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PROVERBS AND PHRASES

It is difficult to understand men, but still harder to know them thoroughly.—Schiller

Ofttimes many things fall out between the cup and the lip.—Greene.
It is far more important to me to preserve an unblemished conscience than to compass any object, however great.—Channing.

A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked. For the arms of the wicked shall be broken; but the Lord knoweth the day of the upright; and their inheritance shall be for ever.—Old Testament.

It is no great matter to live lovingly with humble and meek persons, but that he can do so with the peevish and perverse, he has true charity.—Taylor.

I hope I shall possess firmness and virtue enough to maintain what I consider the most enviable of all titles, the character of an honest man.—George Washington.

OUT OF THEIR OWN MOUTHS.

"We know it; the German eagle will victoriously unfold his pinions and ascend to a power greater than ever. And we shall also know how to keep a firm hold for all time to come on the countries which are fertilized with German blood. Our ardent love for our German fatherland makes us strong to make the greatest sacrifices. But let us therefore also keep a firm hold on what we have won, and acquire in addition what we need. Beyond bloody war is splendid victory—let that be the watchword of this great time."—Deputy Bassermann at a farewell gathering of the National Liberal Party, of the Central Committee of which he was president quoted in *Forwards*, December 5, 1914.

AN IMPORTANT CONFERENCE.

An important conference will be held here Dec. 27 and 28. It will be a meeting of the meat men—producers, wholesalers, retailers, housewives, etc., to consider the meat supply situation.

It is unknown at this time just what phases of the meat situation will be gone into, but the conference should take up the matter of New Mexico butchers slaughtering their own livestock, something that is rarely ever done in the state at present. Take Albuquerque as an example: The bulk of the meat sold here comes from the eastern packing houses. In other words, we ship thousands of head of cattle, sheep and hogs from the state to eastern markets, paying the freight thereon, and then we have the finished product shipped back here, paying the freight again. Not only do we have to pay the freight both ways, but we also have to pay tribute to the packers, which is no small sum. Now if we did our own killing all of this additional and unnecessary expense would be avoided.

We hope the conference will consider this important phase of the meat question, handle packing house instead of home-killed meat.

A COMPETITOR IN TOWN.

The other day while walking down South Second street we noticed a pile of suspicious looking packages on the sidewalk. Being curious and taking the necessary steps to satisfy our curiosity we examined the packages and found them to contain catalogues from a well known mail order house. For convenience in shipping the catalogues were tied up in bundles of about a dozen books each. They were sent here by freight or express, we suppose, to be mailed. The catalogues amounted to fully half a car load.

There's a competitor in town—a formidable one, too, yet he's exempted from taxation and the other assessments which the local merchants are called upon to pay. He doesn't contribute a cent to help run the local government, to build schools or support the churches. He is not a member of the chamber of commerce and never spent any of his time or energy in boosting the town. He never came across with a cent to aid the poor

He bought no life insurance, no liberty bonds, contributed nothing to the Y. M. C. A. or Y. W. C. A. was work funds, never aided in getting a concession here and never will and if you went to him for an accommodation like you would to your local merchant, you wouldn't get it.

Don't kid yourself into thinking you can do better by trading with a mail-order house than you can at home; if you do cling to this opinion, move out your list from a catalog, take it to any store in town, plank down the cash as you would have to do if you sent away for the goods, and you will find that you can buy just as cheaply here. Besides, you can see just what you are getting when you buy at home, there are no long delays waiting for your shipment to arrive and the home merchant needs your support.

COAL IS PLENTIFUL.

Coal is plentiful—except in the people's bins. There are millions of tons either in the mines already being worked or lying beneath the virgin soil awaiting the coming of the miners with their picks, their shovels and their blasting facilities to loosen it from its bed where it has lain for ages, and bring it to the surface so it can be shipped to the factories and homes of the country. Why, right here at home we have enough coal to supply America if enough men were put to work to mine it and transportation facilities were available to send it where needed. Yet in spite of this there is a coal shortage all over the country. Some places it cannot be gotten at all, and when it is obtainable the price is almost prohibitive.

Can't the same power that compels a man to shoulder a gun and march off to war also compel the production and distribution of coal? Of course it can. And it will be done unless the situation is relieved at an early date. This is not socialism in any other sense; it is simply common every day horse sense.

CAUGHT WITH THE GOODS.

