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THE INVASION OF CANADA.

The statement of the German ambassador that his country had no intention of invading Canada has brought about a lot of discussion as to what we would do about it if Germany should actually undertake such an invasion.

From other expressions, however, it appears that no matter what the Monroe doctrine provides or does not provide, the United States would view with grave concern the invasion of Canada by the armed troops of another country.

It is probable that opposition to spending more millions on armament, in the face of an estimated revenue decrease of \$30,000,000, was not the only motive of the recalcitrant majority.

Fortunately, the whole question is academic. The prospect of a German invasion of Canada is so remote that it need not trouble us. Before it could be accomplished the whole British navy would have to be sent to the bottom or so crippled that it would be negligible.

NO EXCITEMENT NECESSARY.

It appears that all the excitement over the alleged threat of a United States cruiser to bombard Tripoli was unnecessary, for the threat was made, not by an American but a Russian commander.

However, there is every reason for satisfaction that it was not our ship which was involved in the dispute.

DRINK THE NEARLY HABIT FARGO N D. Advertisement for a beverage with a circular logo.

THE PORK-BARREL ROLLERS.

Collier's Weekly: How many of the people who support the so-called National Rivers and Harbors congress are aware that it is the chief influence which comes out avowedly and frankly in favor of "pork"?

We regard the policy of annual river and harbor bills as most essential to the economical prosecution and preservation of river and harbor improvements.

Senator Weeks of Massachusetts made an earnest plea for a continuation with jurisdiction over all government work on waterways, and authority to make up the annual budget.

JAPAN SETS AN EXAMPLE.

Chicago Herald: The Japanese parliament has been dissolved and new elections ordered because its members refused by a majority vote of 65 to sanction the ministry's plans for a large increase in the army.

The conflict is interesting in more aspects than one. Generally, it shows a growth in Japan of independent political thought, and that Japanese patriotism is no longer synonymous as it once was with the known wishes of the "divine emperor."

Particularly, it shows a capacity for clear thinking from ascertained facts that puts to shame a number of Americans conspicuous in public life.

AMERICA'S PROTEST.

The United States government has protested to the government of Great Britain against the detention of American vessels in connection with the British effort to prevent the shipment of contraband.

There is nothing in the filing of the protest, or in any of the circumstances attendant on it to give cause for the slightest fear that the incident will lead to strained relations between the countries.

The acts complained of are such as are likely to occur during the progress of any war, and are not evidences of unfriendliness on the part of the offending nation.

THE FILIPINO INSURRECTION.

The recent Filipino insurrection is interpreted by some writers as an indication of the failure of the administration of Governor Harrison.

who occasionally make their presence felt is not necessarily proof of poor administration. It is generally believed, however, that a mistake was made in retiring from the management of the Philippine government a man who was thoroughly qualified by experience and general equipment.

Whatever may be the fact with reference to the present administration of the affairs of the island, the outbreak among the natives may possibly cause some of those who have been insistent on immediate or early Filipino independence to do some thinking.

The fact is that the Filipinos need, and will need for a long time, the restraining influence of a strong hand. If it is not the hand of the United States, it will be that of some other nation.

LAUGH WITH US

It was a wet, miserable night and the rain was cringing. Suddenly a coin was heard to drop. An old man stooped and picked it up.

"Has any one lost a sovereign?" he inquired, anxiously. "Nine pence," hurriedly searched their pockets and shouted: "I have."

Shopkeeper (to old woman)—You must know, ma'am, that candles have gone up four pence a pound.

Old Woman—Well, well, and would you tell me what's the reason? Shopkeeper—On account of the war, ma'am, of course.

Old Woman—Bad scan to them—to think the villains are fighting with candle light.

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There must be," continued his mother, "else why did the little boy burst?"

James passed his plate for the fourth time, saying: "Not enough boy!"

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Druggist Boy—Yes, ma'am. What can I do for you? Old Lady—I want a stamp.

Druggist Boy—Yes, ma'am. Will you have it licked or unlicked?

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There could be no dispute in the matter. The jockey was just over weight—only the merest fraction, but enough to ruin his race.

The disappointed owner glared from the little rider to the scales, then to the rider again.

"William," he said, "can't you do something to lighten yourself a bit?" "No, sir; ain't ad a bit of any sort these two days."

"Hum! Shaved?" "Yes, sir, five minutes ago." "Finger nails?"

The jockey held out his hands. The nails were clipped almost to the quick.

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IN OUR SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY. (By Paul West.) (Illustrated by Moser.)

Dear school today, but pleasant & unexpected news, it being they went by an accident tomorrow.

Hen Van Ness says the reason he smells so kind of noticeable these days is because he is starting a zoo in there barn, & all he has got so far is a skunk & two muskrat rats, & he hasn't got them quite trained for exhibition purposes.

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FATTY IS BEING USED.

George McLoughlin's little brother came down from the kindergarten room this morning & told Miss Palmer there teacher wanted to borrow Fatty Bellows a little while for object drawing.

Fatty was very proud to be stood up & looked at by the kindergartners that way, but disappointed when he didn't get anything for it.

Dear Sweet Thing—Aren't you feeling well? Steady—No. I ate German noodle soup and French fried potatoes for supper and they won't arbitrate.

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