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## THE DISPATCHER AT ERIE.

He Had the Makings of a Hero In Him.

By HADLEY F. FREEMAN.  
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"Sarah, I have finished Harvard, and my father will obtain for me the second vice presidency of the Great Central lines. You know I love you and you only. Will you marry me?"

"Henry," she said, "let us not discuss it here. Come with me into the conservatory." Once seated there, Henry, impetuous and quick tempered, burst out: "Sarah, you would not refuse me? Have you deceived me? Do you love another? Would you?"

"Henry," she interrupted, "be quiet. I love no one but you, but I will never marry a man who has not proved his ability."

"But I do not need"—  
"Do not need! True, not now, but if a crash should come or your father should die what would you do? What could you do? What work have you ever done? Do something to prove your ability."

"Sarah, you are right. I have never done anything. I have been quite useless, but I will show my worth."

The effect on Henry was remarkable. The next day bright and early



RUSHED TOWARD THE BIG ROUNDHOUSE. He entered his father's private office. The elder Sherlock greeted his son with a pleasant "Good morning."

"Dad," Henry stammered, "I want to talk things over with you."

"What's wrong now?"

"Everything."

"And in particular?"

"Sarah won't marry me until I do something."

"And you intend?"

"To throw up the vice presidency, start in at the bottom and work up."

"Very well. When do you wish to begin?"

"Tomorrow."

"All right. I'll see to the job."

That night his father said quietly: "Report to the dispatcher at Erie, O. Leave here at 2:30 a. m. It's fortunate for you that telegraphy was one of your youthful whims. Just as soon as you learn the job you will be given a responsible berth."

"Good night," said Henry and turned in.

And the next morning found him on his way from New York to Erie without having seen Sarah. Happy in the thought that he was to prove himself, he spent most of his trip composing a letter to her telling all and explaining his departure without seeing her.

The next afternoon he reached Erie tired and sleepy. From supper he went directly to bed in the home of one of the dispatchers, where he had secured room and board, and at 6 the next morning he began work.

He soon found that train dispatching was not easy. During the first weeks of his work he was assisted and watched by the dispatcher whose place he was to take. Then began the night shift. As far as population was concerned, Erie was hardly on the map, but as a railroad point it was most important. It was a division point of consequence, as several branches of the main line converged there.

Henry was given complete charge of a branch which boasted but four trains, so it was easy for him to take care of the wire and the train sheets.

How could he keep awake? The station with its cozy fire was almost homelike except for the feeling of loneliness.

He worked on, continually cheered by his letters from home and Sarah and by his own satisfaction at doing something well. And the first pay day—could the bank hold his first four weeks' wages, his \$30? Then he was given a really important desk.

But soon he began to be discouraged. Nothing happened. There seemed to be no way to prove himself. And then the test came.

In the middle of February came probably the meanest and most severe storm ever known to that region. The rain, chilled by the lower air and falling on the colder objects below, froze and formed one continuous ice sheet enveloping everything below. Down went trees, fences, wires and bridges—work, work night and day for the repair gangs.

With the wires down, the railroads resorted to the old schedule system of dispatching. But trains were late and the tracks slippery. After six hours of herculean labor a single line was run along the afflicted district of the Great Central lines and limited communication resumed.

On the night of the 16th Henry was sitting drowsily by his little stove. In these dreams was engrossed when suddenly and unexpected came the call for Erie—Er, er. Answering, Sherlock received the awful message: "Rocky cut bridge down and the National limited has passed here. Signed, Springdale."

Springdale was the first night station east of Erie and thirty-two miles away. Rocky cut was a mile and a half from Erie in the same direction and spanned by an old wooden railroad bridge. What should he do? Quickly he thought and quickly formed his plan.

On went his hat, coat and gloves, and out the door he tore and rushed toward the big roundhouse. On a nearby siding with steam up stood a switch engine, into which he sprang after opening the switch on to the main track.

He pulled the reverse lever and backed out of the siding on to the main track. With all possible haste he reset the switch, re-entered the cab and opened wide the throttle.

Never before had he gone so fast, never before had he attempted to run alone. In fact, his largest experience in running had been acquired on his father's private train. Now he seemed to stand still. Yet the cut soon opened before him. He braced himself, jammed on both brakes, and as the engine stopped on the edge of the bank he swung to the ground, slipped on the ice and snow and finally sank down in a heap.

