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There is no question who put the re in Ireland.

Let the probe sink deep in the baseball "rotteness." Nothing but a leaping out of the sore will save professional baseball.

Harding is preparing to move his front porch about the country. They don't come to Marion with such frequency as desired, it seems.

The support of the Vermont Prohibition party given to Hartness will not add materially to his vote column but it furnishes cumulative proof that Hartness is of the dry stamp. Otherwise, the Prohibitionists would have put up a forlorn hope, for they are consistent.

Things are getting mixed—in Maine the women do not have to give their age in order to register and in Maryland they are required to answer the question if they wish to get on the voting list. An interpretation by Congress is needed to put this thing straight when women are so shy as to refuse to divulge their ages. It's a small matter but in the interest of uniformity Congress ought to make an interpretation.

One of the candidates defeated for nomination for representative in the town of Milton last week thanks his friends through the newspaper and announces that he will be a candidate two years from now because he "could to the town of Milton more good than anyone else you could send." That is an unusual candor, to say the least. Many men think they can do a thing better than anybody else but they are not so outspoken in making known their belief.

Vanishes the distinction of the person who can say he has climbed Mount Mansfield by automobile. In its place comes the distinction of having climbed Vermont's highest peak by airplane, albeit a landing is deferred until such time as a few of the rocks are leveled off for a smooth runway. The airplane will do away with the tedium of the climb by shank's mare or wheel-on-ground motor propulsion but it never will do away with the pleasures of close communion with nature in her own habitat.

There is unmistakable evidence that the scale of prices is tipping downward, albeit the movement has not become anywhere near general as yet. There is the history of the country following the Civil war is being repeated; prices were very high during the Civil war and immediately afterwards, but they came down to a point near pre-war quotations after 1870. It has been two years since the World war actually ended, and it is reasonable to expect that the turn of the tide in prices is about due.

The multi-millionaire owner of the Alhambra chain of restaurants, J. A. Whitcomb, has just become financially interested in the corporation having the hotel on the summit of Mount Mansfield. Mr. Whitcomb is a native of Cambridge, which lies just at the foot of Mount Mansfield, and he is a firm believer in the possibilities of developing that region for hotel purposes. A great many Vermont people have the same idea regarding the possibilities, only they haven't the money required to put their idea into execution.

President Wilson proposes to "write statements" in support of the Democratic campaign in the national election. As a party man he is perhaps justified in so doing, but one must admit that such participation by a president of the United States, whether Democrat or Republican, is calculated to heighten the high office. We are aware that it has been the practice of presidents to become party men during the election periods but we feel sure that it would be better for the country if they refrained from participation.

Recent unfortunate experiences in Massachusetts have caused a demand to be raised that state money be deposited only among those institutions which are willing to furnish state or government bonds as security for such deposits. Such action might be open to the objection that it would weaken the security offered to the private depositors in those banks inasmuch as the banks would not be able to furnish adequate security in the shape of bonds to back up their total deposits if securities to the full value of deposits were to be demanded by the state. That would be discrimination in favor of the commonwealth when the private depositors would be

just as much entitled to protection. A better remedy, perhaps, would be to place the power of selection of depositories for state funds in the hands of a commission rather than in the hands of a single person, as has been the case in Massachusetts recently. A commission of three or five men could be relied upon to make a more satisfactory selection than one man who happened to be vitally interested or who was biased in his views. The depositing power should not be vested in one man. Remedying of that evil would tend to do away with improper placement of state funds.

The jingoists in Japan are seemingly in the ascendancy, judging by the belligerent attitude alleged to have been taken by the government with reference to Japanese exclusion legislation in California. The assumption of such an attitude is poor psychology on the part of the Japanese because they ought to know that threats, veiled or open, will have no effect on the United States government or any component part of the United States. The United States reserves to itself the right to determine what people shall be admitted, albeit, there may be some question about the propriety of states taking drastic action along that line.

COAL RATIONING. Although Massachusetts has gone on the coal rationing system among domestic consumers, the National Coal association is authority for the statement that there will be coal enough for all purposes before winter sets in. There is no doubt that the priority elimination has resulted in checking the flow of coal into New England to a great extent, after considerable progress had been made toward meeting the full demand of the section; but assurance is given that the transportation of coal will be resumed in such quantities as to meet the need of six and one-half million more tons of coal to carry New England through the winter. It will be a wise precaution to put in half a supply of coal at the present time providing that such supply is available, and as much more as the dealers are able to furnish. The average Vermont winter is of such rigor as to make it wise to put in at least half a season's supply, although there need be no alarm if the dealers anywhere are not able to do as much as that by their customers.

CURRENT COMMENT

Vermont Forests. The Reformer publishes in this issue a statement on the forest situation in Vermont by the state forester that should receive the attention of all Vermonters. It is reassuring to know that the timber supply of the state is not being over cut, or that the immense amount of 200,000,000 board feet and 1,000,000 cords of timber are grown in the state each year. This growth is made on approximately 2,000,000 acres of land and shows a growth of 100 board feet and one-half cord per acre. The statement that this growth is only 25 per cent as large as it should be shows the opportunity for developing timber growth on the best timber lands of the state. These lands are largely owned by lumbermen and they should develop the timber thereon. To make the timber growth and harvest of the state four times as large as it now is would greatly increase the annual production of wealth in the state. Apparently the lumbermen of the state should in their own interests improve the growth of timber on the good timber lands of the state. The state forester shows the folly of removing sugar maples from land that will not produce merchantable timber and his warning should be heeded. His statement also shows there is about a million acres of nonproductive land in the state that might be profitably planted to timber trees. The forester's statement presents to the people of Vermont the opportunity of developing the wealth and industry of the state in a practical and inexpensive way. It remains to be seen how generally they will accept the opportunity and begin the construction of a bigger and better lumber industry. —Brattleboro Reformer.

