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ARE U.S. CANON'S RESERVE TO HILL

Mr. Charles A. Gardner, a distinguished corporation lawyer of New York city, has made an interesting and able reply to Senator Hill's argument in support of the coal plank of the New York Democratic platform.

Mr. Gardner distinguished himself a short while back when the question of our right to acquire the Philippines was under discussion by showing conclusively that the United States Government had under the Constitution the undoubted right to acquire foreign territory by purchase or otherwise.

But while not receding from that position, Mr. Gardner now comes forward to show the limitations of the Federal Government in its exercise of power and to enunciate and preach the doctrine of State sovereignty.

He then takes up Senator Hill's contention one by one and shows that he is wrong on "expressed powers," wrong on "implied powers," wrong on "eminent domain," wrong on the "general welfare" clause of the Constitution, on "interstate commerce," on "national sovereignty," on "State sovereignty," wrong on every principle he contends for.

Things save come to a strange pass, indeed, when a Republican must come to the front to tell a leading Democrat of this nation and his party associates the plain truth about Democracy, to tell them that they have forsaken their principles, and that they are preaching Socialism.

But while admiring Mr. Gardner's able address and while commending him for showing the fallacy of Mr. Hill's argument and for enunciating so clearly the doctrine of true Democracy, we cannot agree with him in the eulogy which he passes in conclusion upon President Roosevelt.

CHILD LABOR IN ALABAMA.

Montgomery correspondent says that the movement in Alabama in favor of a law to regulate child labor in the factories is being pushed with great vigor, especially as under the new Constitution the Legislature will meet but once in four years, and every effort will be made, therefore, to secure its passage by the General Assembly this winter, the elections for which will be

held Tuesday, November 4th. Advocates of child-labor legislation are in a quiet way making it an issue in many counties in the State.

The work is being done by the "Central Committee on Child Labor," of which Mr. Edgar Gardner Murphy, secretary of the Southern Education Board, is chairman. Other members of this committee are former Governor Thomas G. Jones, Dr. J. H. Phillips, superintendent of the public schools of Birmingham; the Hon. J. B. Gaston, judge of the Probate Court of Montgomery; the Hon. Gordon MacDonald, one of the leaders in the recent Constitutional Convention; the Hon. John Craft, of Mobile; the Hon. A. J. Rely, of Birmingham, who presented and urged the bill before the last Legislature, and S. B. Marks, president of the First National Bank of Montgomery.

The women are also taking an active part in the campaign and the American Federation of Women's Clubs and other women's organizations are doing good service.

The proposed law excludes from mills and factories all children under twelve unless a widowed mother or invalid father is wholly dependent upon their labor. It requires mill men to keep on file certificates as to the age of children employed; provides that no child under sixteen shall be employed in any factory between the hours of seven P. M. and six A. M.; that no child shall be so employed unless he can read and write his name and simple English sentences, and that no child between twelve and fourteen years shall be so employed unless he attends school for at least twelve weeks during the year.

We are not prepared to say that this measure is practicable, but it is conceived in the right spirit and is a measure in the right direction. From all that we have heard we are inclined to believe that the situation has been exaggerated, but there is no doubt that many children are working in the factories to the grievous detriment of their health and to the neglect of their education, and something must be done to save them.

RUSSIA AND FINLAND.

Several years ago when Russia broke faith with Finland and deprived the brave and sturdy people of the land of their right to govern themselves, the Times denounced the unrighteous act and predicted that Russia would lose rather than gain by her perfidy. The prediction has been fulfilled.

"The action of the Czar of Russia," says the Boston Transcript, "in depriving the Finns of their national rights has resulted in preparations for an extensive immigration to this country, which, in spite of all the talk of our departure from the standards of our fathers, is still the home of the fugitives from the oppressions of European nations. Twenty thousand are expected to reach our shores during the winter, and there will be a steady addition to our new arrivals from that country for years to come. Possibly the requirements of statesmanship alone may induce the Russian rulers to drive out this ancient people from their homes, but though they have not been of a high average for culture when compared with those from some other lands, it is only lately that the best people of Finland have cared to leave their country. Those who will now come to us are men of high ability and patriotism whom no nation should be willing to lose."

"That which is morally wrong cannot be politically right," said the late lamented Dr. Hoge, and that great and good man never uttered a more forceful truism. That which is wrong between man and man cannot be right between nation and nation. The nation which prospers is the nation of honor and character. Russia broke faith with the Finns and did them a cruel wrong. It is no wonder that the Finns are determined by one method or another to get away from such galling bondage. As many as come will be welcomed in our land of refuge.

