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Concerning Deaths in Wars.

Deaths from all causes during the Spanish war were 6,150, or 24 per cent of the total strength of 25,600 men, against 85 per cent of deaths in the army during the first year of the civil war.

It is not unusual in wars that much greater losses occur in the camps from disease than occur in battle, or from wounds received in battle.

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tain a mass of information concerning personal grievances and charges against the murdered banker, largely with a domestic and business bearing, circumstantially related, he makes the further statement that he regarded himself "as the chosen instrument of the Divine Being to wreak wrathful vengeance upon a man who was not fit to live."

The prominence of the actors in the tragedy, the peculiar circumstances of the case, and the remarkable conduct of the slayer will make the occurrence and the trial that will follow one of unusual interest.

An Untruthful Organ.

Our friend, the Register, in making some very exaggerated statements, intended to convey the impression that the administration's supporters are charging such men as Senator Hoar, Andrew Carnegie and other able men in this country who oppose any proposition for the permanent retention of the Philippines, with treason, makes this untruthful statement:

"Already the postoffice department has stopped the circulation of the Congressional Record among troops in the Philippines. The next step—if they dare take it—may be the prohibition of the use of the mails to American newspapers not owned by and for the administration and its Wall street allies."

The last unjustifiable fling, exhibiting nothing but a malicious partisan spirit, is not worth commenting upon.

The first sentence is a deliberate falsehood. No stoppage of the circulation of the Congressional Record anywhere on this globe has been ordered.

The Congressional Record is the official chronicle of the debates and the proceedings of Congress, which sits with open doors.

Citizens and soldiers of this country, wherever they may be or whatever their position on earth, are entitled to read it and to have it mailed to them.

It is not strange that, under our system of maintaining a small army, the percentage of deaths from and cases of disease in camps were very large, not only in the beginning of the late Spanish-American war but in the civil war of 1861-'65.

The United States has maintained from the beginning a very small standing army, and, in case of war, volunteers have always formed the great forces necessary for defense.

These volunteers were made up largely of young men, who were without any training whatever in army life and the requirements of a campaign, and were suddenly summoned from home life.

Those who have been members of the National Guard in this country are drilled in tactics, and have had their few days each year in camp, surrounded by all the comforts that the state provides, and none of the discomforts of the crowded camps of thousands of troops.

It is not the Congressional Record that has been "stopped from going to the troops." It is a pamphlet containing speeches delivered upon but one side of the question, garbled from the Record, all arguments on the side of the supporters of the brave men in the Philippines being suppressed.

Perhaps the Register will consent to inform its readers what purpose there was in circulating this pamphlet, the nature of which we truthfully describe, among American soldiers in the field, at the instance of American citizens?

Was it wholly disinterested and was it real true patriotism to attempt to create dissensions among our troops at a critical juncture?

The public sentiment for arbitration of the street car strike is gaining in strength because it is the only means left, whatever else may be suggested.

When all other means fail the parties to a controversy in business matters, in law, in labor troubles, in even international disputes, find a compromise better than entire failure to agree.

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A cause is weakened, when its advocates fail to recognize the principle that compromise is better than defeat, where the welfare of themselves and of the public is at stake.

Wheeling people are being treated to an object lesson in this absolute fact. Interviews with representative citizens of every class indicate that the sentiment referred to is growing.

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OUT OF MOUTHS OF BABES.

"Papa, I know what makes some people laugh in their sleeves," said little Harry. "Well, my son, what makes them?" asked the father.

"Where does eke-terriers come from?" asked four-year-old Margie. "Humph!" exclaimed her brother.

"What was your father whipping you for last night?" asked one small boy of another. "Oh," replied the other.

"Tommy," said a father to his precocious five-year-old son and heir, "your mother tells me she gives you pennies to be good."

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PASSING PLEASANTRIES.

"I wonder why a busy man like Jenks should want to go to the legislature?" "I don't know—unless he needs the money."

"He laughs best who laughs last." "I don't know. It's mighty dismal business getting off a joke and having to laugh at it yourself because nobody else does."

In the Lobby. "Is there any doubt as to Mr. Snyder's honesty?" "Not the slightest. You can buy him with a five-dollar bill, and if you haven't got that, a cigar will do the business."

Horrors of Mendacity. "This," said Tuff Knutt, as he began his meal on the back porch with the quarter-section of pie the good woman of the house had handed him.

While the landlady and the boarders bent their heads devoutly above the table the new arrival sat bolt upright.

"Well, I see you've moved. Did those people you employed do a good job?" "Fine. They broke only five mirrors out of a possible six, and I think I can have the plastering they knocked off replaced at an outlay of not more than \$45."

Little Harvey detests peas. He will not eat them at home under any circumstances. The other day he dined out, and on his return home his mother asked him "Harvey, were you polite at Mrs. Chadwick's?"

Silence is a difficult argument to beat. The course of true love is very often kite-shaped.

Every time a woman sees a mirror she pauses to reflect.

The doctor who gets out of patients is apt to lose his temper.

A weak back doesn't necessarily imply a weak mind behind the times.

Satan loves hypocrites because they serve him best and require no wax.

Some women love to make bread because it cleans their hands so beautifully.

Many a so-called fire-proof building has furnished indisputable proof of a fire.

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