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But in the same magazine G. K. Chesterton answers the question, "What is a barbarian?" "The psychology of the barbarian," he says, "is this: that, like the lower animals, he does not understand reciprocity."

Professor Muensterberg makes this graceful thrust: "Every one knows the mild expression of the face of George V., and the gentle, melancholy features of Czar Nicholas, and the comfortable, philistine expression of President Poincare, and the pretty, youthful look of Albert of Belgium."

Leader or Bandit?
I F WE are ready for a little faith, the situation in Mexico is not so bad as it appears. If we accept Villa's sincerity, he seems to be striving logically for those things that he has always stood for.

It is a good stand that Villa has taken. Why does it receive so little indorsement in the United States? Primarily, because Americans have lacked faith in his sincerity.

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Hail to the Braves!
PHILADELPHIA extends the hand of congratulation to the Boston Braves and promises them a cordial welcome to our city.

Watchful Waiting in the Philippines
SINCE the Spanish war too much partisan rancor has been caused by the Philippine question. Political lines have been too tensely drawn.

Reform the Patent Office
NOW that Congress has torn itself regretfully away from the pork barrel, it might turn its attention to some matter in which there is neither political profit nor an opportunity to sandbag the Government.

State Conscience Wields Power
NOTHING can withstand the relentless power of the collective conscience when men make an interlocking society of their consciences.

Trifling With the Telephone
TELEPHONING isn't what it was. It won't even be what it is very long, if the inventors keep on. One of them has spent 15 years on the misanthropic job of turning out an attachment to detect the third party who cuts in to listen to a little gossip.

Belligerent Footnotes to History
THE writers of each warring nation present a united front against the pens of the enemy, and no quarter is given to persons or peoples who wave a woman's flag.

PASSED BY THE CENSOR

WHEN King George was still a midshipman in her Majesty's navy and his brother, the Prince of Wales, since dead, was known as "Collars and Cuffs," because of his fondness for those appurtenances of everyday attire, the twin were aboard a ship off Southampton.

THIS may be a base libel on an honored profession, but it is told by the man who perpetrated the faux pas. He was a reporter for a Baltimore paper—had been one for about an hour, this being his first experience in newspaper work.

WHO invented the cocktail? Some bartender? A bon vivant? Or was its discovery the result of a drunken frolic? The cocktail was invented by Mrs. Elizabeth Flanagan, widow of an Irish soldier who fell in the service of the American army during the Revolution.

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TAKE THE "GIRL" OUT OF VIRGINIA
From the New Orleans State. By actual count 225 paragraphs up to date have observed that the Prohibitionists have taken the girl out of Virginia.

CURIOSITY SHOP
The word "factotum," denoting a man of all work, dates back several centuries. Ben Jonson in one of his plays, makes Tip ask: "Art thou the Dominie?" to which the host replies: "Factotum, here, sir." Fools, in his "History of the Plot of Our Pretended Saints," 1674, says: "He was so farre the dominus factotum in this junctio that his words were law."

IN OTHER DAYS, apothecaries were called by the name of Rolus, because they administered Rolus. George Colman adopted this name for his apothecary, who wrote labels in verse, one of which was the celebrated: "The well shaken."

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DONE IN PHILADELPHIA

WHEN a small news item announced a few days ago the death of the driver of the first police patrol wagon used in this city I have no doubt that many who read the report were rather astonished to learn that this adjunct to the Police Department had been introduced so long ago as 1884.

IN A SPIRIT OF HUMOR
Means to an End
You talking cornet lessons, and 50 years of age?

NEVER FAILS
Life's grim perversity appals, And makes me frown. The darned paper always falls Slickly side down.

CHANCE FOR A STOUT LADY
Wanted—Woman, clever, to fill vacancy with large corporation.

HAPPY COLLEGE DAYS
"Did you ever do anything wicked at college?" asked the first sweet junoness. "We once pulled up a bed of jimson weeds, dear," replied the freshmanette.

MODERN POETRY
This is a zig zag poem. runs up, then down, (Old Milton didn't know 'em; it makes the printers frown.)

AN UNKIND CUT
Let us once more take a look around the vista of time as the years unfold themselves. It is the year 1923, and the women have been thoroughly emancipated and endowed with complete and inalienable political rights.

A WINNER
There was a man in our town, And he was wondrous smart; There never was an auto that he couldn't start.

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A USEFUL INVENTION
"I reckon," said Farmer Cornstossel, "as how maybe barbed-wire ought to be counted as one of the most useful inventions of the age."

HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION
Two Philadelphians were talking of the fortune of a third denizen of that city when one said: "His first lucky strike was in eggs. He bought 10,000 dozen at a low figure, put them in cold storage, and sold them at a profit of more than 200 per cent."

EXPOSING AN EPICURE
The epicure provokes a smile; He bubbles on and will not stand; He talks champagne and redbirds while The doctor feeds him oatmeal mush.

VIOLATED NEUTRALITY
"Why, Johnny, what's the matter with you?" "We had a free fight, mother."

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VIEW OF READERS

VIEW OF READERS ON TIMELY TOPICS
Contributions That Reflect Public Opinion on Subjects Important to City, State and Nation.

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Sir—In view of the fact that the vote in Virginia makes eleven States that have gone prohibition through the non-partisan influence of women on the votes of men alone, how can the suffragists circulate such ridiculous appeals as they sent out recently?

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