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### CAMPAIGN MATERIAL

A story that comes from Lincoln, Nebraska, the home of Mr. Bryan, ought to provide the prohibition candidate for the presidency with some effective ammunition. It is the story of a man who visited Mr. Bryan at his home, and this is its substance:

"One visitor to Fairview to-day quitted it with flying coat tails. He had just emerged from a conference with Bryan and was coming down the walk with a satisfied smile. About half way down he came across a huge bull snake six feet long and as thick as a sapling, which had stretched itself in the sun across the broad brick walk. He gave a yell and circling through an alfalfa field made a straight run for a car, never stopping for a quarter of a mile."

From the fact that an ardent Democrat sees snakes when he departs from the home of his favorite candidate, a prohibition advocate should be able to draw inferences somewhat damaging to the cause of the enemy. The potency of Mr. Bryan's brand appears to be beyond dispute.

### CONCERNING IMMIGRATION

Some remarkable figures relating to the number of unemployed persons in England were given this week in an interview in Toronto by Col. Lamb, chief emigration officer of the Salvation Army. He said:

"Just now the English standing army of the unemployed is greater than it has been for the past ten years, being somewhere about 800,000. Under ordinary circumstances it averages 600,000. We received about 100,000 applications from people wanting to come to Canada this year. Out of that number at least 80,000 were promptly refused as unfitted for agricultural life, and the other 20,000 were, by selection, reduced to 6000."

Referring to their experience in bringing immigrants to Canada Col. Lamb said:

"The army aids a large portion of those who emigrate under its auspices by means of loans. It is gratifying to state that the emigrants to Canada with very few exceptions have made their repayments in a way that speaks well, both for them and for the resources of Canada. Last year they paid back \$14,000 and after some of them are lost sight of they often remit with explanations for the delay."

For the present the Army is not heading immigrants this way. We quote from the interview with Col. Lamb:

"We have stopped sending emigrants to Canada this season, and the only others who will come out under our auspices this year will be members of families to join relatives who have come out in advance to get homes established," said Col. Lamb. "This year we brought out about 8000 against 15,000 last season. Those who came out this year were women and children in greater proportion than usual, many being members of families in which the father came out during the boom of a year ago."

"Early this year reports from Canada, owing to the financial panic, were of such a character that they might have been seriously detrimental to the future of Canada, had it not been for the steady influence of the Salvation Army officers, who told the people throughout the old country that the panic was caused by influences for which the Dominion was in no respect responsible."

"At present we are diverting the tide of emigration to Australia, and the Argentine. None are now going to South Africa, as the labor conditions there are much worse than here and we are advised that they are bad in the United States. In the Argentine there is at present a good demand for British mechanics in the dockyards and other extensive public works in progress. The government there likes the British mechanic, and will welcome an infusion of the steady British blood."

Of the attitude of labor organizations toward the Army and its emigration work the Colonel makes these significant observations:

"We are met on both sides of the Atlantic by a certain amount of labor official criticism. In England the labor

leaders want the unemployed left as a basis for political reforms, but the very leaders who criticize the Salvation Army for its emigration policy frequently send personal letters of introduction for worthy unemployed workmen who are seeking a chance to emigrate to where work is to be found."

### ROOSEVELT AND OTHERS

President Roosevelt recently wrote the following letter to the boys and girls of Washington:

"Through Dr. Curtis I learn many of you are taking an active part in athletic events. I am glad to see this. I believe in work and I do not believe in sacrificing work to play; but I most emphatically believe also in play. A boy or girl who has a healthy body will be all the better fit for serious work and if the health come through vigorous sports pursued in an honorable, straight-forward manner, not only the mind but the character is benefited."

"To the boys I wish to say a special word. I emphatically believe in manliness and courage, but I believe quite as much in good comradeship and fair play. I hope wherever you enter a contest you will remember it is far better to fail than win by unfairness or underhand trickery. Keep in mind it is only by persistent effort in the face of discouragement any of us ever do anything really worth while. The fellow who gives up when once beaten is made of mighty poor stuff and does not stand much chance of success in the serious conflicts of after life."