SEEK THANKSGIVING DAY. Some People of Brazil Are Favoring the Movement.

Rio de Janeiro, Sept. 24.—The proposal to institute an annual Thanksgiving day in Brazil, as provided for in a measure now before the national senate, has resulted in many lively discussions in that body and continues to be the subject of lengthy editorials in the local press. The measure names Dec. 25 as Thanksgiving day, but an amendment has been presented making the date the first Sunday in January. The bill was originally suggested by a Catholic archbishop. On first reading, it was nominally approved by the senate. Arguing that the constitution expressly prohibited recognition of or special favors to any one creed, the objectors alleged that the measure had come from the Catholic church, that its passing into law would in some degree give recognition to that church, and that the date proposed as a national festival was essentially of a religious significance.

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PATIENT A SUICIDE.

Patrick O'Brien Threw Himself Into the Water at Brattleboro. Brattleboro, Sept. 24.—Seized with a sudden impulse to throw himself into the water, Patrick O'Brien, a patient at the Brattleboro retreat, ran away from his attendant on the retreat farm yesterday and dashed into the overflow from the Connecticut and West rivers on the retreat meadow and lost his life by drowning. O'Brien was a resident of North Walpole, N. H., and came to the retreat about two weeks ago, suffering from melancholia with suicidal tendencies. He had not been at all violent since coming here and had been past the meadow several times with an attendant. Yesterday he enjoyed a smoke and asked to take a walk, so he and an attendant and two other patients went north on Linden street. On reaching the farm O'Brien suddenly made a break for the water, followed by the attendant. The latter could not swim, but he followed the patient as far out in the water as he could. He was unable to overtake O'Brien, who began swimming under water. Numerous people gathered around and tried to locate O'Brien in the weeds and undergrowth. They used a boat, but were unable to find him for some time. When taken out of the water he apparently was dead, but the institution secured a pulmotor from the Twin State Gas & Electric Co. and tried artificial respiration, but without success. O'Brien was 38 years old. He leaves a sister in North Walpole.

UNUSUAL WHITE ROBIN. Inhabitant of Stark Park Neighborhood, Manchester, N. H. A white robin is one of the present unusual attractions of Stark park. One year ago, when robins were flocking preliminary to migrating, a white robin was observed in the park and it is not unlikely that the present visitor is the same bird. White robins are rare. In coloring they vary from pure white with pink eyes, to those partially white, and otherwise presenting the plumage of the common robin. The Stark park albino specimen has a white breast and shows clear white under the wings when it flies. Robins are wintering farther north than they formerly did, many birds are staying all winter along the seashore, where food is always to be had. Most of the local migrants have moved toward the south, but there yet remain many feathered specimens from the far north to pass through on their southward flight. —Manchester Union.

Rural Carrier Examination. The United States civil service commission has announced an examination for the county of Washington, Vt., to be held at Barre, Montpelier and Waterbury on Oct. 23, 1920, to fill the position of rural carrier at Plainfield, Waterbury, Barre and East Montpelier, and vacancies that may later occur on rural routes from other post-offices in the above-mentioned county. The examination will be open only to citizens who are actually domiciled in the territory of a postoffice in the county and who meet the other requirements set forth in form No. 1977. Both men and women, if qualified, may enter this examination, but appointing officers have the legal right to specify the sex desired in requesting certification of eligibles. Women will not be considered for rural carrier appointment unless they are the widows of U. S. soldiers, sailors or marines, or the wives of U. S. soldiers, sailors or marines, who are physically disqualified for examination by reason of injuries received in the line of military duty. Form No. 1977 and application blanks may be obtained from the offices mentioned above or from the United States civil service commission at Washington, D. C. Applications should be forwarded to the commission at Washington at the earliest practicable date.

BOUNTY ON RATS.

France Is Determined to Get Rid of the Rodents. Paris, Sept. 24.—War to a finish has been declared against the rat by the hygiene commission of Paris. The commission was aghast to learn from a report read to it by Prof. Bordas, that there were 8,000,000 rats in the city. The extermination of the rats is to be accomplished by all the weapons known in rat warfare, and the campaign will be both offensive and defensive. The offensive weapons are the following: Use of bacterial products or deadly microbes likely to cause epidemics among the rats, poisons, asphyxiating gases in the sewers for several hours at a time repeated at intervals and traps. In this connection Prof. Bordas warns rat trappers not to smoke before setting traps as the rat holds tobacco in abhorrence. A premium of two sous is to be paid for each rat killed by hunters. The defensive campaign will be conducted by rat proofing houses and by setting the garbage cans on the sidewalks only a few minutes previous to the arrival of the garbage automobiles, so that rats cannot feed on their contents over night. Many pessimistic voices were heard in the hygiene commission as to the chances of success in ridding Paris of the rat nuisance, especially after Prof. Bordas had explained that the Paris rat could boast of a family tree dating back to the early centuries of the Christian era, having emigrated to France from the near east with the early crusaders. "Such aristocrats are bound to put up a stiff fight for their privileges," said a humorous member of the commission.

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