

THE IRON PORT.

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THOSE DEMOCRATIC HUMBUGS.

The democratic members of congress are not near so full of indignation toward our protective system as they were immediately after the elections of last year...

It is true that they have brought forward measures attacking our woolen and worsted industries. How far they may have been sincere in the matter indicated by the long and confused discussion...

Next they timidly suggested the repeal of duties on coal and iron ore. The south and west thundered such an emphatic "No" to this proposition as to make the free traders quake...

We hear no more topofitical assertions that the southern democracy have got the Yankees in "chancery," and mean to punish them for their long years of allegiance to the republican party...

And now can our northern manufacturers remain ignorant of the true situation? Some of them were hoodwinked by the cry of "free raw material" in the election of last year...

Our southern and eastern manufacturers will get no "free raw material" from the democrats such as they require in their special industries...

Here is an example which we commend to the prayerful consideration of "favorite sons," everywhere. Senator Cullom, who has a stronger hold upon the republicans of Illinois than has any man upon the republicans of Michigan...

The new post at Chicago, Fort Sheridan, is undergoing investigation. The inquiry is conducted by Col. Heyl, inspector-general of the department...

We do not understand the haste with which the Mining Journal and the Soo News rally to the support of Pingree for the gubernatorial nomination...

Bishop Messner, of Green Bay, was consecrated a week ago and left his home in New Jersey the day before yesterday to take up the duties of his office.

The saloons of New York were closed last Sunday. Mr. Parkhurst's attack on the municipal authorities had so much effect, if it has no more.

Sir Henry Bessemer's suggestion to use aluminum for coinage purposes has many advantages in its favor. The metal is light and durable, and the value in prac-

tical currency could be represented in a small bulk. It is also suggested that platinum be used for \$1000 coins. This would save the international trade a great deal of labor in shipping large amounts of gold across the ocean to equalize exchange...

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JEMIMY.

She's turned her silk, Jemmy bea. 'Twas gold and green at first; She trimmed it with an edge o' gold...

THE "FOUR HUNDRED."

Dr. Wardell's Opinion, and What Came of It.

The boudoir was luxuriously furnished. In every part of it the pride of wealth was manifest. It was worthy of the superb creature who possessed it.

The maiden reclined upon a richly colored divan her posture careless, yet graceful. Her dress fitted her perfectly and was exquisitely becoming.

Miss Chaworth's reverie was broken by her brother Charles, who came to the boudoir in search of her.

"I've something interesting to tell you, Helen," he eagerly exclaimed, after he had affectionately greeted his sister, whom he had not seen for several months.

"He must be a very priggish and disagreeable creature," said Helen, coldly.

"Not at all. He is a fine fellow, I can assure you."

"Helen smiled in a manner that was both indulgent and disdainful. She was fond-enough of her warm-hearted brother to tolerate his erratic tendency to form phobian associations."

"You will entertain him pleasantly, will you not?" asked Charles, anxiously.

doctor would be suitably impressed, however much he might have cultivated a contempt for those who towered above him socially.

It was natural that the proud Miss Chaworth should feel piqued because he did not behave according to her desire, and yet she could not help admiring him.

After conversing with the doctor on various subjects for a few minutes Helen felt a mischievous desire to say something that might discomfit him.

"Doctor," she remarked, with sudden frankness, "I'm going to be bold enough to ask you a question that you may not be willing to answer."

"I must acknowledge that what he has told you is true, although, lest you should judge me too harshly, I prefer to make an explanation. I like to take a broad view of any topic that is opened for discussion, and if you care to listen to me I will give my opinions as intelligently as I can."

By this time Miss Chaworth had become convinced that she was in the presence of no common man, and she eagerly gave the doctor encouragement to proceed.

"Seeing that you do not shrink from hearing something which will probably not please one in your station of life, I will speak frankly," said the young man.

"You know that much is said concerning our boasted civilization. It is truly maintained that never previous to this century was there a time when people were so well housed, fed and clothed as at present in this country; never were all classes so well provided with opportunities so favorable for making and spending money; never before could all the comforts and luxuries be so freely enjoyed.

