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HUMAN NATURE.
We search for microbes everywhere,
But show convenient blindness
When it comes time to find them in
Our milk of human kindness.

THE WAY OF IT.
Concerning college foot ball teams,
Too oft it comes to pass
The man who's half back in the field
Is 'way back in his class.

THE LIFE WAY.
All the world seems weary—
Shadows of the night,
But still it's not so dear,
And morning makes the light.
Though this way be dreary,
There are blossoms bright;
It's only life, my dearie,
And morning makes the light.
—Atlanta Constitution.

THE SADDEST WORD.
Of all sad words of tongue or pen,
Of wives or widows or maids or men,
In books or papers or letters or bills,
Of stage or pulpit or dais or hills,
Of all the words we have ever
known,
The ones which come with the sad-
dest groan
Are the words of the man who con-
fesses that
He paid fifty dollars for a Panama
hat.
—Council Bluffs Nonpareil.

THE GRAMMAR AND THE OWL.
This is the owl that sings
"To whom?"
As he sits in the old dead tree;
If only the owl would sing
"To whom?"
What a grammatical owl he'd be.
L'EMVOI.
But an owl is an owl,
And a grammar a book,
And never these two shall meet,
Till the owl flies over to Boston
town
And settles in Beacon street.

FATE OF AN AMATEUR.
On a friend's yacht
A youth named Dacht,
Set sail for a sequestered spacht;
The day was bright
For such a yacht,
"Twould almost roast a hachtentacht;
Of skill he'd natch,
A great big yacht,
But like an arrow out he shaft;
He knew not what
Would be his fatch.
Until his sailboat went to pacht;
On a hospital catch,
His mind's a black
And that will do for him, I wacht.
—Chicago News.

WARNING.
Go 'way, Mistuh Skeeter! Don't you sing
"Gee song to me!"
I's hyind about you doins; you's es
tough as you kin be.
You's been around a-lunchin' on
malaria an' things
Till you's jes' about as dan'us as a
rattlesnake wif wings.
I didn't use to min' you when you
come a-browsin' round,
Case I knowed a slap 'ud send you
tumblin' senseless to be groun'.
But since I hyind dem white folks
I's as skyakt as I kin be.
Go 'way, Mistuh Skeeter! Don't you
sing dat song to me!
—Washington Star.

HER NEW VOCABULARY.
She possessed a mind discerning
That was stored and crammed with
learning,
And her thoughts, forever burning
And could suitably express.
All her sentences were rounded,
And her words imposing sounded;
I was really quite astounded
As I listened, I confess.

But I saw her very lately,
And she did not talk ornately;
All that language suave and stately,
She no longer kept on tap.
She was saying "Bessums diddums!!"
Where is de bad old pin got hiddums!
In his muvum's pious diddums!!
To the baby in her lap.
—Boston Budget.

ALL SERVICE IS FROM GOD.
Not from a vain and shallow thought
His awful Jove young Phidias
brought;
Never from lips cunning fell
The thrilling Delphic oracle;
Out from the heart of nature rolled
The burdens of the Bible old;
The thunder of his voice came,
Like the volcano's tongue of flame,
Up from the burning core below—
The canticles of love and woe;
The hand that rounded Peter's dome
And crowned the aisles of Christian
Rome
Wrought in a sad sincerity,
Himself from God he could not free;
He builded better than he knew—
The conscious stone to beauty grew.
Knowing that what wove your yew-
bird's nest
Of leaves, and feathers from her
breast?
Or how the fish outbuilt her shell,
Painting with murex each annual cell?
Or how the sacred pine tree adds
To her old leaves new myriads?
Such and so grew these holy plants,
Whilst love and terror laid the tiles.
Earth proudly rears the Parthenon,
As the best cent upon her zone,
And morning opens with haste her
lids
To gaze upon the pyramids;
O'er England's abbey bands the sky,
As on its friends with kindred eye;
For out of Thought's interior sphere
These wonders gladly gave them
place,
Adopted them into her race,
And granted them an equal date.
With Andes' snow-capped range
These temples grew as grows the
grass,
Art might obey, but not surpass;
The passive master lent his hand,
To the vast soul that o'er him
planned.
—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

10:30 a. m., 5:15 p. m., 10:00 p. m.
Is the time. Erie through trains
are scheduled to leave Dearborn sta-
tion, Chicago, for Columbus, Akron,
Youngstown, Cleveland, Lake, Buf-
falo, Niagara Falls, Elmira, Sing-
hamton, Albany, Boston, New York,
and points east. For further infor-
mation apply to H. L. Purdy, Travel-
ling Passenger Agent, Erie Railroad,
Chicago, Ill.

