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A Newspaper With Clean-Cut Opinions.



President Roosevelt paid the colored man a high, and a deserved tribute Wednesday at Springfield, Ill., when addressing an audience of troops among whom were many colored soldiers. He said: "It was my own good fortune at San Juan to serve beside colored troops," etc.—Deadwood Independent.

Yes, the country remembers Teddy's service "beside colored troops." He walked directly into a trap set by the Spanish and at an opportune moment a negro regiment was sent to his rescue, saving him and his command from the perilous position into which Roosevelt's "strenuous" style had placed them. The negroes did good work, saved Teddy and his command and whipped the Dons to a frazzle. If there's a man on earth who is in position to realize the good fighting qualities of the colored soldier, President Roosevelt is that man.

"This is a government of liberty by and through law; government in which no man is to be permitted either to domineer over the less well off or to plunder the better off. It is a government in which each man is to be guaranteed his rights and in return for which it is to be seen he does not wrong his fellows. The supreme safety of our country is to be found in the fearless and honest administration of the law of the land."—Roosevelt's speech at Springfield, Ill.

Oh, such platitudes—such "glittering generalities"—such impractical utterances! When there are privileged classes, shielded by Rooseveltian legislation, plundering the consuming classes, talk about a government in which "no man is permitted to domineer over the less well off!" When the banking classes are permitted to assume the function of issuing money for private gain at the expense of the masses, talk about this being a government where one class "does not wrong his fellows!" With a slumbering attorney general refusing to enforce the laws and permitting the trusts to plunder the people, talk about "the fearless and honest administration of the law of the land!" If such sentiment isn't mockery, what do you call it?

Now that W. R. Hearst, the proprietor of several "yellow" journals, has taken unto himself a wife, we may reasonably expect, in the course of time, to see a few "yellow kids."—Belle Fourche Bee.

Queer how some folks—even "editors"—can't keep from exhibiting their meanness of spirit, to the general public! If there's a place on earth where the name Hearst should be free from such dirty flings it is here in the Black Hills, but there's no accounting for the doings of some people.

But speaking of Mr. Hearst's "yellow journals," let us glance back at their record for a minute. What man was most prominent in finally forcing the American government to intercede in behalf of Cuba and her starving people in 1898? W. R. Hearst, and he did it with his "yellow journals." Who was first to visit the wrecked Maine in Havana harbor, photograph the wreck, get complete diagrams and submit them all to the use of the government to aid it in its investigation? The representatives of W. R. Hearst and his "yellow journals." Who, while others did nothing, sent three trainloads of physicians, nurses, medicines, clothing, food and money to the stricken vic-

WHY JOURNALISM INVADES PRIVACY

By ST. CLAIR M'KELWAY, Veteran Editor

WILL WRONG ABANDONS SECRECY JOURNALISM WILL INVADE PRIVACY. It is not nice work, but it is better than plunder. It morally excels what it brings to light. A CONSTABLE IS BETTER THAN THE CRIMINAL HE CAPTURES. A newspaper which flashes on the secrecy of wrong, on the privacy of public offenses, the clear white light of publicity is better than what it reveals. It should not be condemned by the malefactors on whom it turns that light. A qualification for press criticism is not supplied by the mere receipt of that criticism.

THOSE WHOM THE PRESS CENSURES FOR CAUSE ARE LIKELY TO CENSURE THE PRESS WITHOUT CAUSE OTHER THAN THEIR OWN SMARTS.

Newspapers are often in error, but most of them are more anxious to repair it than commit it, or persist in it. Has a man incurred the general displeasure of the community? He blames the paper that says he has AND PROVES IT. Has some particular journal offended a sensitive citizen? That journal becomes his measuring rod for the whole press. Does an editor decline to take a man at his own estimate of himself? That man regards that editor as well nigh a public enemy.

The number of those who can regard a difference of opinion as no proof of moral obliquity is never large. Run back to their sources the reasons of those who perpetually impeach the press and you will find that they have their roots in personal grievances, IN MENTAL LITTLENESS OR IN SPIRITUAL BARBARISM.

The press is imitative and sympathetic. When society really determines to foster its own privacy and not to fling its occasions and its persons at the head of the public, then the relation of journalism to the right of men and women to eat, drink, travel and receive without publication will be respected.

The community that would reform the news tone of the press should reform the news tone of its parlors, its tables and its clubs.

THE GOSSIP OF THE PRESS IS BUT THE EXTENSION OF THE GOSSIP OF THE AVENUE, WITH THE DIFFERENCE THAT IT IS LESS RECKLESSLY AND MORE GRAMMATICALLY EXPRESSED.

MEN ARE WHAT WOMEN MAKE THEM

By the Countess Von BOTHMER

MANY women remain unmarried from conscientious motives or because the right man does not come, for THERE ARE FEW WOMEN IN THE PRESENT DAY WHO ACCEPT THEIR FIRST OFFER WITH GRATITUDE.

It is the fashion to say, "Women are what men make them," and this is true in a certain sense. But it is much more correct to say that MEN ARE WHAT WOMEN MAKE THEM. Every race becomes decadent when the women fail in their duties.

Let it be the ambition of women, should it be their fate to marry, to prove themselves noble, unselfish wives. Should the inestimable joy of motherhood be theirs, let their strongest endeavor be to train their children in such a way that, WHATEVER THEIR STATION IN LIFE MAY BE, THEY MAY DO HONOR TO THEIR COUNTRY.

VALUE OF THE KINDERGARTEN

By W. T. HARRIS, United States Commissioner of Education

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times of the Galveston horror? W. R. Hearst and his "yellow journals."

Who has sent over \$13,000 to the Jewish sufferers in Russia, while his critics sat on their haunches and howled about "yellow journals?" W. R. Hearst. Who has done more than the president and his slumbering attorney general to throttle the coal trust? W. R. Hearst and his "yellow journals."

These are a few of the things which Mr. Hearst and his "yellow journals" have accomplished. A lot of his cheap critics, big and little, including the Belle Fourche Bee, might well get "yellow." It is hoped, for the good of coming generations, that if Mr. Hearst's recent union is blessed with children, that they may all be as "yellow" as their illustrious and patriotic father.

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His Faith Was Lacking.
Not every childish mind can fathom the mystery of the omnipresence of Deity. Little Tommie was one of these. He had been sent to bed alone. His cot was upstairs and the thunder rolled and lightning flashed unmercifully. He lay quietly until he could no longer stand it, and then his little nightgowned figure appeared at the head of the stairs.
"Ma!" he cried.
"Yes, my son," came the rejoinder.
"I'm afraid, ma. It thunders so, and I'm all alone."
"Go back to bed, Tommie," came his mother's voice. "Don't you know nothing can hurt you?"
Tommie went back to bed, but not to stay.
"Ma!" he cried again, and this time the little figure was halfway downstairs.
"Tommie," called his mother, "don't you know I have told you nothing can hurt you? God is always with you."
"Then ma," and this time there came an audible sniff from the weeping Tommie, "you come up and sleep wit God, and let me sleep with pa."
—Chicago Chronicle.

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