In contrast to this advice by the president, and the assurance of his sympathy with the children in their play, a Detroit paper states that at a recent meeting of the school board "a petition was presented by 33 residents in the neighborhood of the Duffield school for the abolition of the summer playground at that school as an 'intolerable nuisance,' because of the 'din' made by the children." The board promptly tabled this petition, and a Detroit paper, commenting upon the incident, makes these biting observations:

"To those 33 neighbors of the Duffield school who in their consuming desire for peace and quiet have petitioned the school board to abate 'the intolerable nuisance' of the public playground, situated in their midst, we hasten to extend our sympathy. The voices of children, particularly happy children, are shrill and penetrating. If one, because of abnormally sensitive nerves, can tolerate no children in one's own house, then one surely should not be compelled to bear with the children of other people whom one doesn't know. Children should not be permitted to laugh or shout joyously even in the delirium of innocent and wholesome play. We have achieved noiseless automobiles and barkless dogs—why not soundless children?"

"The precedent of our own remote youth, of course, has nothing to do with it. Maybe, when we had not attained our teens, we romped and took no thought of crabbed neighbors. But that is past. We have forgotten it. We will not concede, for purposes of our own personal comfort, that children, like kittens and puppies, demand exercise of the lungs and the vocal chords as well as the muscles and that for their normal development nature in that guileless age speaks plainly."

"It is not necessary to bring up the ancient argument that we must make some sacrifice to the coming generation, even as the last generation made sacrifices for us, and so on back to the very first baby. Perhaps it is inopportune to make the point that, before we recognized the humane necessity of these public playgrounds, these same youngsters were playing in filthy alleys or beneath the feet of horses and the wheels of street cars in disease-laden streets. Of course, we ought to abandon all progress that we have made, because the gleeful shouts of innocence offend fastidious ears."

This information is given by the New York American: "There is a baby born every three minutes in this city. Every five minutes there is a human death. And going further with such figures, there is an average of a marriage every eight minutes. Births exceed the city's death rate by over 70,000 a year. Thus it will be seen that even if New York had no emigration the city would grow with amazing rapidity."

### CARE OF THE TREES

The Editor of the Times: Sir,—Alderman Frink deserves credit for taking an interest in trees, or perhaps rather, in the squares and other open spaces about the city.

Will Dr. Frink also give some attention to the trees we have? They have been growing, or not growing, as they please this summer, and now this month is the time to prune them. They need it very much. The trees about the city appear to have been planted and afterwards neglected, or if a branch had been cut off, the work has not been properly done. Look at those around the fountain on King square; limbs cut off and stumps 6 inches to 18 inches left.

All around the two squares (King and Queen) and the old Burial Ground, where limbs have been cut off, the same thing has been done. Not a nice thing for strangers to notice that we don't know how to cut a limb off a tree.—Yours truly, J. D. UNDERHILL.

Father A. P. Doyle, of Washington, is at Rome with a plan to win the world back to Roman Catholicism.

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Brother and Brother—parched of their thirst! They drink at the fountain head; They taste of the manna long denied; They eat of the fruit and are fed.

Again! Yet again—the waters of life! You shall hear from them, country mine! Hewers and builders, captains of men, Thinkers, poets divine— These, whom the elder lands would not! Patience, fools! Ye shall see, For a nation reappears as it hath sown, And the reaping is yet to be! —Debbie H. Silver, in Atlantic Monthly.

A good old Georgia brother, who had decided to leave an unremunerative charge, finding it impossible to collect his salary said in his farewell sermon: "I have little more to add, dear brethren, save this: You were all in favor of free salvation, and the manner in which you have treated me proves that you have got it!" Atlantic Constitution.

A maiden lady who wore bloomers and rode a bicycle was scolding along a country road near Warham, when she drew up before an astonished farmer. "My man," she said, "is this the way to Warham?" The farmer looked her over very carefully. Then he removed a straw from his mouth, and answered: "I dunno miss. But you kin see for yourself that's the way I wear 'em."—Exchange.