Minister Wu is indignant. Several days ago a newspaper made the statement that he and his dainty little wife had abandoned their Oriental costumes and had taken a drive, dressed in the height of American fashion. Minister Wu says there is no truth, whatever, in the story. He hasn't bought or worn any American clothes, the Chinese garments being entirely to his taste and his comfort. He is again made to wonder at our disregard for truth. This is not the first time the newspapers have misrepresented him.

But he doesn't understand the enterprise of the American reporter, nor the careless way that many Americans have of seeing things and relating what they have seen. No doubt somebody saw a Chinese gentleman and lady driving, dressed in American clothes and took the couple to be Minister Wu and his wife. That person told a newspaper man what he (or she) had seen, and the reporter made a good story out of the whole thing, so to speak. Minister Wu should know that the art of observing correctly is very much neglected in the education of Americans. That is why we are such liars.

The manufacturers of nerve-bracing concoctions will find poor sales in Newport News, where the saloon-keepers go in squads of two to the Mayor's office to protest against the police watching their side doors on Sunday.

Mr. Cleveland, but he called no names and cruelly left us to guess wildly whether he referred to Olney and Tom Johnson or Waterson and Coler or Gorman and Mayor Harrison.

Senator Hanna is credited with the statement that "the negro vote of Ohio is the most infernal nuisance the party has to deal with." The trouble seems to be that it has to be bought several times before it will stay bought.

Let's all try to be real good now. The Prince of Siam says: "I can assure the American people that if they'll be good neighbors to us, we'll be good neighbors to them."

On the planet Mars, which is said to be inhabited, the people may enjoy lovelier autumns than we have in old Virginia, but this can't be said of any people on the earth.

The father confessor of young King Alfonso has resigned, and so has the treasurer of the State of Mississippi, and both for the same reason—they found their jobs too burdensome.

"Our Lady of the Beches" is the title of a novel just from the press. We can't explain it, unless, as may be the case, the printer dropped an "r."

When somebody's high-strung automobile disputes the right of way with a fat-flying trolley car, there is going to be something for the reporters to write about.

The lily white roller of the down South Republican color press is getting a little more black ink on it as the days go by and the Washington mail gets in.

Dr. Lorenz, the famous Austrian, now in this country, cures suffering little children without butchering them up with a carving knife. May his imitators be legion.

"Now for the 'humorous' paragraphs on the nomination of Sterne Wheeler for Senator in Norway," says The Hartford Current. A Salt River craft, we presume.

A St. Louis man disregarded a summons to serve on a jury because his marriage to a St. Louis woman had been set for the same hour. He thought he knew which court order to obey.

Some political speakers are reflecting upon a very respectable Virginia product when they refer to other political orators as peanut politicians.

The coal strike cannot be considered entirely settled until the price of coal shall have been struck down.

One trust couldn't stand the watering process. The salt trust has been dissolved.

And now comes the Mississippi Homeopathic Association to declare that kissing is unhealthy, even in small doses.

The owners of the French mines are gradually finding something to arbitrate, Yes, and we are not so certain whether either of them is proud of it.—Roanoke News.

Each can be proud of the final record made. The intimated negro office boy in Virginia who revealed to the administrator of an estate the hiding place of a fortune in cash, the existence of which was not even suspected, is to be made cashier of a bank regardless of his color or age.—Boston Globe.

Bankers will probably consider him too idiotic to be kept about a bank. When these things are done, we shall expect to hear that the valiant police have started a crusade against the Richmond preachers, who most unquestionably labor on the Sabbath.—Newport News Press.

No, the preachers, like the newspaper men, do most of their work on Saturday, only going to press on Sunday. Our esteemed contemporaries, The Times and Dispatch, of Richmond, were fined two dollars in the Police Court for issuing their papers on Sunday. We fear the reformists will make Richmond so good that it will take wings and move off the earth.—Blackstone Courier.

Strength and endurance to those wings if they will remove it about two hundred miles farther from Petersburg!—Index-Appal.

Those who, why, should our contemporaries desire to abandon the shelter of their wings?—Fredericksburg Free Lance. Somebody might stop in Petersburg sometimes if Richmond were farther away.

Just a Bit Humorous. "There seems to be considerable excitement in your town to-day," said the visitor.

"Yes," answered the native. "Several of the fellows is present in a life-saving medal to Henry Piller."

