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Emerson, in one of his essays, says: "I am thankful for small mercies. I compared notes with one of my friends who expects everything of the universe, and is disappointed when anything is less than the best, and I found that I begin at the other extreme, expecting nothing, and am all ways full of thanks for moderate goods. If we take the good we find, asking no questions, we shall have heaping measures."

The friend had the wrong temperament and Emerson was the philosopher. Experience teaches that disappointments can be turned to good purpose. There are compensating benefits even in adversity.

CAN VOTE UP TO 7 O'CLOCK

Up to 7 o'clock this evening the citizens of Ogden can record their votes in the primaries.

This is not only a privilege but a duty, and that duty is increased by reason of the fact that this is the first election in which the activities of the machine politician are reduced to a minimum by the corrupt practices act.

Voters of Ogden should go to the polls, if for no other purpose than to give endorsement to the cleaner politics made possible by driving the ward heeler out of public life.

There will be no automobiles, no paid workers, no rounders, and the citizens must make up for the absence of those elements of persuasion by walking to the polls and recording their preferences.

The primaries are as important as the general election, for today's polling means the eliminating of candidates, and, with only a small expression from the voters, organized forces, not representative of the best thought of the city, may prevail and win their way to the final decision in November.

A light vote will be favorable to those who are entrenched.

A LAND OF THRILLING HISTORY

Mesopotamia is that part of the Turkish empire which has been the scene of much fighting between the Turks and the British. It is the scene of many of the greatest events of all history. The Garden of Eden is said to have been in Mesopotamia. Babylon is on the banks of one of the two big streams which drain that region as is also the ruins of Nineveh.

An English traveler, who lived in Bagdad, has written a pamphlet on Mesopotamia, a copy of which he has sent to the Standard and from which these extracts are taken:

"This is essentially a land of origins. The oldest sea route in the world, utilized by the first navigators of the high seas, was the Persian gulf, and



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the numerous mounds at Bahrain remind us of the world's debt to the Phoenicians, who gave us the alphabet and the earliest system of weights and measures, and who originally migrated to Syria from the shores of the Persian gulf and the ports of Mesopotamia. From this land also the Hebrew race took its rise when Abraham came from Ur of the Chaldees and settled in Canaan.

"This is the home of the mighty Nimrod, the earliest of hunters, who founded Calneh or Nippur, where I was privileged to see some of the most ancient Assyrian treasures being excavated by American archaeologists. Ofttimes have I traveled from Busrah on British ships conveying hundreds of Arab ponies to India, when I recalled the fact that horses were introduced into Mesopotamia 4,000 years ago by the Kassites, who, largely on account of their superior mobility, were able to conquer a country whose inhabitants until then had used only asses and cattle for transport."

"Philologists may rejoice while others will weep over the fact that in this plain of Shinar the Confusion of Tongues and the multiplication of dialects took place at a time when cuneiform characters became confounded and the dwellers in Mesopotamia were driven forth to colonize the continents."

"But Babylon was also the mother of astronomy, and to her ancient system of dividing the day we are indebted for the twelve divisions on the dial of our clocks."

"The influence of Hammurabi's famous laws has penetrated down the ages into the legal codes of modern times through the intricate systems of Greek and Roman legislators."

"The most curious ruin in Mesopotamia is the unsightly mound of Akker Kuf, near Bagdad, connected, we are told, with the remote period of King Kurigalzu, who reigned in Babylon about the time when Moses was leading the Israelites from Egypt to Canaan. Those ancient monarchs of Babylonia, Assyria, Parthia, Media, and Persia were great and powerful in their day, exercising a paramount influence for many centuries over the major part of the world's politics, so that no other portion of the earth's surface has more constantly affected the history of mankind, or harbored for so long the forces that moved the world, than this land of Mesopotamia."

"The extensive ruins of Assur, north of Tikrit; the mounds of Nineveh, on the bank of the Tigris opposite to the modern city of Mosul; the ruins of Babylon, on the Euphrates; and the arch at Ctesiphon, all testify to the old-world glories of this wonderful land."

