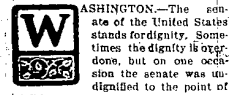


THE BUSINESS OF WEARING A TOGA



WASHINGTON.—The senate of the United States stands for dignity. Sometimes the dignity is gone, done, but on one occasion the senate was undignified to the point of stuffing several of the older senators with humor.

Senator Tillman of South Carolina was making nothing less than an impassioned speech, while "reaching toward" the "sides of origin," when Senator Warren left his seat, motioned by Tillman, and took station behind the South Carolinian. The speaker had both hands high over his head directing the soaring of his thoughts and words. Warren took from a big black bottle, slipped into his pocket and came out again holding in his clutch a big black bottle.

All inconspicuous, Tillman went on with his words of fire. Warren held his hand aloft in full view of the presiding officer, of his colleagues and of the crowded galleries. There was a gasp, then a smothered and simultaneous gurgle of horror from a hundred throats, and then roaring laughter.

Tillman turned and knowledge of the awfulness of the situation came to him. For once in his life, he was staggered to speechlessness. He straggled for words, but they would not come. His face was black with something like anger. Then the anger cleared and a smile broke through. Speech returned, and two words came: "Boric acid."

It was boric acid, but unfortunately for Senator Tillman, it had been put into a black and expensive bottle. A more thrust was the reason for its carrying, and while the South Carolinian is a man of truth, he would not let the matter pass without having passed the bottle and had for his comrades to smell the stuff and make clean his temperance record.

Senator Burrows of Michigan, by a graphic presentation of the case of Maj. Seymour Howell, an army paymaster, secured an order on the treasury of the United States for \$2,000 to reimburse the officer for the amount which disappeared in the Philippine Islands. The story, as told by Senator Burrows to his colleagues, had all the interest of a Sherlock Holmes tale save that for the mystery involved there was no solution. To this day there has been no solution. It is known definitely, however, that the paymaster was in no way to blame for the disappearance of the money.

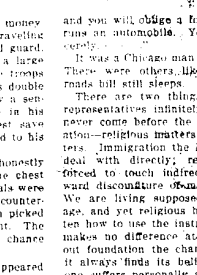
Maj. Howell, paymaster, was traveling through the Philippines when he was seized with him a chest containing a large sum of money with which to pay the troops at the different camps. The chest was double locked at all times, and night and day a sentinel stood by it with a sword in his hands. No one had keys to the chest save Maj. Howell and he kept them fastened to his person.



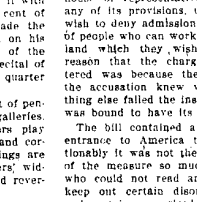
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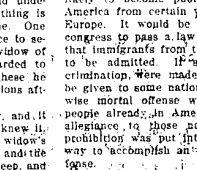
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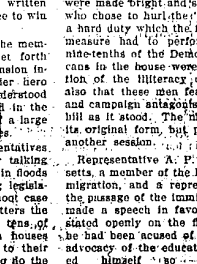
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rest if they are pointed enough.

Senator Tillman of South Carolina once introduced a good roads bill calling upon the expenditure of government millions for the improvement of the highways.

There are two things which the house of representatives infinitely would prefer should never come before the members for consideration—religious matters and immigration matters. Immigration the house must, of course, deal with directly. Religious matters it is forced to touch indirectly, much to the inward discomfiture of many of the legislators.

It was a Chicago man who wrote this appeal. These were others, like unto it. The good roads bill still sleeps.

An immigration bill which was before the house of representatives had no bigotry in any of its provisions, unless it be bigotry to wish to deny admission to America of a class of people who can work little but injury to the land which they wish to enter.

The bill contained a clause which forbade entrance to America to illiterates. Unquestionably it was not the desire of the framers of the measure so much to keep out people who could not read and write as it was to keep out certain breeding elements and certain pauperized elements.

Most of the illiterate and those who are likely to become public charges come to America from certain well-defined sections of Europe. It would be utterly impossible for congress to pass a law saying in plain words that immigrants from these sections were not to be admitted. If such geographical discrimination were made moral offense would be given to some nations of Europe, and likewise moral offense would be given to the people already in America who owed former allegiance to those nations.

family. In the north wages are better and taxes are lower, so the burden of women are not so heavy. But in Naples, Rome and Naples life means hard toll.

The women are forced to earn a living, and so they do whatever they can put their hands on. They click in small shops and stand in the squares selling flowers, jewelry and plaster casts. But competition is so great and the wares so cheap that many are forced to earn a living by other methods.

The narrow streets are thronged with women carrying infants on their arms, hawking their fruits and flowers. Others trudge along carrying heavy sacks and great loads on their backs. Many wait for miles along the country roads, selling their garden product and the fleece just shorn from the sheep.

In Rome and Naples more especially the women do most of their work out of doors. They are usually seated before their doorways spinning, carding and washing the wool. Others are hard at work making straw baskets and coning them of rope.

When work is scarce they rent a stand near one of the old walls and sell fish, fruit and baskets. A mother often has a baby in her arms and three or four other children playing about her. The long rows of tenements simply teem with human life. It is not unusual to find families of ten or more crowded into one room.

