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THE STONE REJECTED. For years it had been trampled in the street.

Of Florence by the drift of heedless feet— The stone that Buonarroti made confess

That shape you know, that marble loveliness. You mind the tale—how he was passing

When the rude marble caught his Jovian eye, That stone men had dishonored and had thrust

Out to the insult of the wayside dust. He stooped to lift it from its mean estate,

And bore it on his shoulder to the gate, Where all day long a hundred hammers rang;

And soon his chisels round the marble sang, Till suddenly the hidden angel shone That had been waiting, prisoned in the stone.

Thus came the cherub, with the laughing face That long has lighted up an altar place.

—Edwin Markham.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY. Never does the human soul appear so strong and noble as when it foregoes

revenge and dares to forgive an injury.—E. H. Chapin.

Speaking of the turkey trot, it came to an end at the block.

Huerta says the world is watching Mexico. Certainly Mexico needs watching.

The football season is now ended—and that's still another thing to be thankful for.

As further evidence that he is persona non grata Huerta wasn't invited to the white house wedding.

Thanksgiving day is over for this year, but there isn't any law against being thankful the other 364 days.

The cost of living has been hit another hard lick. Tennis balls are to be a dollar a dozen cheaper next season.

The Philadelphia health department has issued a warning that colds may be caught by kissing. Come on with your cold!

Abe Martin quotes a local character as saying that he hates to see a questionable show come along because it is so hard to get up to the box office.

The members of a Chicago Women's club have resolved to boycott eggs until the price is reduced. They refuse to pay more than 30 cents a dozen.

Two women discovered they claimed the same husband. The women quarreled so fiercely the man took poison and died. The moral? There is none.

Valley Junction, near Des Moines is now enjoying the same kind of a boom as Hamilton did twenty odd years ago when prohibition was enforced in Keokuk.

It is possible to overdo in the matter of economy. The Mexican practice of executing prisoners of war, for instance, to save board bills is not wholly commendable.

Shop early: We hear much about the bad Turk. Why should we our own duty shirk? If we shop long and late

We show the same trait And act like a Turk to the clerk.

Mrs. Hettie Green is 78 and a week over. "Don't worry," she says in her recipe for right living: "don't worry, eat onion, have a clear conscience and get 100 cents worth out of every dollar you spend."

"The Parents' Rights League of America" has been launched in San Francisco for the purpose of protecting the rights of parents over children and to counteract the "evil influence" of childless reformers.

Now that the Danes are shipping eggs to this country it will be easier than ever to believe with Hamlet that there is something rotten in Denmark.

Punishment befitting the crime should be meted out to the men who "frisked" the Frisco railroad. The fact that they stand high in financial circles does not lessen the gravity of their offense.

Some Clinton doctors have inoculated Congressman Pepper with anti-typhoid serum. Now if somebody will give Fred White a shot of the non-sentimental stuff, suggests the Marshalltown Times-Republican, both men will be out of danger.

Keokuk and Iowa City are congratulated by the Clinton Herald on the possession of new, ample and thoroughly modern hotels. "They will find them," says the Herald, "excellent advertisements and worth all they cost. A good hotel is one of the best assets a city can have."

A referendum on whether turkey or sardines should be served for Thanksgiving was taken in the Mississippi penitentiary. The 800 white convicts voted for turkey, but the 1,200 negroes voted for sardines. The Globe-Democrat explains that the negroes merely wanted to prove that imprisonment had given them a contrite spirit.

Cincinnati has started a movement that will have the enthusiastic endorsement of heads of families everywhere. The practice of beating carpets is declared unsanitary and a menace to the public health, which it is, undoubtedly. No argument is needed to convince anyone who has ever beaten a carpet that the practice should be abolished.

The women of Kansas are now allowed to vote, but they want to have equal property rights with their husbands. They are asking that the probate court laws be simplified so that women will be equal partners with their husbands in the business which they conduct. They think it should be possible for a woman to go right on with the business of her husband after his death as his equal partner.

The state board of health at its sessions during the past week decided upon making a thorough investigation of sanitary conditions in Iowa and especially in every city of the state, with regard to garbage, sewage, pollution of streams, etc. The board will secure reliable information as to conditions all over the state and especially will analyze the water and investigate the drainage question.