Reliance also pulled every leg of
the triangular course.

Sir Thomas Lipton knows what it
means to have a sad but glorious day
occasionally.

But Lipton a pound of fine-cut
against a pound of tea, he cannot sail
straight up in a cyclone.

Mr. Dinkey will probably be retain-
ed at the head of the steel trust to
give the impression that it is a small
affair.

Salisbury mourned for England
many a time, so that courtesy if not
affection should lead to a return of
the compliment.

Among the educational character-
istics of the annual election is the
one that the voters are kept posted
on the quality of cigars.

Schwab is not going back to the
steel trust. He will quit the busi-
ness before he gets a stomach ache
like that of Mr. Rockefeller.

Why not cut this Iowa idea, busi-
ness short by adopting rules giving
the victory to the side able to get
the best three out of five?

Yacht races may be compelled to
wait on the weather but there is al-
ways a spanking breeze from two
directions at a prize fight.

The assessors in the Philippines
should be instructed to carefully list
all the sultans and to insist that
their owners buy collars and pay the
tax.

By the time the Christians and
Mohammedans of Turkey have an-
ished with each other about the only
religion needed in that country will
be the burial service.

The number of divorce cases pend-
ing at Des Moines is unusually large.
It is not said whether the men or
the women are the most determined
to leave the city at all hazards.

In any event, the exhibition of the
true system of sailing will be worth
to Thomas Lipton and the pupils of
his school of instruction a great deal
of the money that he has spent.

The republicans of Nebraska are
eminent strategists. They adopted a
platform, on request of the republi-
cans of other states, that they
thought might keep Bryan at home.

If Petroleum V. Nasby was not
alive to write of the insurance busi-
ness of Des Moines as he wrote of
rag baby currency and street corner
banks, there would be something do-
ing.

It is remarkable that our local easy
marks, with all their adventures, have
not tumbled into at least one good
thing. They have been relentlessly
pursued by the hoodoo for many
years.

Joseph Cannon has the pleasant
belief that American good sense will
find a cure for the lynching problem,
but Dr. Goodsense should make
greater haste when the case is so
serious.

Until the rogues galleries of the na-
tion begin to send in requests for
photographs of the Des Moines pro-
moters of fake insurance that city
will really have no reason to make
complaint.

Really, now, the peek-a-boo girl
should follow the yachting style and
carry a little more canvas. It is the
newest thing out. It is no longer
fashionable to navigate without the
main topsail.

Possibly Rev. Sam Jones saves
some poor fellow from the grave of
a drunkard by consuming the liquor
himself. A good man must be busy
all the time and ready to suffer for
his fellow man.

Now that they have succeeded in
starting the war in Macedonia the
European correspondents will be able
to hold the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius
and the destruction of Naples until
cold weather.

The annual election, the thing that
has kept the careful observer sup-
plied with hats and cigars, that is
the pension agent for all good guess-
ers, is not a thing to be destroyed
with little thought.

Holland reports that Sumatra has
been pacified at least, but the bond
of the native of that part of the
world to keep the peace should not
be canceled before the moss has ac-
cumulated on his tombstone.

That eminent heretic, the Mount
Pleasant News, is giving the Bur-
lington Hawkeye reason to believe
that it may not be too late to revive
the rack and the thumbscrew for the
propagation of pious thought.

The commanders of the American
fleet, attacking the New England
coast, should be ashamed of them-
selves. There was already a great
demand for smelling salts in Boston,
and nothing should have been done
to complicate the nervous condition
of the people.

The Boone News declares that the
outlook for democracy is not hopeful,
but the News is a pessimist. The
outlook for democracy, if democracy
observes the commandments, is just
as good as for others. The appor-
tioned troubles of man end with his
allotted years.