He tried to rise. He could use but one foot—he had broken his ankle. How, with only one leg, could he cross the river? Yet he crawled down to the edge, hoping to make his way over on the ice. But the river, contrary to his expectations, was open. He wavered, almost backed out, then thought of Sarah and his opportunity—and plunged into the icy flood.

Hindered by his useless leg, he seemed to make but little progress. Would he never reach the other side? He was fast becoming exhausted when he struck firm ground and crawled out of the water. Painfully he made his way up to a section shanty, where were kept torpedoes for just such an emergency. He grasped several and hurried as fast as possible up the track. He must give the warning far enough from the bridge to allow the racing train time to stop.

And now his iron constitution, which won him collegiate sporting fame, served him well.

But he must go faster. He had but little time. He tried to walk on his broken leg, but it would not support him. He must crawl again. Oh, if he could only run, even for a minute or two! But hark! Even now in the distance he hears the whistle of the approaching train. Disappointed, he stops his mad race and fixes the torpedoes securely to the track.

Now he waits, but not for long. The train reels around the curve. Suppose the torpedoes should fail! But his fears are groundless. As the train passes, one torpedo after another explodes with a deafening roar, the brakes are slammed on, the engine and coaches groan, creak and come to a standstill. The train is saved!

Exhausted and no longer upheld by the intense excitement, he sank down unconscious. In this condition he was found by the trainmen. From letters in his pockets his identity was established and became known throughout the train. "Henry Sherlock!" cried a young woman who rushed out of a car.

She hurried down the track to where they were taking the unconscious man into a sleeper and immediately assumed command. After he had been carefully placed in a berth she sought to soothe him with endearing words and loving caresses. In the meantime a brakeman went through the car for a surgeon. One speedily came, and together they set the broken ankle, bound it and made splints to hold it in position.

Again the doctor examined the man and then shook his head ominously. "He has developed pneumonia and will need the most careful nursing."

"Oh!" cried Sarah.

"He had best be taken to a hospital as soon as possible. Will you attend to it?"

The limited was detoured over another railroad, and when they reached Toledo, the first large city, Henry, still unconscious, was removed from the train and carried to a hospital.

With her father and mother Sarah had been on her way to California. After the accident she refused to go

further, but determined to stay in Toledo with friends. Brave she tried to be, yet the strain was terrible. It was because of her he had gone away. If he were to die it would be her fault! Thus she worried. Would he never recover?

Then on a sunny and summer-like day in early March, with the warm breeze blowing through the window, the recovering patient was allowed to see one visitor.

"Whom shall it be?"

"Sarah—Miss Greene."

And when she rushed into the room and to the bedside, weak though he was, he was strong enough to clasp her tightly to him, while he asked the unnecessary question about his ability and was answered by the dearest girl in the world with a look, a kiss and the one word "Yes."

**Naming Men-of-war.**  
The big battleships of the United States navy have thus far been named after the states of the Union and the cruisers for the cities. But the department has a good rule by which the names of men who in the past distinguished themselves in the service can be bestowed on the smaller craft. Thus the memory of five naval heroes has just been honored in the designations of the five new torpedo boat destroyers authorized by congress. Twenty-six such names of famous officers have already been used, and to these the department has added those of Rear Admiral Daniel Ammen, Lieutenant John Trippe, Captain Daniel T. Patterson, Rear Admiral Henry Walke and Ensign John R. Monaghan.—Buffalo Commercial.

## NAME INCOMPARABLE.

In the heavens above  
The angels whispering to one another  
Can find among their burning terms of love  
None so devotional as that of mother.  
—Edgar Allan Poe.

## LODGE OFFICERS

The Modern Brotherhood of America elected.

Frank Dabney.....President  
John Gary.....Vice-President  
N. K. Nielson.....Sec'y and Treasurer  
Mrs. John DeGroot.....Conductor  
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Fred Olive.....Watchman  
James Redmond.....Sentry

The Degree of Honor has elected:

Mrs. Gagner.....Past Chief  
Mrs. Hite.....Chief of Honor  
Mrs. Peterson.....Lady of Honor  
Mrs. Pettit.....Chief of Ceremony  
Mrs. Brasseur.....Recorder  
Mrs. Connors.....Financier  
Mrs. Kelsey.....Treasurer  
J. De Nio.....Usher  
Mrs. Cassells.....Inner Guard  
H. E. Hite.....Outer Guard

The Yeomen of Gladstone will hold a grand joint installation of officers with the Yeomen of Escanaba Tuesday evening, January 3. A special car will be run for the use of the Gladstone Yeomen.

