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## THE LOGIC OF EMPTY STOMACHS

"America first! We appeal to you for mercy and justice. Our children are starving. Come down with the prices."  
 "Uncle Sam, why feed murderers? Feed your own children! Open the warehouses. We demand food for our children."  
 "Never mind Riverside Drive, Mr. Mayor; we want onions, potatoes, chickens, too. We don't want rice, we want real food."  
 Sample utterances, these, which were flaunted from hundreds of banners and hurled from thousands of throats of haggard, hunger-rioting New York and Philadelphia women in the teeth of restraining officers of the law, the squalid, pinched faces of their children, which they held aloft, bearing pathetic testimony to the indubitable sincerity of their petition.

And momentous words they are and matter for sobering thought, regardless of the degree of mistaken, blind hysteria with which they may have been uttered, to one with any concern for the present state of social economics, our inequalities of station and fortune, and the extent to which government may be made effective to prevent the widening of such differences, beyond the measure of what is according to nature, and therefore inevitable. Their momentousness consists in that they are the expressions of people at a physical crisis which identifies them with practically all of us, when under the same circumstances. People who are reaching the point where the human, reverting to type in the elemental instinct of self-preservation, ceases to distinguish nicely as to who or what is responsible for its privation, or reck as to consequences in attempting to relieve it.

As to what to do in the situation, it is a case where, as the doctors might say, it is much easier to diagnose than prognosis, or tell what to prescribe, with a permanent cure in view. A cash sop will likely, in our opinion, in time, temporarily tide the country over the breakers, and should be thrown here and there. "Cash," we say, for it looks like there have been no shipments of necessities abroad, which would render an embargo on future exports imperative. So it is merely a question of paying producers and dealers their prices, as in the mass of instances we believe they will be found to be legitimate. And there are evidently sufficient food products in this country.

But we are convinced the country will not have clear sailing on any large, national scale, till there are radical advances in food production, distribution and domestic economy.

The late James J. Hill, who might be presumed to speak with some authority as to the status of transportation necessities, predicted a number of years ago that owing to our rapid growth, as compared with the stagnation in railroad construction, unless, as we recollect, several billions were expended for further expansion, this country might expect to be in the throes of such a blockade as now confronts us. He also held and, the builder of our Empire of the Northwest was conceded to know considerable things about cereals, that unless our wheat yield, of 14 bushels per acre, were brought much nearer that of Europe, which is about double that figure, we would before long have to look abroad for our bread-stuff.

But the great reform which the present crisis shows to be sadly needed and, along which line many of us are no doubt, in one way or another culpable, is abatement of domestic waste, illogical customs as regards what are properly acceptable as edibles, and our more or less willful dietary ignorance of food equivalents, from a nutritive point of view.

Considering the cheapness of chemical knowledge, think of anyone, as did numbers of the New York rioters, clamoring for potatoes, nearly the entire chemical constituent of which can be supplied from the pump, and "turning up their noses" at rice which, almost alone, maintains in excellent physical vigor, hundreds of millions of the human race. Wonder how many such people ever tried to fatten a hog on potatoes. And that, too, when, as any Farmers' Institute lecturer will tell us, we give the porker the best part of the tuber, the same as we do for our cereal products, the glutenous covering.

Præsent thinkers hold we are coming to a time when government will set the price of commodities as well as labor. As we seem to be approaching a compulsory, minimum wage regime, it is not easy to see how we can logically escape the other horn of the dilemma—a minimum price to producers of food and other vital necessities.

There is now such a want of system and disproportion between the purchasing power of the remuneration of employes, in terms of the necessary factors of their livelihood, one year with another, that the present predicament, with many, as regards their difficulty of maintenance, may arise almost any time.

If this were regulated and uniformized, there would apparently be no complaint, whether one got \$3, \$2, or even \$1 a day. At least it is the testimony of many a wage-earner with whom we have talked, who was not infected with "ingrowing" politics, that he fared as well or better with his single dollar, during our so-called "soup-house" eras, as he does today.

## MALLET CREEK

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Indoe were in Cleveland Friday and Saturday, where they attended the funeral of an old friend.

George Starr spent Saturday in Elyria.

The Y. M. C. A. will have a monthly meeting in the school house Saturday night, March 3.

John Starr has a new Buick automobile.

Bertha Bohley spent over Sunday with her brother Phillip and family of Elyria.

Miss Laura Warner spent over Sunday at home.

Miss Huldah Wolff, who is teaching in Berea, spent the week-end at home.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Rev. and Mrs. W. D. Town, Wednesday, March 7.

