

MAY'S DEVOTION.

(TWO-STEP.)

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"TWIN BEDS".

So far as any play received such a unanimous commendation from the leading metropolitan newspapers as that accorded to "Twin Beds" by the New York Tribune and the New York Evening Post, it is a record. The play, which is being presented at the New York Theatre, is a comedy in two acts, written by the author, and is a most successful and amusing play. It is a story of a young man who, in order to get a girl, goes to the length of impersonating a rich man. The play is a most successful and amusing play. It is a story of a young man who, in order to get a girl, goes to the length of impersonating a rich man. The play is a most successful and amusing play. It is a story of a young man who, in order to get a girl, goes to the length of impersonating a rich man.

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SOUTHERN INVENTORS.

The following patents were just issued to Southern inventors reported by D. SWIFT & CO., Patent Lawyers, Washington, D. C., who will furnish copies of any patent for ten cents applied to our readers.

Mississippi, T. J. Burnham, Jackson, Carburetor; Z. T. Russell, Hattiesburg, Rotary Engine.

Louisiana, Edward Burr, Covington, Water cycle appliance.

PAID UP STOCK

bearing 5 per cent interest is now being issued by the IBERIA BUILDING ASSN.

Portland, Oregon.—Never before used the final "e" in her spelling of the word "corpse," Mrs. Marceline Germain of Lonsdale, Michigan, was prostrated with grief upon receipt of an official communication announcing the fact that her brother, Joseph E. Jollicouer, had joined the U. S. Marine Corps and had named her as next of kin to be notified in case of death.

"If my brother is a corpse, what did he die?" she wrote to Capt. H. T. Smain in charge of the local recruiting station of the United States Marine Corps, who had enlisted the man and was responsible for the notification.

The recruiting officer, by return mail, bade the sorrowing sister cease mourning, and assured her that the "corpse" to which her brother had lately attached himself was the "livest" kind of an organization.

Henry Ford with a party of 175 peace delegates sailed from New York for Christmas on board the steamship *Queen*. The objective point of the delegates is The Hague, where Mr. J. Bryan will join them. They expect to be gone about 6 weeks. Mr. Ford stated that the preliminary expenses, up to the date of sailing, was approximately \$60,000, and that by the end of the trip it would amount to possibly several hundred thousand dollars. How can Europe afford to keep the war going, when Americans threaten to flood the oceans.

Italy is preparing to join the war in the Balkans, we are told, and if those Austrian submarines don't take care, she'll be made enough to declare war against that country also.

The Standard Oil Co., on Saturday, took over the properties of Atlas Oil Co., at its report. The consideration was \$280,000.

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The Gulf States Farmer, a non-political paper, devoted to the agricultural interests of this State, in its issue of November, 1915, says:—

"FROM OUR VIEWPOINT.

JOHN M. PARKER
FOR GOVERNOR

After considerable deliberation and close scrutiny, the GULF STATES FARMER has determined that for the betterment of the State, its financial, agricultural and educational upbuilding, that of the candidates up to this time presented to the people of the State to succeed Governor Hall, the commonwealth would be best served with its affairs in the hands of the Honorable John M. Parker.

- Mr. Parker has proven himself—
- An exceptionally successful business man.
- A progressive and auspicious agriculturist.
- A man who has the courage of his conviction.
- A man with no axe to grind or political obligation to satisfy.
- An educated, polished gentleman.
- A man who will lend dignity and strength to the office to which he aspires.

While the GULF STATES FARMER, in the generally accepted sense of the term, has no ambition or desire to get into the political game of the State, we believe that with the selection of John M. Parker as governor, the voters of the State would enhance its popularity, insure large capital investment in the State and promote the cause of the commonwealth beyond measure.

Mr. Parker needs no introduction to the citizens of Louisiana. There is probably no man in the State better known, or who holds a position of higher regard in the estimation of his fellow citizens than does that gentleman. Enjoying as he does a national wide reputation, prominently identified with every propaganda that has been advanced in its commercial enhancement, the first president, and for three years occupying that position, of the Southern Commercial Congress, who have done so much, and are still diligently at work in the establishment of the rural credit system, with a close acquaintance with the representative men of the country, he, as governor of the State, would not humiliate or decrease the State's dignity by being compelled to beg for national recognition, but could and would command the recognition to which the State is so justly entitled, but has for so long been denied.

We believe that there is a sufficient number of thinking voters in this State who will, at the psychological period, set aside their political teachings, and cast their vote for the man who they must appreciate will be of such great value to the welfare of the State.

While it is our good fortune to enjoy the close personal friendship of the two candidates who are appealing to the democratic voters of the State for nomination, both of them high class gentlemen, yet we cannot help but feel that an entirely new condition of affairs should come about, particularly with the opportunity now made possible by selecting a business man who is obligated to no one; a man who is willing to sacrifice a business that in dollars and cents is worth probably more to him per month than is the governor's annual salary. A man endowed with the many sterling qualities of Mr. Parker, who is willing to respond to the call of his fellow citizens; willing to make the great personal sacrifice that he is making, certainly should appeal to every man who has the welfare of the State at heart, and he is the psychological man, in the honest opinion of the writer, to best serve the State and the people of the State.

No one knows better perhaps than does the writer with what reluctance Mr. Parker finally consented to make the sacrifice. Hundreds of his friends who love Louisiana, realized how necessary it was for a man of the order of Mr. Parker to take up the turbulent condition of affairs of State as they exist today, to save the honor, dignity and credit of the commonwealth.

After weeks of persuasion, that for a time looked hopeless, Mr. Parker surrendered to the appeal of his friends and allowed them to present his name as a candidate for Governor of the State.

We recognize that we are against strenuous opposition of professional politicians who have been at the "pie counter" so long, that few of them can recall any other vocation. We realize, too, the opposition that will be brought to bear from the subsidized and rock-rooted Democratic Press of the State, but we are equally as well satisfied that there are a sufficient number of "freemen" in the State who realize that the Civil War occurred fifty years ago; that their interest is for Louisiana of today, of the future, and not of the past.

We are thoroughly convinced that the reading, thinking, brainy voters of the State, exercising their franchise as American Citizens at the election next March, will elect John M. Parker Governor of Louisiana.

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