"What sort of a hero is Piller? Did he rescue someone from a burning building, stop a runaway, or drag a drowning person from the raging waves?"

"Nope; nothing like that. You see, our town has been local option for nigh onto a year, an Piller runs the only drug store we have."—Judge.

Teacher—Now, Johnny, what do we learn from the parable of the prodigal son? Johnny—Why—er—I s'pose it teaches us not to be a calf.—Exchange.

"Well, Riegsy, how are you making it? Got a situation yet?" "Naw, Nuthin' but a job."—Chicago Tribune.

Alice—Uncle Gabe, what would you do if you had a million dollars? Uncle Gabe—Well, I don't rightly know, but if I had a million dollars I believe I'd sit my shoes half-soled.—Puck.

Towne—Rather absent-minded, isn't he? Brown—Extremely so. Why, the other night when he got home he knew there was something he wanted to do, but he couldn't remember what it was until he had set up over an hour trying to think it. Towne—And did he finally remember it? Brown—Yes; he discovered that he wanted to go to bed early.—Philadelphia Press.

Trend of Thought in Dixie Land.

Speaking of the trouble some Northern States are having with the negro voter, the Atlanta Constitution says: "The disfranchisement of the negro, therefore, was not beyond taking from him his ballot through prejudice confined to his color and incompetency. It was taken from him by lawful means, and it is a new and a commercial impediment for the making of majorities for those who will pay him a price for the debauchery of his manhood and his self-degradation. When this fact goes fully understood through the Northern expatriate with the negro voter, we are sure there will be less ignorant criticism from that section of the measures of protection we have taken against his electoral votability."

The Augusta Chronicle, referring to the inauguration of a Southern man as president of Princeton College, says: "Such an intelligent man as Dr. Willson has a mighty influence for commanding the respect of the North for the South. He demonstrates that this section is prolific of all kinds of genius, and that the South, in more ways than one, is forging to the front, and will, in the twentieth century, regain a position in the Union quite equal to that of all other sections of the Republic."

Louisville Courier-Journal: From carrying elections by money to suspending them entirely is not a difficult transition. The Republican party is ceasing to believe in Republican institutions. Why consult the people, so long as the dominant party is controlled by those who say "The people be d—t?"

Montgomery Advertiser: The Democrats might give the Republican call all the rope it wants during the next two years, with the hope that it would hang itself. As some Democrats suggest, but if it refused to hang the joke would be on our party. The better plan is to rope it out of the ring at the first opportunity.

Atlanta News: When all has been said about the ex-President, the fact that he, and he alone, has twice led the Democratic party to victory remains, and remaining it behooves all wise men to at least listen to what he has to say.

Charlotte (N. C.) Observer: It is doubtful if in all the State as many as 5,000 negroes are registered for the election next week. So for the present at least there is no danger of "majority domination," nor is the cause of "white supremacy" in any immediate peril.

An Hour With Virginia Editors

The Norfolk Ledger says: "The price of Virginia coal has been arbitrarily advanced to every consumer in the State, and whether it is the responsibility for the increase, or whether the advance is caused by a combination of different interests, is immaterial to those who are compelled to assist in the enrichment of a few persons, and who are interested in it at present is to undo their work of ten or twelve years ago, so far as they can, by taking a stand for the abolition of the duty on bituminous as well as anthracite coal."

In a long article urging the Legislature to make a liberal appropriation for a State exhibit at St. Louis, the Roanoke World says:

"The question involves a plain, practical, business proposition. The expenditure of the dollars and cents proposed to be appropriated is not for sentiment, but distinctly for a valuable consideration. The State is interested in it at present is to undo their work of ten or twelve years ago, so far as they can, by taking a stand for the abolition of the duty on bituminous as well as anthracite coal."

Noting the difference of the Virginia and North Carolina negroes who could register as voters, the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot says: "Beyond doubt if the negro were let alone he would accept disfranchisement, in the main, with stolid indifference. His interest in public affairs has always been factitious and never intelligent. It is a pity that the agitators do not allow him to take disfranchisement with the happy indifference natural to him."

The Petersburg Index-Appal says: "Virginia, like other Southern States, is assuredly Democratic. Her speakers significantly ignore the platform of Chicago and of Kansas City, and Senators Danforth and Morgan and loudly proclaiming tariff reform as the paramount issue in American politics, and as the surest means of restoring the Democratic party to power and influence in the councils of the nation. In the language of Emerson, 'The skies are bright and brightening.'"