A point to be emphasized in the tuberculosis seal campaign is that in order to get the greatest benefit the seals should be used, as well as purchased. Those who buy them should not destroy them. They are asked to attach the seals to letters, bills, checks, packages, to anything that will be seen. Every seal has an educational value. Employers using checks for their payrolls are especially requested to put seals upon them.

This thing of whipping the electric distributing companies over the back of the Mississippi River Power company is both unwise and unjust. It betrays a woeful lack of discrimination on the part of critics of the cost of power, and punishes the power company for conditions for which it is in nowise responsible. The incident is another illustration of the fact that great zeal and wisdom do not as a rule hunt in couples. In this case they are entire strangers to each other.

A beautiful and impressive scene was witnessed in St. John's church in this city on Thursday as a part of the Thanksgiving services. The pulpit was decorated with the national colors and Kipling's "Recessional" was sung as the offertory anthem. During its rendition a chorister marched behind the cross-bearer carrying the American flag. This combination of the two emblems thrilled all present and has given rise to much favorable comment. So far as known it was an original idea and the credit for it belongs to the rector of St. John's, Rev. John C. Sage. No more inspiring spectacle was ever witnessed in a Keokuk church.

OVERZEALOUS LAW ENFORCEMENT.

A recent case before the Georgia court of appeals furnishes an example of an overzealous attempt at law enforcement. Defendant being suspected of unlawfully having intoxicating liquors in his possession, the police went to his place of business without a warrant and instituted a search. While this was being done accused closed and locked his iron safe. Upon request to open it for inspection he refused, was taken to the police station, the keys for his safe forcibly taken from him, the safe opened, and a large quantity of whiskey found therein. Accused objected to testimony of the seizure and discovery of the liquor as being violative of the constitutional provision that "no person shall be compelled to give testimony tending in any manner to incriminate himself." The Georgia court upheld his contention, saying among other things: "Neither the liberty of the citizen nor the sanctity of his home should be invaded without legal warrant.

Suspicion is no substitute for a legal warrant, and the badge of authority is the emblem of law and order, and gives no right to the wearer to arrest without warrant, imprison without authority, and torture without mercy. Any compulsory discovery of self-incriminating evidence is abhorrent to a proper sense of justice and is intolerable to American manhood. What is commonly known as the methods of the "third degree," so frequently used by zealous officials or interested detectives, may be an appropriate part of that jurisprudence which holds that every man is guilty when accused of crime until he proves his innocence; but it has no place in the jurisprudence of a land where the cardinal principle of humanity and justice is that every man is presumed to be innocent until his guilt is shown by legal evidence beyond a reasonable doubt. These arbitrary methods of discovering crime are subversive of the fundamental principles of law, destructive of the indefensible rights of personal liberty, personal rights, and private property, and place at the mercy of every petty official and conscienceless criminal the life, liberty, and reputation of the citizen."

TRAINING IN CITIZENSHIP.

How the Winston-Salem, N. C., board of trade is helping the high school to train boys for citizenship is told in a bulletin just issued by the United States bureau of education. The school authorities established a course for high school seniors in government and economics, and put it under the direction of the secretary of the Winston-Salem board of trade. The course is a foundation course in the principles of economics and government, but with special reference to the industrial, commercial and agricultural problems of the United States, particularly the southern states. Next a "juvenile club" was organized among the boys, in connection with the board of trade, the purpose being to have the boys check up their theoretical knowledge gained in school with the practical, everyday problems of an industrial center, such as Winston-Salem is. Boys in the club were granted all the privileges of regular board of trade members, except voting. They were allowed to take part in debate and were assigned to committee work. Before entering the club they took the "Athenian oath" whereby they promised allegiance to the highest ideals of civic righteousness for their city.

One of the first tasks assigned the boys was to assist in the industrial survey of Winston-Salem which the board of trade is making. Students who had been specializing in the economics and government department of the high school were chosen for this work. In this way they are getting a first-hand knowledge of organized industrial efforts in its relation to the welfare of the community.