Santos-Dumont, having placed his
air ships at the disposal of the
French government in time of war,
the French soldiers will have a new
and very convenient exit from the
field in case the Germans should
break loose once more.

THE SOLDIER'S POLITICS.

Some of the editors of the coun-
try, with perception so slightly de-
veloped as to afford no hope that
intelligence will ever be noticeable,
are making reference to the appoint-
ment of General Wright to be gov-
ernor of the Philippines as though
the president had shown great mag-
nanimity in his selection of a "life-
long" democrat to fill the post.

General Wright is a soldier. As
such it is not the business of any-
one to question his party politics, his
religion or his belief along any lines.
The soldier declares at the time of
his enlistment that he has one belief
—and that is the conviction that he
owes his God the reverence and sub-
porting with the sacrifice of his life
it need be, the beneficent institution
of our government that has been al-
lowed for the enjoyment of man and
for the protection of his offspring.
The soldier believes in the right of
his life, if need be, for the support
of their decisions in any direction.
The voter at the polls says what the
government shall be and do. The
soldier, armed and ready, safeguards
his personal beliefs, stands by to
say amen.

The man who would question the
partisan preference of a soldier is
not fit to be president and com-
mander in chief of the army. The
Gazette does not believe that
Theodore Roosevelt, who has been a
soldier of brief experience, but who
has felt the impulse and sustaining
force of patriotic resolve, has given
arrant for the comment. It is
hardly to be supposed that when the
president was with the Rough Riders
he chose to debate the currency and
 tariff questions with the men who
were elbowing with him. From the
scenarios where these same rough
riders were recruited it is judged
that the majority of them might
have been democrats of "life-long"
standing when they came time to
bother with partisan distinctions.

The government of the Philippines
is as yet a purely military affair, re-
gardless of alleged concessions to the
civil authorities, who are themselves
either military men or under military
influence. The islands of necessity
will be the country of a monarch or
a military branch of the republic
for many years. It might be sup-
posed to require time for the people
of the islands to learn to rule them-
selves on any model that we would
accept, and it certainly will require
time for the Americans to learn the
models to which the people of the is-
lands have been accustomed, and
that should there should be no Am-
erican partisanship in the islands.

The islanders do not need to know
that such a thing exists. Their own
idea is liberty, and having liberty
they will not understand why there
should be parties to champion differ-
ent varieties of perfect freedom.
Having only common sense to guide
them they will not understand that
there can be two or more kinds of
freedom. It will be the business
of the presidents to send to the
islands soldiers who are of such qual-
ity as to impress the people with
whom they come in contact and the
whole world, with their patriotism
and humanity. It is the greater busi-
ness of the soldier to spare life and
protect law. It is his minor business
to kill and to temporarily disregard
the statutes that impede the progress
of a general plan.

Of general plan, the soldier has no
business. He is the builder and
not the destroyer of states, and the
American soldier should know, and
does know, that the government has
no relation if there are several
spies to the edifice.

The soldier has one great belief
and stakes his life on the correct-
ness of his conviction. The politician
has no belief and stakes his life on
the correctness of his conviction. The
soldier, on his effort to gain personal
advantage. The soldier stands guard
over the solid rock of the law; the
politician longs to possess as his own
the bubble showing the greatest in-
famy and humanity. They are so unlike
that the true soldier could never
be the typical politician, and the true
politician could never in truth take
the oath of the soldier.

YELLOW JOURNALISM.
As to yellow journalism, there are
certain papers in the state needing
to be told that it is possible to be
yellow in small type and on the in-
side pages. It is better to occupy
the space with one falsehood in bold
type than to crowd the same area
with nonpareil lies.—Cedar Rapids
Gazette.

The Gazette is quite mistaken.
Nonpareil lies or minor lies on the
outside pages, read by intelligent
people, result only in injury to the
editor who writes them. The deli-
berate distorting of news facts to
create sensation, in big front page
headlines, is a crime because it
seriously influences the low grade
intelligence which is attracted by the
display.

No man or woman of intelligence
was ever longfully affected by
low journalism. They are only dis-
gusted by it. The damage is to the
viciously inclined, weak-minded class
of people.