"For nearly twenty years excavators have been busily attempting to uncover the brick-built palaces and temples of Nebuchadnezzar; but more than twenty years will be required to clear away the debris from the buried marble monuments of Nineveh. "Nebuchadnezzar only revived the more ancient glories of Babylon when he made it the greatest city in the world. He was a remarkable builder of magnificent temples and palaces; but he also extended his military conquests over Syria, Palestine, and Egypt. When Cyrus shattered the Neo-Babylonian monarchy he found an enormous reservoir to the north of the capital, into which he drained the great river and entered the city through the dry bed of the Euphrates."

"Seleucia has completely disappeared, and the great arch at Ctesiphon is all that remains of the wonderful palace of Chosroes II, who was the last and the most remarkable monarch of the Persian Sassanian dynasty. Mesopotamia was still a glorious country when Khalid conquered it for the Arabs and Islam, for ten millions of people then flourished in these well-irrigated plains, and nine-tenths of its fertile soil was brought under cultivation by the Chosroes, while Bag-

dad, under the Arabs, subsequently became the wealthiest and most civilized city in the world, with nearly two million inhabitants in its palmy days."

SAVE THE POTATO SUPPLY

From the headquarters of the U. S. food administration in Utah has been received a message of advice as to the storing of potatoes this winter and a warning is issued that, under the most favorable conditions, the wastage is considerable.

In order that the best methods may be adopted by the small growers, says the bulletin, those who have not had the experience in the storage of potatoes, should know the chief causes of the wastage. These causes are:

- (1) Sweating, heating and consequent rot; often due to insufficient ventilation.
- (2) Rotting; due to potatoes getting wet at the time of putting them in storage.
- (3) Injury from frost.
- (4) Decay; owing to disease in the tubers at the time of storage.
- (5) Sprouting of tubers in the spring.

It is not possible to prevent altogether losses from these causes, but by using the best methods of storage, it is possible to reduce them very materially.

This may be done by taking care to guard against losses from each of these causes:

- (1) Sweating and heating occur if the freshly dug potatoes are piled in too large piles, so that the air cannot circulate between the tubers. The risk of loss from this cause is greatest in the fall, immediately after the tubers have been dug, and it is, therefore, important that potatoes when dug should not be put in unnecessarily large piles, nor kept in an ill-ventilated room.
- (2) Rotting from getting the potatoes wet. If the potatoes at the digging time are allowed to get wet and to go into storage in that condition, rotting is sure to occur. Be careful to have your potatoes dry before storing.
- (3) Injury from frost. Potatoes are easily damaged by frost. If they become frozen, their market value is destroyed. Therefore, take every precaution to protect the tubers from frost before and after digging.
- (4) Disease. There are several diseases of the potato which destroy the tuber, and if diseased tubers are mixed with the sound ones, the disease spreads rapidly; therefore, it is necessary to sort the potatoes carefully, eliminating all of the disease, the cuts, culls, and dirt before placing them into permanent storage for the winter. All of the cuts, culls, misshapen and diseased tubers should be fed to the poultry and livestock, but should be steamed or boiled before being fed, as in this way you increase the food value, and also destroy the germs of the disease, so that it will not get into the manure and thence into the land.
- (5) By proper ventilation of the cellar or storage room, and by holding the temperature as near 35 degrees F. as possible, you can keep the potatoes from sprouting.

Selection of seed. Seed for next year's planting should be selected from hills that produce all nice, true to type potatoes. These should be selected at the digging time, and stored separately in crates or boxes, and by storing them in a well-lighted room where the temperature can be held at from 34 to 40 degrees, with a little ventilation and this seed planted next spring, the grower will make a start toward improving the quality of his potatoes, instead of as in the past, simply planting the culls or runouts.