Any lodge which has not appeared in these returns is invited to send in a list of its new officers.

## DRUGGIST VS. DEPARTMENT STORES—ADVERTISEMENT.

It is with a source of pride that we learn the so-called professional man (the druggist) can be a merchant of the commodities of his line; and instead of going out of business, as has occurred to his brother druggists in many similar circumstances in our nearby cities, Mr. Stewart departs from the ethics of his profession and is willing to meet competition in a merchant's manner. He is so situated with his running expenses we see no reason why he should not reach his ambition to keep his store open with a drug sign in front.

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## CHRISTMAS, 1910. NEW YEAR'S, 1911.

### The Season's Greetings

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## A Merry Christmas

By your own fireside or that of loved ones; a pleasant holiday season, with a heart filled with good will to all mankind; a cheerful countenance, lit by the Christmas candles and shining brighter than all of them; a thankful retrospect of the labor and successes of this parting year, and the confident expectancy of an auspicious and continuing

## A Happy New Year

Is our wish for YOU, our friend.

**THE HUB**  
LEWIN & JACOBS, Props.



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GLADSTONE MICHIGAN

Circumstances and lawyers alter cases.

Anyway, the unwritten law seems to have a lot written about it.

We are a good deal happier because of a lot of things we don't know.

Without the shedding of blood there seems to be no way of conquering the air.

Brag about a girl to her female friends if you would discover her faults.

The Seine seems to have acquired the Ohio river habit in getting over banks.

If you can't get what you want why don't you quit wanting it? It is merely a state of mind.

When the doctor tells a man to diet, the patient proceeds to refuse all the things he dislikes.

A regular feature of the Monday morning papers is the list of dead and injured among Sunday autoists.

Laura Jean Libbey, who advocates the kissless courtship, is pushing the most unpopular propaganda on record.

It is alleged as proof of a New York man's insanity that he was no good at bridge whist. This is very Gotham-esque.

Our idea of a strong minded woman is one who insists that she would rather have her clothes comfortable than fashionable.

A new card game popular in England is called "Dabbit." It should be explained that many Englishmen have chronic colds.

A boy committed suicide because he was compelled to give up school. It is not feared that there will be many cases of this sort.

Don't blame the faithful hen for rots, spots, leaks or specks. Her part of the work was all right. The storage companies did the rest.

A scientist who recently tried to hypnotize a dog was bitten by the animal. He should have begun by making the dog believe it had no teeth.

Doctor Wiley advises against cold-storage turkey. That is very well, but he should first break that handsome bird of indulging in the cold-storage habit.

An English peer is to marry an East Indian princess. This precedent once established, may introduce dangerous competition in the matrimonial title market for American heiresses.

A Chicago woman refuses to pay for photographs which she recently had taken, because she thinks they make her look too old. The photographer should hasten to get a new retoucher.

A tree trimmer who had to look up all the time in his work has gone insane. That ought to be a warning to those enthusiastic persons who spend most of their time on the aviation field.

With a string of aviators touring the country like a circus, possibly it won't be long before we see the sky fenced off with canvas and young hopefuls climbing in under the clouds to see the show.

A man says that he is going to start a paper in New York that will be free from the faults of the other journals there. It ought not to be hard to start one, but keeping it going is apt to be uphill work.

People ought to clean house often. Now here's a New York man had an old trunk kicking about the house for five years before he opened it and found that somebody had carelessly left a dead person in it.

English lords who object to the use of American dollars in the British campaign will have the full sympathy of French counts and German barons, who think American dollars should be devoted to the securing of personal pleasure only.

News from different portions of the Aleutian region indicates that there have been great volcanic activity and earthquake shocks in that quarter. The disturbances continued for four days. This information affords fresh evidence that the scientists are correct in regarding the neighborhood of Alaska as a center of remarkable seismic activity.

A big mackerel jumped aboard a schooner in Massachusetts waters and provided a good breakfast for the crew. The rivalry of the Ananias Club has apparently not hurt the vitality of the familiar fish-story tellers.

The suggestion is made that a good way to conserve the forests would be to use cement and steel to build with instead of lumber. This might conserve the forests, but it would not conserve either the iron ore and coal supplies or the builders' bank accounts.

## ANNUAL ROAD REPORT ISSUED

For the First Time It Precedes Session of Legislature.

### IS DOUBLE-JOINTED AFFAIR

It Shows Work of Department From December 31, 1908 Until June 30, 1910 as Well as From July 1, 1909 Until June 30, 1910.