It is a mystery, in this view of the
case, why business editors will ex-
cusely advertise in yellow journals,
whose supporters and readers are al-
most exclusively among those of low
mentality and narrow judgment.—
Burlington Hawkeye.

The Gazette must insist on the cor-
rectness of its position. The pub-
lication of a falsehood and not the
size of the type is the offense in
law and in morals. The publication
of each falsehood is a separate of-
fense, and the occupation of all the
space by large type is really to be
preferred if the publisher of a paper
is determined to avoid the truth.

The narrowness of the judgment of
those who read yellow papers is ad-
mitted but not the lowness of their
mentality. Not an inconsiderable por-
tion of the world regards itself on
scandal and false assertion—men and
women, with their eyes to the
disregard for the proprieties in this
direction. These people may be of
deficient but they are hardly of low
mentality as many of their inven-
tions would evoke applause from the
Gazette. The advertiser pays his
money to have his wares mentioned
to those who are consumers—or who
may be probable consumers. The
newspaper that publishes outland
advertisements of a degrading char-
acter acknowledges its inferior char-
acter and announces to the world that
it circulates among the people likely
to be buyers of such wares. In this
alone, connected with advertising,
there is a streak of yellowness.

In the general aspects of the case
no editor is to be excused for false
statement intentionally made. The
occupation of the partisan editor has
been to distort and to refer to
from giving any news conflicting with
the political interests of himself and
his friends, and to censor news pub-
lished in conformity with his purpose.

This is the most vicious form of yellow-
ism, the one for which, if for any-
thing, a newspaper should be debar-
red from the mails. There must be
as much yellowism in omitting or
distorting news as in the publication
of news. The man who deliberately
tries to bolster a position known to
be false, who hopes to influence the
enactment of law or the control of
state, nation or community by false
utterance is no better than the one
who makes a display of wood type
and enters a penny of the man seek-
ing exhibition.

And why have not some of these
editors bethought them of starting a
yellow paper for righteousness sake?
If they have the opinion that colored
ink and large type are the only
ways to get their message across, why
do they not put scare heads
over accounts of good deeds of local
and general origin? Why do they
not make as much ado when some
good deed gives a neighbor a bushel
of potatoes as when some youth
steals a watermelon? These are the
things that they will be compelled
to answer.

Very special organ of man or
party is so much extent cricken of
the yellows, for its position binds it
to give undue praise in one direc-
tion and to make unjustifiable com-
ment in all other directions. A great
deal of the criticism of sensational-
ism comes from papers that have
been just as sensational as the ones
condemned, but which, by confining
themselves to small type and en-
larging the picture, have allowed
themselves to be outstripped by the
loud-mouthed class who consider one
lie sufficient provocation for bringing
out the wood type and publishing an
extra edition.

It will be admitted by all that the
newspaper work of the larger cities
has sadly deteriorated. There are
very few metropolitan publications of
merit. Such papers as the New York
Post, Richmond Dispatch, Pittsburg
Dispatch, Atlanta Constitution, New
York Sun, Philadelphia Public
Ledger and Pittsburgh Telegraph are
not often encountered. In fact, there
is a dearth of excellence having Pitts-
burg as its center, and there are
scattered examples, mostly found in
the larger cities of the east and
southeast, where some stable con-
sistency holds the paper to high
ideals. Yellowism is nothing more
than a new name for a condition that
has been long observed, and it would
be altogether senseless to limit the
criticism to one defect—even the
most glaring.

DROPS A SUGGESTION.
Under a Clermont date, ex-Gov.
William Larrabee writes as follows
concerning the insurance affairs of
the state:

"Our insurance laws, if well en-
forced, are ample to give reasonable
protection to the insured. J. L. Brown
while auditing state made a thor-
ough examination of the insurance
companies in the state and finding
some of them short of the legal re-
serve required them to make up the
deficiencies. While his methods and
actions in connection therewith are
not always pleasant and politic and
not altogether to be commended, there
is no question but what he did good
service to the state by placing the
companies under the strictest surveil-
lance. His methods, however, and
the patrons of the companies were
from recent years thereafter better
protected on account of his action. It
is natural that the hostility that he
provoked among the managers when
they were not operating their companies
in accordance with the requirements
of the law and the persecution of him
that followed was such as would
rather incline public officers to shrink
from a rigid enforcement of the laws.
Evils are constantly creeping into the
business and it is only by constant
vigilance on the part of the officers
whose duty it is to supervise the
companies that they are kept in pro-
per condition. There are honorable
men engaged in the insurance busi-
ness and they should be protected.
They are continuously in competition
with the dishonest and unscrupulous
adventurers who are attracted to the
business by unlawful gains and who
hold the interests of the insured and
the stockholders of their companies
only secondary to their own inter-
ests. The state affords a fair field
for the insurance business and hon-
orable men should be protected in it
by strict enforcement of the laws up-
on our statute books. Yours truly,
WM. LARRABEE."