HAIG'S CAMPAIGN NEAR YPRES

One of the veterans of the Civil war is keeping the readers of the National Tribune informed on the war in Europe by drawing comparisons with the campaigns of Grant and Lee. In the last issue of the paper General Haig's attacks at Ypres are shown to be similar to General Grant's tactics at Petersburg. The writer says:

"General Grant could have taken Petersburg and Richmond many times before he did, but Grant, with colossal common sense, which rose higher than even genius, did not want either Petersburg or Richmond. He did want Lee's army. Grant's greatest fear was that Lee would abandon Richmond and Petersburg and retreat into the country, where it would be difficult to follow him, especially during the winter months. Grant was comfortably situated with his supplies directly in his rear, while Lee had to bring up his by wretched roads from Virginia and North Carolina. At City Point ocean-going vessels could discharge their cargoes. There could be no interruption of Grant's 'cracker line.' It did not need to be guarded. The Confederate cavalry could not reach him. If, however, Grant advanced from City Point, every mile would be an increased difficulty and would require heavy guarding."

"It has been believed that Haig could take Lens and Lille almost any time that he wanted to, but, like Grant, he preferred that Hindenburg should keep his present line and waste his troops in endeavoring to defend it. It was good policy to have Hindenburg mass his troops and move them up against the British artillery in position rather than to have the British follow up Hindenburg and encounter the German artillery. It must be kept in mind all the time that ever since Von Hindenburg lost the offensive he has been in an exceedingly dangerous position, and he was on the wrong side of the deep gorge of the Meuse and it would be impossible when he was signally defeated to extricate his army



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Cream Cottolene, add sugar gradually, then egg well-beaten. Sift together flour, baking powder and salt, add to first mixture alternately with milk. Add extract and beat thoroughly. Bake in shallow pan. Cut in squares, pile with sliced peaches and sugar, and serve with hot sauce or cream.

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with his enormous guns, supplies and colossal storehouses, and retreat over the few crossings of the Meuse canyon. Therefore the general supposition that Haig would follow Grant's example by keeping Hindenburg's army in front of him and daily weakening it by attrition until the spring, when the allies would be strengthened by the accession of the American army. Then it was expected that there would be a crushing advance and the whole German military strength overwhelmed somewhere on the plains of Belgium.

The program outlined above was shaken by the tremendous success of the British last week. During the previous week the British had scored a great success in capturing and holding the immensely important Passchendaele ridge. This gave the British a position from which they could overlook the entire Belgian plain as far as the seacoast. Before the Passchendaele ridge is an unbroken level with nothing to obstruct the view. A portion of the Passchendaele ridge remained in German hands but this was regarded as comparatively unimportant. General Haig, however, decided to round out his victory and complete the capture of the ridge."

We do not agree with the military writer of the National Tribune that Haig could have captured Lens, as that city is the center of the coal mining region and its possession would be of great value to the French who have had a severe coal shortage. If Haig could have driven home his blows directed at the coal district, he would have done so. He also would have relieved Lille from the German grasp. There is a wide field in which to engage Von Hindenburg's troops, even after the Ypres district has been completely recovered.

What Haig is attempting is evident. He aims to gain all the high ground before the heavy storms of winter and, by driving the Germans onto the plains of Flanders, make the winter a period of extreme distress for the enemy. He holds a great advantage which will serve to good purpose when the American troops, with their flying forces, actively enter the conflict next spring.

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DEATH BLOW TO ZEPPELIN AIRCRAFT

ZURICH, Switzerland, Monday, Oct. 22.—The Swiss newspapers express the opinion that the destruction of four Zeppelins in France is a death blow to aircraft of this type. The newest Zeppelin, according to dispatches, are 760 feet long and 78 feet in diameter. They have eight engines developing 2000 horsepower and are able to keep in the air fifty hours with a crew of twenty men and a load of projectiles.

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Sunripe Pancake Flour	19c	9 Bars A. B. Naptha Soap	50c
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Pork and Beans, per can	9c	3 Bars Creme Oil Toilet Soap	25c
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