Lansing.—The most important report ever issued by the state highway commission and a report issued for the first time to just precede the session of the legislature, was distributed.

Former reports have always been made in calendar years and as a result were never away from the printers until the legislative sessions were well along. The present report is really a double-jointed affair. It gives a history of the department's work from December 31, 1908, to July 1, 1910, as well as the annual report from July 1, 1909, to June 30, 1910. Succeeding reports will cover the same fiscal year.

According to the 1910 report, state reward was paid on approximately 187 miles of road, about equally divided between stone, macadam and gravel. During the same length of time the department received applications for reward for 232 miles of road. From the organization of the department to the beginning of the last fiscal year, 341.09 miles of state reward road were built, \$254,126 paid and a total of \$261,136.75 reward money was still pending. Last year 204,378 miles were constructed and \$137,327 paid in rewards. Meridian was the only township in Ingham county building state reward roads last year. The township expended \$2,079.23 for 1,160 miles and received a reward of \$530 from the state. One of the principal features of the report which is filled with interesting tables, is the table which shows just exactly what each township did in state reward road construction last season, as well as the money expended and received. Since the state reward law became effective, Ingham county has built 5,160 miles of state reward roads and received \$3,580 from the state. Lansing township received \$2,500 in reward money.

The heavy work of preparing the report was performed by Chief Clerk Randall and road experts who have inspected the report, declare it is by far the most valuable publication the department has given out.

**High Tax Rate for Corporations.**  
Lansing.—While it is well known that the railroads propose to present to the legislature a mass of data to show that their property is not assessed fairly and equally with other property, there are those who are wondering what the next step by the corporations will be, in view of the fact that the legislature cannot very well relieve them from paying another tax on the same basis, even if the lawmakers are so inclined. The state tax commission is at present at work ascertaining the total assessed valuation of general property in the state, and the total taxes assessed. The figures determine the tax rate which will be used to assess the property of the railroads and telephone and telegraph companies the first of the year. The tentative assessment has to be completed, under the law, by the fifteenth of January, and the legislature will hardly be acquainted with the ways to their seats by that time, which indicates the corporations will not secure relief by that method, at least, for another year.

It is well known that last spring the railroads seriously considered instituting legal proceedings against the taxes as assessed, but finally decided to defer action. A little later the telephone companies began suits, which are still before the courts, and some state officials surmise that along with a strong showing to the legislature that general property is not assessed up to the standard of corporation property, the railroads will announce a determination to contest in the courts the tax assessed against their properties.

**Not Much Danger of Typhoid.**  
State Analyst Robison of the dairy and food department visited the fruit store to ascertain if there was danger of a typhoid contagion through the sale of fruit, from the two cases in the family of Ralph Tore, living up stairs.

Mr. Robison stated that in his opinion the typhoid cases were isolated sufficiently so that the danger of spreading the disease by the fruit was very remote. Nevertheless, Sanitary Inspector Carpenter and Mr. Robison left directions for renovating the place and will keep tab on the proprietor to see that he observes the directions.

**Michigan Pensions.**  
The following Michigan pensions have been granted: George F. Ames, \$10; David Archev, \$15; John Cameron, \$24; Christian Cook, \$30; Sarah L. Fuller, \$12; Israel Hill, \$24; James Knauss, \$17; John T. McCoun, \$20; Oscar Marsh, \$30; Lydia J. Reynolds, \$12; George A. Richards, \$15; John D. Russell, \$24; Mary A. Scott, \$15; Lynds A. Spencer, \$15; Jennie Stedje, \$12; Bessie Storr, \$12; Edward Sumner, \$15; Lewis H. Van Antwerp, \$30; minors of Lewis C. Vogts, \$12; Mary A. Adams, \$12.

## State Fair Men Look to Detroit.

Secretary J. E. Hannan of the Michigan State Fair association says that the attendants at the recent Chicago meeting of the American Associated Fair associations were much impressed with the manner in which the Michigan fair handled its transportation facilities last year, and also were much interested in the "coin" system which superseded the old ticket system.

"The American Associated Fair association is made up of representatives of 33 state boards," said Mr. Hannan. "We get together every year to exchange ideas and get pointers. Last year State Railway Commissioner George W. Dickinson handled our transportation problem, and we hope and expect that he will do it again. The secretaries of the New York and Indiana fairs were so pleased with the way we received and shipped out goods that they have promised to send on their live stock exhibits again next year.