"How can you talk so horribly," cried Miss Chaworth, who could no longer restrain her indignation.

"I was generalizing," replied the imperturbable doctor. "I would not be so ungracious as to be personal in my remarks, and insult so charming a lady as yourself."

"But you cannot deny that from your generalizations that can be deduced which criticize myself."

"Only in a small degree. The remark which has particularly offended you probably applies to a thousand ladies, to be moderate in my estimate, so that only one thousandth part of the criticism can legitimately apply to you."

His adroit sophistry restored Helen's good humor. She laughed merrily.

"I beg of you to let me hear the worst," she said. "The worst is," said the philosophic physician, frankly, "that I consider the Four Hundred the most advanced band of savages in this country, and as you are supposed to be one of that sacred number, I will qualify my statement by saying that my criticism only applies to three hundred and ninety-nine persons."

"Thank you," said his fair hearer, sarcastically. "But, seriously, I maintain that my strictures on fashionable society, although far-fetched, do not exaggerate the truth so much as may appear to one who has not given the subject careful consideration."

By the time the doctor had finished speaking Miss Chaworth was greatly interested in him, and regarded him with much respect. He stimulated her mind; his courageous condemnation of the follies of fashionable society, and his enthusiastic attachment to a high ideal, awakened her admiration; his superiority to the city dudes to whose society she was accustomed was vividly felt; she saw in him the beauty and strength of true manhood; he aroused the dormant possibilities of good in her, and overcame the complacency which she had attained as a petted darling of society.

During the evening the two talked, now earnestly, now merrily, and Miss Chaworth acknowledged to herself that it was the most delightful conversation in which she had ever participated. The next morning Dr. Wardell departed and the young woman saw him go with much regret.

Our heroine spent portions of the following summer and fall among the Berkshire hills, and there again met the eccentric but fascinating young man who had dared in her presence to condemn the fashionable world with unflinching sincerity.

THE USE OF TIME.

How It Is Restricted by Enactments of Legislatures.

Among these five factors, land, labor, capital, mental energy and time, there is but one in which all men must share alike. All others are variable. One only is equal and constant, and that is time.

The hours of the day number twenty-four. Whether a man be rich or poor, whether well endowed with mental energy or not, the one opportunity, the one element of property, which all must share alike, is time.

It follows that any legal restrictions upon the free use of time impair personal liberty more than almost any other interference with the freedom of men that can be conceived. Such restrictions create inequality in that which in its nature must be shared by all alike.

Yet, step by step and session by session, the legislatures of almost every state are enacting statutes restricting the use of time, which, when enforced, create monopolies, establish privileged classes and inflict disabilities.

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The castle to which all the branches of the much-divided Hohenzollern stock look as to the ancestral home lies a few miles from Sigmaringen, the road winding along a tumbling brook, whose mouth is near the foot of the ruins of Dietfurt castle, where the water on one side flows to the Danube and on the other into the Rhine.

In the broad valley shortly beyond this pond, writes Poultney Bigelow in Harper's Magazine, rises a solitary peak crowned with the battlements of Burg Hohenzollern. For miles on every side it is the most striking feature of the country, and rising as it does straight up out of a great plain, and commanding an unobstructed view of all surrounding approaches, it represented down to our century a military position readily appreciated.

It has been twice in ruins, and twice built up again by the united efforts of all the family. The present castle was commenced in 1850, with a view not merely of preserving the cradle of the Prussian kings, but equally to represent in south Germany a military stronghold of some value.



HOHENZOLLERN CASTLE.

walls, which made us rather wonder where they could find standing-room together for the purpose, until we discovered a little terrace cut out of the side of the slope, somewhat like the one on the Quebec citadel.

The day was hot, our coats were off, our waistcoats loose, and sleeves rolled up as we sought the public room of the castle, where a retired sergeant provided mediocre food at rather high prices.

Of course the "Kastellan" showed us the castle, but the rooms being modern, the interest is rather with historic association than with the objects themselves, precious as many of them are. The present emperor has not visited the place since his advent to the throne, and it has never been much lived in by any of the royal family.

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