officers and officials who have had decorations and honors given them by foreign governments, but have had no authorization from Congress to permit them to receive and wear them.

France has given General Wood the cross of the Legion of Honor for his interest in the grand maneuvers of the French army last summer. The various decorations that have been given to American officers and officials are deposited in the State Department, where the recipients may see them and show them to their friends, but may not take them away or use them as having possession.

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