Commenting on the Sunday closing movement, the Charlottesville Progress says: "The same wave has reached Charlottesville, and yesterday was characterized by unusual quiet. The familiar cry of 'the boys' cry of 'Sunday papers' was not heard, and the smoker who had forgotten to provide for the day was given to understand that he must rely upon the generosity of his more thoughtful friends."

Remarks About Richmond.

Newport News Press: The meanest man lives in Richmond. He entered the East End Baptist Church last Thursday night and stole the Bible used by the pastor. The hooding officials, the negligent police, the gamblers, the Sunday liquor sellers and the accused horse judges will please fall in behind.

Potomac Progress: Richmond's Horse Show has proven to be second only to New York's great event. Dr. J. B. Hawthorne is looting up from Richmond all the good news about the lines of Dr. Parkhurst, of New York. Keep your eye on the capital city. Its metropolitan features are daily increasing.

Norfolk County Democrat: It seems that excitement has become one of the essentials of Richmond's existence. As soon as the Horse Show was over, a municipal reform movement was started. The will probably hold her until the Legislature meets again.

Virginia Gazette (Williamsburg): Reform has struck Richmond all over. The newspapers, the drugstores, soda fountains, fruit stands—all are under the ban. What next—the street cars, electric light and gas, and the telephone? There is plants, etc. Poor Richmond! There is individual being "set" down like an individual. By that we mean that the very thing the reformers are trying to bring about will be nullified by their little follies. One reformer has killed more

than one community by just such things as are being done in Richmond.

Norfolk Landmark: It may be that Richmond's Council can stand a few waves of indignation better than it could stand an investigation. "Plato, thou reasonest well."

Newport News Times-Herald: Now a Richmond sewing machine agent has been chased by a snake. We feared that the sudden cutting off of Sunday enjoyments would go hard with some folks.

Portsmouth Star: Richmond has started at the wrong end in her councilmanic and police investigations. The thing she needs is for her best citizens to take a more active interest in her affairs at election time. She might then not be in the position of envying Portsmouth and other honestly administered municipalities. Richmond should at first reform her good citizens—general and lasting good will then follow.

At the Theatres.

"The Messenger Boy," the English musical comedy success from the Gaiety Theatre, London, which duplicated its success at Daly's Theatre, in New York, will be the attraction at the Academy to-night. The cast, which is a remarkably strong one, is headed by the very comedian Frank Dushon, who has a reputation second to none. There is an ensemble of eighty people.

Augustus Thomas' greatest drama, "Arizona," plays at the Academy on Friday and Saturday. As the names indicate, the scenes and people of the new play are taken from that most picturesque southwestern territory of which most Americans have gained their impressions through the drawings of Frederick Remington. Mr. Remington, by the way, made the sketches for the four superb scenes in the stage production of "Arizona," and personally supervised the details and costuming. There will be a special matinee on Saturday.

The Boy's Symphony Orchestra, of New York, gave two concerts at the Academy yesterday. At the concert of the afternoon the orchestra was larger than the audience. It was too bad that there was not a larger attendance. The juds play remarkably well—some of them are even artists. There are some forty boys in the organization, most of them being probably under sixteen years of age, and wearing knee pants. But they are musicians, every one of them, and the audience soon realized this fact. The programme is not composed of the light, catchy music of the day, but embraces the composition of the masters. Perhaps it was a trifle too heavy for the audiences, for more enthusiasm was awakened when some of the lighter compositions were rendered than when the classics were played.

Master Nicholas Garagust rendered a violin solo at the evening concert, which was really a most artistic effort. Master Nicholas is nothing but an awkward, lanky boy. He is awkward in his every joint, and when he stepped before the footlights he showed all of the boy in him. But when he placed the violin under his chin and drew the bow across the strings, the audience forgot that he was a boy, forgot his awkwardness, and forgot everything save that they were listening to soul inspiring strains of music played by an artist's hand. There was music in his violin, and the boy had the most effective bow strokes the Fijou stars has ever known.

As for Mr. Monroe, his humor is all his own. In his new monologue this year he is offering some new material, which provides superbly for those who like to see a fellow who has been in the Fijou to the doors. There will be a matinee this afternoon, with the regular performances during the rest of the week.

Next week brings the Bijou Musical Comedy Company, with all the old favorites in the cast, back to the Bijou. The offering for next week will be "A Stranger in a Strange Land," which, by the way, is by the authors of the "Life of Mrs. Dooley," and it has been Max Hoffman's. This means that it is full of new music and new chorus effects. The company is now in Norfolk, where it has made a big hit.

