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WHY TAFT SHOULD BE CHOSEN.

The logical course for a political party to take at all times is the right course. It becomes necessary to determine between right and wrong in any great undertaking and especially so in a political campaign.

In the present crisis in the republican party, President Taft is unquestionably the man who should get the nomination and getting the nomination will be elected.

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MEDIATION MAY SETTLE TROUBLE.

It is to be hoped that the suggestion for mediation in the impending strike of railroad engineers will be accepted by both sides in the controversy and that the great harm which such a strike would cause not only to those involved but to the country at large may be avoided.

It is believed both sides will accept the friendly offer of the government and let mediation accomplish peacefully what the strike would result in, after much trouble and suffering.

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THE BULLETIN'S SHORT STORY.

AFTER THE RAIN

A huge raindrop fell upon Kate's cheek and, mindful of her best hat, she fled to the first doorway until the storm should pass.

It happened to be the open doorway of a business block. A fire had emptied the place of tenants and there was a smell of wet, burned wood that was unpleasant. But still more unpleasant was the fact that the doorway was already occupied and by Harris Hitchcock of all persons.

He raised his hat as she darted into the shelter and shook her skirts free of the clinging raindrops, but she turned her back upon him without acknowledging the salute.

"If my presence distresses you," he said coldly, "I might find some other shelter."

Kate looked out upon the flooded street with a little shudder. "Do not disturb yourself on my account," she said quickly. "There is plenty of room for us both."

"It will only be for a few moments," he said with a smile. "These furious storms seldom last."

No sense of guilt hung heavily upon his conscience. He had made fun of Kate's favorite matinee hero and she had angrily declared that she never again wished to speak to a man who was so lost to the appreciation of artistic endeavor.

He knew how frightened she was by thunder shows and every time she shrank from the heavy reverberations he longed to press her on his arm and comfort her, but he knew better than to seek to force the conversation when her every nerve was jumping.

Don't be afraid," he said reassuringly. "That struck somewhere near here. There is not the slightest danger."

In her overwrought nervous condition she believed that he was again trying to kiss her, and she shrank back, her face white with anger and her eyes blazing.

"Since it appears that I am not safe from annoyance here," she said, hotly, "you kindly return to your room?" Hitchcock barred the doorway. "I will go," he said quietly. "Believe me, I did not mean to offend."

Before he could step out into the deluge she had thrust him aside. He did not anticipate the move and was thrown off his balance. Before he could recover himself Kate stood in the doorway, gathering her skirts in one hand.

Just at that moment a dazzling flash shot from the heavens and rent a tree on the opposite side of the street, while the discharge was accompanied by a terrific clap of thunder.

With a little cry, Kate turned and blindly sought Hitchcock who sprang forward to catch her. She threw herself, sobbing into his arms, and he was obvious to all else sought to calm her. As a lawyer he had learned to use his voice to advantage, and now the calm, quiet assurance had their effect.

"You've always said I was a silly silly about lightning," she said, smiling through her tears, "but I never supposed that it would lead me to be quite so foolish."

"I can understand it," he said, comfortingly. "I shall forget all about it and consider that it never happened. We are still our friends, the enemy."

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"You were nice and didn't laugh," she explained. "I'm sorry I was so cross the other night. Though," she added, "you were not right in saying what you did about Mr. Kernochan."

"If you had let me finish what I was going to say I could have told you my reason," he said, with a smile. "Mrs. Kernochan, or Mrs. Cassidy, rather, is suing him for divorce because of his cruelty. I am her attorney, which is how I came to form my estimation of his character. He was in jail once for wife beating."

"And his name is Cassidy?" she demanded. "Honest?" "Peter Michael Cassidy," Hitchcock confirmed. His father used to drive an ash cart.

"Hurry," she said. "He bent his head to catch the whisper." "What is it dear?" he asked. "You won't beat me when we're married?" she asked.

Hitchcock's face was radiant. "I should say not," he declared. "Look, Kate, it's clearing up. Let's go and get the ring."

"It was such a lovely storm," she sighed contentedly as they stepped out on the street, and she joined in Hitchcock's laugh.—St. Louis Globe.

OTHER VIEW POINTS

The new minister from the Chinese republic to the United States is Chang Mum Yow. He graduated from Yale in 1883 and was coxswain on one of the crews that beat Harvard. He ought to stand in with Roosevelt and make good.—New Haven Union.

Old Ocean's caprices are grim and arbitrary. The leaky old Mayflower of 1620, in which today you would scarcely dare to sail the Mississippi river, crossed all right, while the \$10,000,000 modern palace with complete scientific equipment goes to the bottom.—Meriden Journal.

Governor Wilson of New Jersey spent three hours at the capitol the other day. This in itself is nothing remarkable, but some of those who are ever watching to criticize the brevity of his stays at the seat of government will not fail to take notice.—New Haven Register.

In fighting the sugar trust the government is confronting a decision of the supreme court which will stand for much longer the people will stand for the plan permitting one class to enrich themselves at the expense of the other, and for both to take it out of the consumer eventually.—Middletown Press.

The gross earnings of the steam rail lines of the New Haven road for March increased \$400,000 over the same month a year ago. By reason of being over-equipped rather than under-equipped, New Haven is generally in position to save practically all of its gross increases for the net.—Commercial Record.

The promptness with which congress has acted concerning the disaster to the Titanic, inspires the hope that it may be induced to proceed in an equally prompt and business like way with other pressing matters. Too much time is lost in wrangling and idle debates. Men have their minds made up in advance, and speechmaking changes few votes.—Middletown Sun.

An American artist, said to be the possessor of talent of not mean order, died a few days ago in a garret filled with unsold paintings. His last moments may have been cheered by the thought that fifty or a hundred years after he has gone some future J. E. Moran, from, perhaps, South America or Asia, might be paying fabulous prices for the paintings that he could find no purchaser for.—Springfield Union.

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