"The Winston-Salem plan," says LeRoy Hodges, secretary of the board of trade, "trains the boys of the city directly for citizenship; first, in the high school, where they are taught the principles of civil government and instructed in the theories and basic problems governing our economic order; second, in the juvenile club, where they have the means of being identified with the real work of municipal development, and take part in actual social and industrial investigations. An opportunity is thus provided for the boys to study at close range the varied industries of the city under competent direction and in an official capacity." In brief, the plan contemplates, first, teaching the boys how to live; and, second, equipping them with an education whereby they can make a living, which, in the end, is the real secret of practical training for intelligent citizenship.

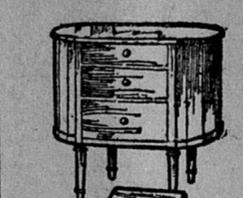
EFFECT OF PANAMA CANAL.

Paradoxical as it may seem the division of North and South America by the Panama canal will bring the two continents closer together. This is the opinion of Mr. Gabriel Hanotaux, the celebrated French historian and recent minister of foreign affairs. Now that the wall between the Atlantic and the Pacific is pierced, he says in the Paris Figaro, "it is not possible any more to think of a North American people, but of a unique people dwelling north and south of the canal, animated in their national life by the same ideal—the American ideal." Mr. Hanotaux seems to think that Americanism is one of the new developments of human life, public and private, in the progress of the human race; and that this development is to be promoted by the opening of the canal. This writer and philosopher goes on to say: "For the future the sentiment of Americanism ought to be developed uniformly in the two Americas of the North and South. Nobody can deny that there are analogies and special parallels between the various peoples of America, even among those who are of different racial origin and brought up on a different religious and educational basis."

It is interesting to notice how this leader of political and historical thought in France, even in Europe, claims for his own country a supremacy in that realm of political enlightenment of which he is conceded to be a supreme teacher. "France," he says, "which is in the world the centralizer of civilization, has been ever eager in attaining a position by which she should set the standard of intellectual unity, and now French intellectualism has become the talk of the world." The South American has recognized the fact that nobody in Brazil, Argentina, or Peru can exist without an acquaintance with the splendid cosmopolitan works of France. In America 60 per cent of the foreign books imported from

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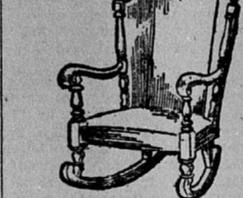
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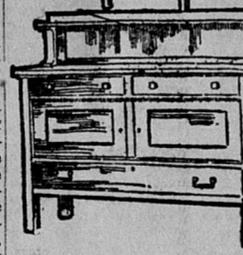
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Europe are French. Consequently France really possesses a wonderful influence over North American thought. France, in fact, he concludes triumphantly, is able to serve through the Panama canal as an intermediary between the Americans of the South and the Americans of the North, and the power of France will ever thus be recognized as that which will link the two peoples into a moral, political, and intellectual harmony.

The French philosopher's claim that France is the centralizer of civilization will be received with considerable surprise by those who have been led to believe that France is a decaying nation, a charge borne out by the astounding decrease in the birth rate of the republic. In the world of science and letters, however, France predominates.

THE DANGEROUS HOBBLE.

Hobble skirts and high heels continue to be responsible for an increasingly large number of injuries suffered by women while getting on or off trains and mounting or descending stairways in stations, according to a statement issued by the Pennsylvania railroad. A careful record kept for the three months ending October 14 of all injuries sustained by women and due to slipping, stumbling or falling while on the railroad property indicates that these accidents are becoming more rather than less frequent, despite the fact that the railroad management has repeatedly called the attention of its women patrons to the number of accidents caused by hobble skirts and high heels. Between July 14 and August 14 forty-four such accidents occurred on the Pennsylvania railroad. The records show forty-two accidents of that kind in the next month and fifty-two during the month ending October 14.

Staying Too Long.

Perry Chief: Down in Des Moines the city commissioners are kicking because the newspapers insist on finding out how the city business is run. Sometimes officials stay in office so long that they think they own the job.

The Highest Road Tax.

Marshalltown Times-Republican: The man who gets stuck in a mud hole and pays \$15 to be hauled out or the man who runs a \$2,000 auto into a chuck hole and pays \$50 for repairs pays a road tax which is equal to the highest road tax that has ever been proposed for a quarter section of valu-

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