

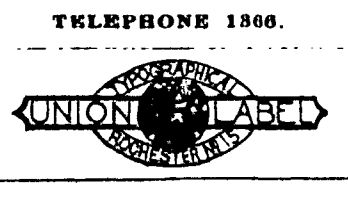
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ENGLISH ILLUSIONS

British newspapers have been, for the past few weeks, amusing themselves with estimates of our strength as a nation. Some of these journals have gone so far as to brand us as a fourth rate power. If this be true, England must stand near the eighth or tenth place on the list. A way back in 1776 when but a mere handful of colonies, and only an embryo government, we gave the British Islands such a drubbing that the world has not yet ceased to talk about it. Again, in 1812, when we were nowhere as strong as to-day, we repeated the little episode, and did it mainly on the waters, despite the fact that England has long boasted herself as "Queen of the Seas."

Careful-thinking Americans do not underestimate England's strength on land or sea, and there is no reason to believe that English editors underestimate ours. No thoughtful American is of the opinion that we can sail to England and best her on her own territory, neither do they for a moment imagine that England can come here and defeat us, though they do believe that upon neutral grounds the victory of a meeting would perch upon our standards. They believe this, because they deem our resources to be the most of any power in the world; they believe this, because they judge the patriotism of our people to be the most sincere and liveliest of any government; they believe this because of the incalculable fighting strength demonstrated by this government in the late civil war.

While hard words butter no parsnips and shed no blood, still they do leave smarting scars. While preaching the need of closer international ties between this country and England, it is curious that British literary men should be so childish as to toy with such unwarrantable assertions that the United States are only a fourth-rate power.

English critics know full well that our place is not among the fourth-rate powers; they know that we stand shoulder to shoulder with the leaders of the earth, asking favors of none, granting all that that we can to others, fostering good where'er we may find it, and seeking not to take advantage of weak nations, but humble in our strength dealing with all as we would have all deal with us. We seek no trouble, we want no trouble; we desire no opportunity to prove by force that the assertion of these English critics is untrue; in fact we know that no such thing is necessary to disprove it, because we are well aware that between the lines of their articles, the thinking men of the nations can see the horns of envy and jealousy.

Because the JOURNAL inserts notices of some of the candidates it should not be taken as presenting our views. The JOURNAL is not in poli-

A MANLY TRIBUTE

Bishop Thomas F. Gailor of the Episcopal church was invited to be present on Irish-American day at the Tennessee exposition. He was unable to attend but sent a letter which stamps him as a man of broad ideas and generous nature. In the course of his epistle he paid this tribute to Irish and Irish-Americans:

"The glory of the Irish-Americans is, that while they have never forgotten their race and the honor due it, they have fostered and perpetuated no foreign customs and prejudices, but have given themselves unreservedly and with their whole hearts to the loyalty of American citizenship. Therefore, it is simply historic that the Irish-Americans have contributed more than any class of our people to the practical realization of free government on this continent, and to the Americanizing of American institutions. The record—all the way from the Mecklenburg declaration to the Wautauga constitution; from Andrew Jackson to our own time—is unequalled for splendid patriotism, and it is a precious heritage to us to be in any way connected with it."

How do the bigots like that? Does it not make them feel ashamed of themselves? It ought to.

The "Catholic Review" thus pushes "non-sectarianism" to its logical conclusion:

"Let there be no 'sneak' in this separation of church and state' craze! Put the Protestant version of the Bible out of the public court and the public schools, do away with the religious oaths at the taking of testimony, discharge the Protestant ministers who are chaplains of legislatures, prisons and reformatories; dismiss preachers and priests who are drawing money from the public treasury in payment for their services in preaching their beliefs of the Christian religion to our soldiers and sailors; forbid the election or appointment of a clergyman to any political office, and let the so-called American principle of the separation of church and state drive God and His Christ and His Word and His rule and His kingdom and His clerical representatives out of the official life of this nation. Let it not be only Catholic Indian schools or Catholic charities that are 'sectarian.' Let Protestant schools and Protestant teachers and Protestant ministers and Protestant institutions fall under the same unchristian ban. Fair play, gentlemen. It is Protestants who are prescribing this treatment. Let them take their own medicine."

The Catholic women of Chicopee, Mass., have interested themselves in the effort for the establishment of a Catholic college for the higher education of women, and have been the first to send a money contribution for this purpose, and though pledges have been received from many places, the first actual money to be received was \$100 sent by 100 women of Chicopee who have been connected in the past with the school under the charge of the Notre Dame sisters at Chicopee, and are now connected with the St. Joseph's Reading circle under charge of Rev. J. J. McCoy. These 100 women have voluntarily pledged themselves to send a similar sum every year for nine years, thus making a total contribution of \$1,000.