Some of them are so crowded that the clothes after they are washed have to be hung out of the windows.

But this picture does not mar the sunny disposition of the Neapolitan. Tired looking women are heard singing popular airs as they trudge home from work. When a pretty Italian girl walks along, her flowers she often starts out at nightfall carrying a guitar and serenading strangers, who increase her small living. But to make the best of life is the motto of the Neapolitan.

As for Samuel Gompers, he was born in England, but his letter, which Mr. Gardner read, a letter written to Representative James E. Watson, showed conclusively how the laboring people represented by Mr. Gompers felt upon the matter of the admission of illiterates. The letter was as follows:

"The organized workers of this country feel that the existing immigration laws, while not without their value, are of trifling effect compared with the needs and the just demands of American labor."

The Nashville convention of the American Federation of Labor, by a vote of 1,838 to 253, pronounced in favor of an educational test for immigrants. Such a measure would check immigration in a moderate degree, and those who would be kept out by it are those whose competition in the labor market is most injurious to American workers.

No other measure which would have any important effect of this kind is seriously proposed. I earnestly hope that you will be able to procure the embodiment of an literacy test for immigrants in the bill which the house now has under consideration."

A New York representative had his answer ready when this letter was read in the house. "It would like to ask the gentleman," he said, "if Mr. Gompers represents the Mayflower or those who landed at Jamestown?"

The truth of the matter is that the insinuation of the New York man that the old-time native American element was back of the movement to bar out illiterates was baseless, and the house knew it. Curiously enough, perhaps, the strongest opponents of the literacy clause in the whole land were men who to those first immigrants who founded the nation in America. These men, while holding that it was the part of wisdom to keep out the criminals and the pauperized, held also that it was un-American to bar a man because he could neither read nor write.

FEW CARESSES IN HER LIFE

Infants Suffer in Remarkable Way by Little Philadelphia Child of the Slums.

Dr. Herman L. During, superintendent of the Philadelphia City mission, has for many years devoted his life to the poor. Dr. During is the inventor of the pretzel test for street beggars. When a street beggar pleads starvation, you buy him a big German pretzel at the nearest stand. If he eats the pretzel, he is honest; if he refuses it, he is a fraud.

Dr. During in his work among the poor has learned many odd, curious things that he relates superbly, for he is a born story-teller. In an address at Balla, apropos of the hard, rough lives of the children of the poor, he related a dialogue between two little girls in Rum Alley.

"Maggie, wuz yer ever kissed" said the first girl.

"Only wuzt in me life wot I kin remember," said the second. "When I wuz in de Honnyman hospital wid a broken arm 'bout a de lady nurse kissed me, an' I blushed like a child."

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Two Little Girls Had Eczema Very Badly—in One Case Child's Hair Came Out and Left Bare Patches. Cuticura Met with Great Success.

"I have two little girls who have been troubled very badly with eczema. One of them had it on her lower limbs. I did everything that I could hear of for her, but it did not give up until winter weather, when it seemed to subside. The next winter when it became cold the eczema started again and also in her head where it would take the hair out and leave bare patches. At the same time her arms were sore the whole length of them. I took her to a physician, but the child grew worse all the time. Her father's arms were also affected. I began using Cuticura Remedies, and by the time the second lot was used their skin was soft and smooth. Mrs. Charles Baker, Albion, Me. Sept. 21, '08."

Forster Drug & Chem. Co., Sole Props., Boston.

Work Ahead for Josh.

"I'll be kind of glad when Josh gets home from school," said Farmer Corn tassel. "I have an idea he can be useful." "Are you going to put him to work?" "Maybe. I've exhausted all the language I know on that team of mules. But I'll be given up Josh. I want to see whether Josh can startle 'em some with his college yell!"—Washington Star.

The Grip of Spring.

During the last twenty years many of our citizens have been attacked in the spring months by the grip. Some have had slight attacks every year or so. Others have had a severe one. It is a very annoying and often a very dangerous disease. It is a very annoying and often a very dangerous disease. It is a very annoying and often a very dangerous disease.

Swimburne and the Cabman.

In his youthful days Swimburne had a quarrel with a cabman over his fare. The cabman abused the poet mercilessly. Addressing him in a low, growling voice, he said: "And may I invite you to descend from your perch and hear how a poet can swear?"

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of DASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of Dr. J. H. Allen.

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Hypocrite.

Dr. Cook-Briggs, what is a hypocrite?

Briggs, it's a hypocrite is a judge who comes to the bench in a glass with a smile on his face.—Wiscousin Sphinx.

Ask Your Druggist for Allen's Foot-Ease.

I tried ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE recently, and have just bought another supply. It has cured my corns, and the burning and itching sensation in my feet which has troubled me for years. I can't say without it now.—Mrs. W. Walker, Camden, N. J. Sold by all Druggists.

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"That ship carries a big cargo of eggs."

"What effect carry eggs in a ship or in her batches?"

Free! A tea package of Garfield Tea to anyone mailing up this notice with name and address, and names and addresses of friends. Not how low you can get the price. Garfield Tea Co., Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Those who keep Hamilton Wizard Oil on their shelves do not have to buy any other remedy for sore throat. No other remedy will cure this trouble so quickly as no surely as Hamilton's.

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