It is possible that the governor has
in mind and could name some of the
shysters, and he may have opinions
as to whether they were shysters
when nominated by the party, or de-
veloped the trait while in office.

The British public is rather slow
to invest in Joey Chamberlain's get-
rich-quick tariff scheme.

TEDDY'S ODE TO TEDDY.

They may talk about their warriors
of past and modern times,
From Joshua to Cromwell and to
Miles;

They may prate about the battles
those fellows planned "and
fought,"

Their calculations, methods and
their styles,
But I'd have you understand, if you
have a lick of sense,

That when it comes to handing out
a punch,
I am the chap can do it with a swift
and bloody swirl.

For I'm the hottest warrior of the
bunch.

They talk about their Caesars, their
Hannibal and Nap.,
And other chaps who flourished in
a way,

But I want to tell you now, which
I'd have you not forget,
That I could give them pointers
any day.

And when it comes to Washington,
To Jackson and to Grant,
It takes away my appetite for
lunch.

To think of what they missed, be-
cause I wasn't there,
For I'd have been the greatest of
the bunch.

And it makes me hot and weary to
think about the way
In which they write about our war
with Spain.

How they prate about our Shafter,
Our Dewey and our Schley,
When unto me it's all so very
plain.

That I'm the red-hot warrior—the
hero of the scrap.

Who laid the Spaniards on the
grass to munch

And whipped the whole dented out-
fit, from Cervera to Cook,

Oh, wasn't I the bully of the
bunch!

—C. S. SHANKLIN.

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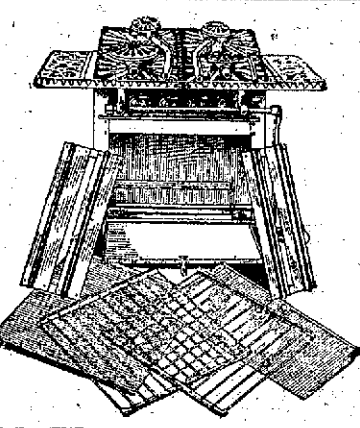
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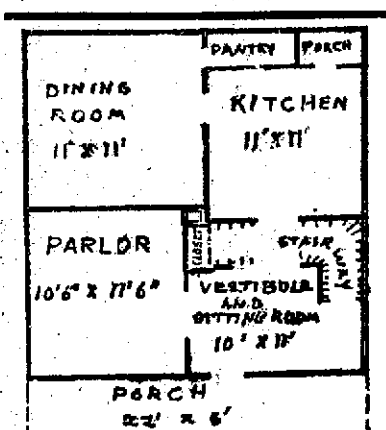
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*6:20pm St. Louis Ex. *6:40pm
*12:20am Chi. and Kan. City *9:20pm
*12:20am Chicago Pass. *1:00am
*12:55am Chi. and St. Louis *3:15am
10:00pm Burling'n and Des Moines *10:10am
8:05pm Clinton, Montezuma 6:50am
Iowa City trains leave at 6:50am,
10:10am, 2:50pm, 6:40pm.
Dayton trains at 6:50am, 10:10am,
2:50pm, 6:40pm, 10:10am, 2:50pm.
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and 6:40pm.
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Arrive. **NORTH.** Leave.
*1:50pm St. Paul, Minn. *12:20am
*2:35pm St. Paul and Minn. *7:40am
1:20pm Waterloo-Rockford 3:30pm
6:00pm Ia. Falls-St. Louis 8:20am
*12:20am Sioux Falls, W'town *12:40am
6:10pm Decorah Pass. *7:55am
9:00am West Union Pass