There was one disappointed man among those who attended the state ball-room at the Citadel the other day, to receive honors at the hands of the Prince of Wales. It had been anticipated that he would receive a higher honor than he did. The following morning, a lady who had been away from Quebec returned, and meeting the gentleman's wife, said: "Well, I suppose we shall have to say 'Lady'— after this!" "Indeed, no," was the disgusted reply. "He only got a little ting for his cravat!"—Montreal Herald.

An Episcopal rector travelling in the South, met a native, also, by his own profession an Episcopalian. "Who confirmed you?" asked the rector. "Nobody. What's that?" "But didn't you tell me you were an Episcopalian?" "Oh, yes," said the old man; "and I'll tell you how it is. Last spring I went down to New Orleans visitin'. While I was there I went to church, and I heard 'em say they had left undone them things they'd oughter done, and done them things they hadn't oughter done, and I said to myself, 'That's jest my fix, too.' I found out that was an Episcopal church, and so I've been an 'Episcopalian' ever since."—Life.

"I suppose, Uncle Jim, you remember a good deal about the politics of the early days." "Well, I never tuk much int'rest in politics, but I kin recollect when John C. Fremont was 'lected president." "Fremont! Why, Fremont was never elected." "He wun't. Well, now, that gits me, I heard a leadin' speaker talk the night fore 'lection, an' he said if John Fremont wun't 'lect the country would fall to ruin an' everybody would have to shut up shop. Course, I didn't take the papers; but, noticin' that things went on 'bout same as before, I calculated John wun't. So he wun't 'lect. Well, 'jinks that gits me."—Judge.

## OF INTEREST TO FRUIT GROWERS

Editor Times: Sir,—The Society's Autumn Show of Colonial Grown Fruit and Vegetables will be held on November 26th and 27th next, in the Royal Horticultural Hall, Vincent Square, Westminster, London, when the president and council hope for a large show of fruits, wines and representative of those British colonies whose fruits are in season at that time of year, and more especially from the West Indies, Canada, British Columbia and Nova Scotia. During the past few years the November Colonial Show has been highly successful, and a complete justification of the encouragement so long extended by the society to our Colonial Fruit industry.

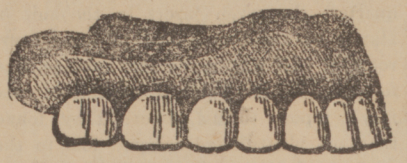
Ever since its foundation in 1804 the society has constantly endeavored to assist the fruit growing resources of British Colonies, and to foster their interest in every way. It was the R. H. S. which first sent out the original cuttings and grafts from which the majority of the trees now growing in our empire all over the world are descended. In the early part and middle of last century, the society propagated wine-grapes and other fruits, such as apples pears and plums by tens of thousands for gratuitous distribution in the then young colonies and having thus laid the foundation of the magnificent industry of fruit growing in the colonies, to bring the fruits themselves before the public at home, and to indicate the empire's resourcefulness in fruit and vegetable products, as well as their good qualities, and so to demonstrate the feasibility of the different parts of the empire mutually to supply not only the home, but their own various markets with an ample supply of fruit and vegetables without the assistance of the foreigner.

The council, who award the medals of the society after the recommendations of competent and disinterested judges, are particularly anxious to encourage fruit growers. Exhibits may be shown either through the agency of the agents general in London, or by the shippers, or by the growers themselves. If desired, any produce may be sent direct to the society, and it will be stored in the cellars at Vincent Square (not cold storage) and staged by the society's officials, but the society cannot undertake to repack and return any exhibits. No entrance fee or charge for space is made.

The London press always display a very favorable interest in these shows, and their reports are detailed, enumerating the success gained. May I ask for your support at the forthcoming show in November next. I shall be happy to send you a schedule, and any further information you may wish for. Faithfully yours, W. WILKS, Secretary. R. H. S. THE SYDNEY FIREMEN

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