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GREATNESS
The world looks up at him with envious awe,
Who rules where millions yield obedience;
Whose word is final and whose will is law,
Who in his purple apes Omnipotence.
The world looks up at him with flattering eyes,
And lauds him for the vastness of his state;
And for his heaps of treasure calls him wise.
And for his army's triumphs calls him great.
But wiser than the one who rules is he
Who gives to them that hew and sow and glean
The knowledge that the souls of men are free.
That pomp is vain, that bigotry is mean.
And greater than the leaders whose commands
Bring triumphs to their arms are they who teach
That dignity may be in calloused hands,
That what is right for all is just for each.

—S. E. Kiser,
in Tom Watson's Magazine.

Account of the extensive machinery installations, grinding operations began quite late, and only a fractional part of the crop was saved when the plant was destroyed. This may spell disaster to the farmers who were selling cane to Keystone, for with probable bad weather ahead the change in deliveries to the several centrals ready to take the cane may prove most difficult of consummation.

Destruction of Keystone Central.

Last Saturday night December the 16th, the sugar house of Keystone plantation, in St. Martin parish, one of the oldest established sugar properties in the upper part of Bayou Teche, was completely destroyed by fire, which is reported to have originated at the bagasse burner shed.

The destruction of the Keystone factory is a complete loss to the sugar interests of that section for by reason of its capacity having been greatly increased during the year, it was transformed into an up-to-date central, and tributary thereto the surrounding farmers were preparing to go extensively into cane cultivation next season. In fact, Keystone was practically built anew this year, and the chief contract for the work, let to a local machinery firm, alone amounted to \$138,000. Since it is said to be true that no insurance was carried to cover the loss of approximately \$150,000, the rebuilding of Keystone seems very improbable.

THE LONELINESS OF THE CITY.

There are perhaps a hundred people in our apartment house, a thousand, or it may be two or three thousand, in our block. They live in small, comfortably furnished and very convenient apartments, but they live alone. No one ever sees any exchange of courtesies between them. They are not interested in the progress of the lives of the people about them. You might live there a year, or ten years, and I doubt if your next-door neighbor would even so much as know of your existence. He is too busy. Your business might fail, your children perish. You might suffer every calamity from heart ache to literal physical destruction, and I doubt whether he would ever hear of it. Marriage, birth, death, any and all of the other homely and really essential happenings of life are all trivial under the new dispensation.

Neither you nor your wife nor children nor your children's children have any interest for him. It is all as if you really did not exist.

The pathos of all this is that these people never quite realize, until some of the real calamities of life overtake them, what they have been ignoring and casting aside. Until they are old, until they are stricken with illness, until they stand bereft of fortune, or until they are visited by death—then, and then only, do they become aware of the importance of the individual relationship. It matters not in such an hour what the prime importance of the world may be. It will not avail them to know that the world still goes on and that the principal thoroughfares of the great cities are alive with a spectacle forever fascinating and forever new. Life in the abstract cannot aid them then. They are alone, left longing for a personal relationship, with an aching and, too often, a breaking heart. Friendship, affection, tenderness, how they loom large in the hour of despair!—Theodore Dreiser in Tom Watson's Magazine.

The following written by Jennings Rice interests and printed in the Jennings Times-Record sizes up the tariff situation in its relation to rice:

Several of our exchanges mentioned the fact that the Texas rice interests are in favor of free trade or the removal of the present duty on foreign rice. We have often wondered how many kinds of assinninity the Texas crowd could be guilty of and this is one more. If there is any one industry in this United States that positively cannot exist without protection it is the growing of rice. Our manufactures are largely able to compete with the world because of our cheap fuel, intelligent labor and modern machinery. Our other great cereals are dependent on foreign markets for the sale of a large surplus, so too our cattle and sheep industries but when you consider the Asiatic rice countries grow more tons than we do barrels and they could supply our market and never know that they had sold any rice, the amount would hardly lessen their supply enough to be perceptible, you can see where the profit in rice growing here would evaporate. The duty is our sole and only support and we cannot sell on the open market and live. We had our experience last year with more rice than the country could consume and while Louisiana did not suffer from the effects as severely as Texas we got all we wanted of an export market. In order to sell at all our rice were worked off at the munificent price of \$1.00 to \$1.25 per barrel and many a mill did not clear that for its patrons. We know of one big Texas canal company whose crop netted 85c per sack. If Texas wants free trade in rice we would suggest as did Jon Sherman that we permit a secession from the Union and let her go back to Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott

The following happy letter and enclosure has just been received and will bring much pleasure to the host of Abbeville friends of the above lady and gentleman who as favorites here in their home town have now become widely distinguished in their profession, and space is gladly asked in the Republican Idea.

Mrs. Joel Moody.

Lewiston, Me. Dec. 12.
Col. Joel Moody,
Abbeville, La.

Dear Sir:—
Would like to have you copy the enclosed clipping in your paper. My wife, who was Miss Jessie Lyons, and myself are with one of the largest stock companies of the East, playing only the largest cities in the New England States. I am the leading man, and Mrs. Scott is the comedy character woman, and is advancing very fast, and today, with only two years' experience ranks among the best. We wish to send all our friends in Abbeville, through your paper a Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year. Kindly send me a copy of the paper to Dover, N. H. care Adam Good Co.
Very sincerely,
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Scott.

THE ENCLOSURE.

Last evening at the rooms of Mr. and Mrs. George Scott, members of the Adam Good Company, Main Hotel, in Auburn, occurred one of the pleasantest episodes in the life of theatre folks on the road, when a Christmas tree and reception was given in honor of the little two year-old son of the above mentioned couple. The rooms were tastefully and appropriately decorated and the tree loaded down with presents and good things of the season. The Adam Good Company were out in full force and a number of Lewiston and Auburn people were invited guests, and a royal good time they had. Mr. Frank DeLyndon of the Adam Good Company acted as toastmaster and in well chosen remarks thanked those present, and the host and hostess for the honor tributed him. He paid a pleasing tribute to the little recipient, and the company, and concluded by offering a toast to the little Scott, which was heartily responded to by all present.

Mr. Danny Simons, the genial comedian, filled the role of Santa Claus in a most liberal manner. The presents were numerous and it is almost needless to add that no one had cause for complaint. Master Edwin came in for a most generous share and was the interesting center of attraction, his happy countenance and sparkling eyes told only too truthfully, the happiness that was his. Songs were sung, stories told, while music and good cheer ruled the hour. At the conclusion a beautiful spread completed a most enjoyable evening. And in the "twelve sma hours," when the last song was sung, and the last good night spoken, the happy gathering wended their way homeward, happy in the consciousness of a good action and that the reward was theirs.

Among those present were: Monte Thompson, John Adams, Frank Twitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Alace, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Curtis, Jack Flaherty, Mrs. George Hanson, Danny Simons, Will White, Frank L. De Lyndon, William H. Malone, Fred Rose, William Pollock, Professor Frank Blakely, Harry Rowe, Miss Rennie Overton, Miss Pauline Geary, Miss Elizabeth Manager James O'Bryan of the Empire, Madamo Bohee and Miss Mae Hyers.

J. B. Aswell, superintendent of education, emphatically denies the published report that he is a candidate for governor, and also the story that he is promised the support of Gov. Blanchard. The political list is out early.

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