THEIR SILVER WEDDING

President and Mrs. Blackwell Celebrate 25th Anniversary of Their Marriage. (Special Dispatch to The Times)

ASHLAND, VA., October 29.—President and Mrs. Blackwell received their friends this afternoon and evening from 5 to 11 o'clock, the occasion being the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage. The rooms were brilliantly decorated and the tables were set with champagne and the flowers were the brightest and the lights made a pretty picture.

The society of Ashland was well represented and many friends of the couple came from Richmond and Martinsburg. Some presents were received by Dr. and Mrs. Blackwell in honor of their silver wedding.

Mrs. Blackwell wore her wedding gown, which was a beautiful creation of white silk and lace.

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For the Housewife

All communications addressed to this department must be written in ink and accompanied by name and address. Correspondents will please write the names of their places or residence in full. Letters go astray daily because the address is given merely as "City." There are forty-five of these United States and many cities in each State.

No. 1. In the News of September 14th I read that M. B. would like to know if bowling for women would be proper and be considered the ideal of womanhood in the mind of men who see them. Now, I would like M. B. to know, whether a gentleman or a lady, that there is quite a difference in bowling. The pleasure surpasses the fun of tennis or golf by far, and a lady, when she belongs to a ladies' bowling club, is always decent; she never bowls in a public alley. I am a member of a bowling club which has been in existence fifteen years; has never bowled a scratch game or ever made a public show of themselves in any downtown alley. There are twenty-two members, all perfect ladies, but M. B. is perhaps referring to that kind of women who wear the skirts bowled down town only, and who cannot enjoy private bowling, because they want to be seen. They disgrace themselves and all other lady bowlers.

No. 2. You refer "Noselet" to the "noble army of photographers." I am one of the rear rank, but think I can straighten the correspondent's methods and point out his error. The ingredients of a compound bath cause what is called "sulphurization," i. e., sulphur being set free by a mixture of hyro with other salts forming the bath. Now, sulphur is one of the least light resisting compounds, and a photograph so treated soon fades. Some dealers have a preparation made by a much advertised concern which attempts to allure by stating that each bath contains "its full quota of gold." Gold is useless in such a mixture of hyro, lead, etc. "Noselet" to use the same words, both given with each package of paper, but to avoid a certain glossy paper made in Rochester; it is worthless. "Noselet" should experiment with several different brands of papers until he gets one he can handle, and stick to it.

No. 3. In answer to the query of "M. S." I send you the words of the "Rose of Castile" as I found them, page 64, in "Hyacinth's Mammoth Hibernian Songster," a book published by J. H. Hyland, Chicago, in which can be found any popular Irish song.

No. 4. Referring to the communication of "O. E. C." in the News of this date about a poem of love and war, I would say that I think I have the poem desired. It is a love and war, published in 1881, entirely in verse. If "O. E. C." desires more information, I will answer on receipt of return postage.

No. 5. "E. K." asks if Reginald Roberts is married. He married Maude Lillian Barr, also of the Castle Square Opera Company.

No. 6. In reply to "E. K.": First question—Eugene Cowles is author of the song "Forgotten." Second—Gertrude Quilian is not married. Third—Reginald Roberts is not married.

No. 7. In response to "Anxious Reader," thinking your correspondent may not understand the "endless chain stamp affair," and possibly you do not, if you will per-

mit me to tell you what I know about your opinion concerning it—to change extent. Some ten years ago while employed in a business where the incoming mails were very large, a very refined lady customer requested me to return and save for her all the cancelled stamps received in our mails, which were to a stamp dealer in New York City for \$100, and with the proceeds brought an old lady into a home.

I waited to learn all the particulars, and secured the address of the Boston lady and wrote her, and after a long time, received a most polite and explicit reply from Boston, my letter having been forwarded to the lady, who was wintering there. She informed me that she adopted the endless chain method to facilitate matters. That she sent ten letters to as many friends, requesting their help in collecting and asking them to write to one of their friends, and so on. She informed me that she had by this means placed three ladies in homes, and was then nearly ready to place a fourth. She also gave me the address of the stamp dealer in New York City, to whom I wrote and received in reply circulars containing much information about cancelled stamps, and that the price per million was then \$50, instead of \$100, as formerly.

I think you will agree with me that in this case the endless chain, although it is not a business, was at least commendable. Am sorry that I cannot send to you these circulars. After having satisfied my curiosity entirely, I gave them to a nun, who at once started to collect for charitable purposes. H. V. P.