Mrs. McQuiston and daughter of Lodi visited her brother, Harvey Kulp and family Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Anna Walters, Miss Louise

Spieth, Miss Mamie Starr and Albert Spieth spent last Thursday in Cleveland.

Cyrus Allen of Kalamazoo, Mich., was in town Saturday. Mr. Allen lived in York 51 years ago.

A little daughter at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weber, Feb. 26. Alwin Wolff was home from Elyria over Sunday.

G. A. Manning and Miss Hallie spent Sunday in Elyria.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Indoe visited in Brunswick Sunday.

A fine little boy, Richard James, has been making his home with Mr. and Mrs. William Crosby since Feb. 22.

There will be a social for the men and boys in the town hall on Friday, March 9. Three Y. M. C. A. workers of Oberlin will be present and there will be something doing every minute.

There will be a program on sports followed by a short talk by one of the young men and plenty of eats for all. Don't miss it.

The Ladies' Missionary society of the Congregational church will serve dinner in the town hall Thursday, Mar. 8.

Mrs. O. G. Swartz has the mumps. There will be an entertainment in the town hall on March 6, given by John Beck, Fred Bohley, Miss Ensign and others, to the number of six.

## ERHART

Mr. Herman Staus of Henryville, Ind., was visiting the past week with his aunt, Mrs. Theo. Haury.

Mr. Chas. Dean of Henryville, Ind., has rented Theo. Haury's farm on West Road.

Mr. Wm. Strittmatter spent Thursday in Cleveland.

Joe Rising has moved to his farm on North street.

Mrs. Joe Degnan, Miss Ella Schaefer and Jas. April spent Wednesday in Elyria.

A large crowd attended Wm. Fahrion's sale.

Chas. Bower and wife spent Sunday visiting at Berea.

Mr. George Hammon is improving slowly, but is not out of danger yet.

Chas. Bowes has purchased a new team of horses. They came from southeast of Medina.

J. A. Kaiser and wife, Arthur Haury Ella Schaefer, Irene Haury and Pearl Grabenstetter attended the show at Belden last week.

Chas. Otterbecker was in Medina on business last Wednesday.

Miss Mary Kalb spent Sunday at Chippewa Lake, visiting at the home of Mr. Mell Reese.

The embargo on hay has made things quite dull here.

Mrs. Cline spent Wednesday in Elyria.

Miss Ella Grabenstetter spent Sunday at home.

P. Grabenstetter moved this week to the Jacob Haury farm.

John Dowdell is working in Cleveland for the B. & O. R. R.

## Y. M. C. A. NOTES

A full house greeted the program presented by Drummer Hendershot and son at the Litchfield town hall last week. The local Y. M. C. A. boys and several men and women of this community gave some excellent musical numbers. Rev. O. C. Bedford presided and helped greatly with the program.

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meeting of the Medina Board next Monday.

Secretary Byron Schnell of Union county, returned from association duty on the Mexican border last week. Mr. Schnell was assistant secretary here during the year of 1913-14.

## SCOUT NEWS

There will be a meeting at the Garfield school at 6:30 p. m., Tuesday, March 6. The local Philatelic society will meet with us and all Scouts who have collections are requested to bring them. Allan Root will take the tenderfoot examination at this time.

Examination camp will be held at the cabin Saturday and Sunday, March 10 and 11. All Scouts are requested to be present. Visitors are welcome at any time.

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## OBITUARY

Hannah, daughter of David and Esther Kinney, was born in York state, Nov. 5, 1850, died Feb. 20, 1917, at the age of 66 years, 3 months, 15 days. October 25, 1877, she gave her hand in marriage to Frank A. Gannett, moving to Spencer, where she has lived since. To this union three children were born: Elmer, Claud and Ella Gannett (Soy). When only 16 years of age she gave her heart to Christ, uniting with the Baptist church in her old home, transferring her membership to Spencer later on, where she has occupied the position of deaconess for many years. Mrs. Gannett made friends wherever she went by her gentle manner and generous ways, ever ready to assist in the advancement of the conditions of mankind. A life like this needs no eulogizing; of her it can be said: her works do follow her. Besides the husband, two children, seven grandchildren, one sister, three brothers, who feel the loss most keenly. Spencer has lost a valuable citizen. Peace be to her ashes.

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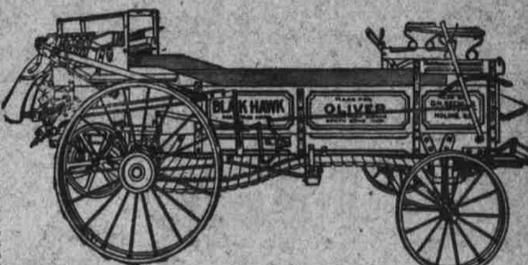
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