It begins to look like the packers those patriots who invited a federal probe and even offered to put their plants under government operation for the period of the war—had been brought to bay, as the investigation now in progress has already stirred up a more unsavory odor than that hanging around the Chicago stock yards, which, you will have to admit, if you have ever been in that vicinity, is SOME smell. And the investigation is not more than a week old! There is no telling what additional rotten disclosures will be made as the inquiry proceeds.

There has long been a suspicion that there was something wrong in connection with the meat supply of the country. Livestock men—the producers—have declared they were being gouged, while the poor ultimate consumer did not doubt for a minute that he was the victim of a band of highbinders. It now develops that the packers were pretty well organized. When a man shipped stock to Kansas City, Chicago or some other eastern market, he took the price offered him by the combine, likewise the consumer paid the combine's price for the finished product, while the packers waxed and grew fat.

The fact of the matter is, the packers have been making so much money they didn't know what to do with it and they have had to lay awake nights to devise ways and means to get rid of their surplus earnings—a condition of affairs not many of us are bothered with these days. If any of us lose any sleep it is because we are compelled to fight off old Morpheus while we are out on a plan to keep the wolf away from the door, a situation for which the packers, in part, at least, are responsible.

But the packers have been caught with the goods. Developments thus far enough to stamp them as the biggest set of thieves and rascals in the country. Perhaps if the government takes a step which is likely to result from the present probe—the average American family will be able to have a few slices of bacon for breakfast occasionally without forking over a week's wages for them.

CHILDREN WRITE FOOD SLOGANS.

A competition was recently held among Indian school children by the federal food administrator of that state, prizes being offered for food-conservation posters. Thousands of children participated with poster designs and food-saving slogans, and the following succinct phrases are given as examples of the children's work:

BEATING UP THE GERMANS. At one form or other that plan of bottling up the Germans is still before the allied powers, though now the best sentiment appears to favor straining nets and mines across the narrow passage between Denmark and Norway, after first clearing out the U-boat nests on the Belgian coast.

Be Cannily With Food.
Feel Thin and Win.
Not That We Love Food Less But We Love Liberty More.
Spread Butter Thin—Help the Sammies Get Berlin.

Be a Conservative Bee.
Bread and Buns Will Beat the Hunns.
Fill All Cans But Garbage Cans Can Until You Can't.
Every Squad is a Bullet.
Save Bacon Until Berlin is Taken.
Save Navy Beans—Twil Sink the Submarines.

Wise Wives Won't Waste.
Kill Kaiserism in the Kitchen.
Every Hoosier Help Hoover.
Eat Fish—A Good War Dish.
The Nation Beats That Saves Eats.
Picnic and Can for Uncle Sam.
The Kitchen is Your Post.
Throw Away Your Frying Pan—
Pork, Bread, and Roll All You Can.

The Austrian fidelity to Prussia is the fidelity of a dog that has felt the lash.

The Kaiser's faith in Providence does not permit him to expose himself to gunfire.

The Scrap Book

THE KAISER'S LAST PRAYER. Mine Gott in Himmel! Vill you be my partner?

You don't know who I am? I am dey German Kaiser, Emp. Vilhelm, You know old ticked de Belgium and filled Russians full, And wiped up France and Italy and bowed up Johnny Bull!

But for all dose nations I don't give a damn!

If you just be mine partner, and help me up Uncle Sam.

You know I have dose submarines all Europe knows so well,

But Edison has got a machine vot blows 'em all to hi-i

Ash, Gott! if you will do dis, den I vill always liv.

And I vill be Emperor on Earth and You can be Above.

Ach Gott! if you refuse me dis, to-morrow night at seven,

I call out my Zeppelins and declare war on heaven.

Ach Gott! I would not do dis, but it is so plainly seen.

Ven Edison push the button, I got no submarines!

GERMAN PEASANT WOMEN DO WORK OF HORSES.

What American women may expect if Prussian kultur is not stamped from the face of the earth is gathered from the observations of an American bicyclist tourist who left Germany shortly after the outbreak of the war says the January Popular Mechanics Magazine in an illustrated article. The spectacle of women doing all manner

heavy labor was never particularly unusual in German cities in peace

days, but the sight of four women harnessed like horses and pulling a wagon was a distinct shock to the traveler who witnessed this scene along the roadside in the state of Hesse-Nassau.

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