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Some sacred interpreters recognize, in this ruler, who left his home to seek Christ, the human mind as a queen in the midst of things created, which naturally rises above all material things, and, leaving far behind what is subject to the senses, goes in search of the truth that comes from heaven. In the ruler's sick son they recognize the human will, weak and wavering in the midst of the seduction of the world; and in the fever they recognize the power of the passions, which corrupt the will and cause it to be almost without life in regard to doing good.

Weekly Church Calendar
Sunday, October 23.—Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost. St. Raphael, Archangel. Less. Tobias xii. 7-15. Gosp. John vi. 1-14. Last Gosp. John iv. 46-53.
Monday, 25.—St. Chrysanthus and Daria, martyrs.
Tuesday, 26.—St. Evaristus, Pope and martyr.
Wednesday, 27.—Vigil of SS. Simon and Jude.
Thursday, 28.—SS. Simon and Jude, Apostles.
Fri. ay. 29.—Feria.
Saturday, 30.—Vigil of All Saints. Fast.

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The stovepipe hat will for the present continue to rest on the topmost peg of approbation, where it vaunteth itself in its exaltation, as the distinctive emblem of Dignity (with a big D). Lord Ronald Gower: last year started a crusade against it in Europe. He reviled it, calling it "an elongated monstrosity," "an elevated insult to good taste," and diverse other detractions, disrespectful and insulting names, avowing his purpose to knock it into a cocked hat, a Derby and a Fedora. He didn't knock it into anything but notoriety. He tried to kick it back into the last century, but when he kicked it he bruised his bunton against a rock as big and fast as Gibraltar that he did not know was concealed under the hat, and he has retired to his hospital. He appealed to the Prince of Wales to aid him in banishing the stovepipe, but Wales donned one, and sent word to all the clubs and sprigs and prigs and big wigs to wear stovepipes and meet him at Goodwood races. They did, Gower was a gener, and the stovepipe is a high favorite.

Pyrotechnic and picturesque language prevails at political pow-wows in New York these days—and nights. Everybody gets spattered with linguistic blood and spotted with verbal mud. There is no superiority of one party over others in this vigorous combat of eloquent vituperation. Many passages are brilliant and not a few are hellfire. At the Henry George ratification meeting at Cooper Union, John J. Foote, who created a diversion at the Tammany Convention, when his chairman successfully cast Mr. Foote's vote contrary to Mr. Foote's wishes, made a speech, and with one skillful movement stood on the Tiger's tail, while he twisted the Lion's tufted candle extension. This is how he did it; and if it isn't neat we would like to see it neatly done: "Fellow Regular Democrats, my name is Foote. I did the best I could to put my foot on the Tiger's tail at the Tammany Convention. Instead of taking an American as chief counsel they sent across the ocean for a man who, while toadying to the Prince of Wales and the lecherous sons of a vicious aristocracy, had lost whatever manhood he ever had." At every meeting of every party equally rich treats are enjoyed. No meeting should be missed.

James L. Whalen.
The Democratic and Good Government candidate for Member of the Executive Board, was born in Utica on November 11th, 1857. He came to Rochester in 1863, and has resided in this city ever since. For 19 years he was a resident of the Second ward and for the past 15 years has lived in the Ninth ward. Mr. Whalen is a business man of prominence, being a member of the firm of R. T. Whalen & Co., and pays taxes on quite a large property. He has never held any political office, although many honorable positions have been tendered him by the Democratic party.
Mr. Whalen is one of those men who can always be depended on to look after the interests and welfare of the city, and he should be elected one of the members of the Executive Board. He served nearly three years as a "minute man" on the old fire department from 1878 to 1881, and is universally known as a popular and successful business man. Voting for him and you will cast your vote for a man who will see that the city's interests are at all times well guarded and protected.

DeVillo W. Seizo
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Society Calendars.
C. M. B. A.
Monday—58, 81.
Tuesday—82, 121, 139.
Wednesday—34, 88, 117, 131.
Thursday—80.
C. R. & B. A.
Monday—25, 52.
Tuesday—18, 27.
Wednesday—24, 59, 66.
Thursday—44, 50.
D. O. F. E.
Monday—1.
Tuesday—7.
A. O. H.
Tuesday—6.
Wednesday—3.
Thursday—1, 7.

Something of the real value of the aristocracy of dogmatic wisdom was demonstrated in the Luetgart murder trial at Chicago. The reliability of the opinions of high-priced expert witnesses was rather forcibly disclosed when one anatomist positively identified a dog's skull as the skull of a monkey.

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