"I think several of the state fair managements will take up the matter of getting a railway commissioner to handle their transportation problems. An official can do it much easier and better than a private citizen.

"We are fortunate in the date we have selected for our next fair, fortunate in more ways than one. We will begin September 18 and continue ten days or two weeks. During the week of September 11, the Kansas, Indiana, New York, Wisconsin, Kentucky and London, Ont., fairs will be under way. The exhibitors at these places will be at liberty when we begin operations and we will have for opposition only the Hutchinson (Kan.) fair and the Sioux City stock show."

### Looks Like War in Beet Industry.

The first steps towards an organized effort to secure a higher price for sugar beets from the Michigan sugar factories were taken when the Michigan Sugar Beet Growers' association was formed by growers from Shiawassee, Tuscola, Saginaw, Lapeer, Genesee, Gratiot, Isabella and Bay counties. The territory included in these counties covers the acreage of all the sugar factories in eastern Michigan, including Owosso, but not Lansing. The growers will demand \$5.50 per ton for beets testing 12 per cent. sugar and 40 cents for each additional one per cent. of sugar content, as against \$4.50 and 33 1/3 cents.

Herman Horton of Bay county, was elected president; J. N. McBride, Shiawassee, and George Ridgeman, Tuscola, vice-presidents; M. S. Babcock, Bay, secretary, and E. B. Cook, Shiawassee, treasurer.

E. F. Tyrell of Detroit, field manager of the Cleaners' Co-operative union, appears to have been the man who was behind the organizing move. He told the farmers that he had interviewed General Manager Wallace of the Michigan Sugar company, which controls six factories out of the 16 in the state, and that the latter had declared the sugar plants would shut down before any increase asked was granted.

### Demand Settlement Cash.

The most discussed topic in the statehouse is the bills of Otto Kirschner, attorney from Detroit, and Thomas E. Barkworth, attorney from Jackson, for \$25,000 each for legal services in connection with the celebrated railroad charter and tax cases. These two bills are supposed to be the last payment to the two attorneys for their services in connection with the two cases.

When the bills were presented to the state board of auditors the members sat up and took notice, for they were ill-prepared to meet such an obligation with a depleted treasury, and there are many important questions involved in the settlement of these bills. Secretary of State Martindale and Land Commissioner Russell, two of three members of the state board of auditors, think the bills are exorbitant, and say they will oppose payment.

According to the record on file in the auditors' department, on April 27, 1904, at a meeting of the state board of auditors, which at that time was composed of Secretary of State Fred M. Warner, State Treasurer Daniel McCoy and State Land Commissioner Edwin A. Wilden, a communication was directed to the cost of the railroad cases of which the state was a party, the allowances to that date on account of the cases amounting to \$58,671.50.

### Condensed Milk for Ice Cream.

Lansing.—"The use of condensed milk is a recent innovation in ice cream manufacture," said President J. F. Kelley of Grand Rapids in his address before the Michigan Association of Ice Cream Manufacturers. "There is nothing more sanitary than the manufacture of condensed milk, and now about 75 per cent. of the ice cream in the United States is largely composed of condensed milk. Condensed milk makes a dryer cream, which does not become coarse grained. The use of condensed milk is not to cheapen the manufacture, but rather to improve the grade of the product."

### Osborn's Official Majority 43,033.

Following are the official election returns as finally compiled by the state board of election canvassers: Constitutional amendment: Yes, 131,147; no, 128,729. Governor: Osborn, (Rep.), 202,803; Hemans, (Dem.), 159,770; Corbett (Pro.), 9,986; Warnock, (So.), 9,992; Richter, (Soc. Lab.), 1,204. Osborn's plurality, 43,033. Justice supreme court: Bird, (Rep.), 223,708.

## MICHIGAN BREVITIES

Lansing.—"You have no idea of the number of applications for positions I am receiving," said Auditor General Fuller. "Look at the piles of letters; there are three of them, and the larger pile represents applications received in the morning's mail." Other state departments are in the same position, evidently, according to the heads of the departments. There are thousands of applications being received this year for positions. It is hardly probable, however, that many will be appointed, as most of the state officers who have the appointing power are loath to dispense with the services of clerks who have been in the department for years.

Coldwater.—George W. Langs, aged thirty-two, living ten miles southwest of Coldwater, was sentenced by Judge Yapple to spend 50 days in the jail or pay a fine of \$150 and costs for the illegal practice of medicine. Langs will serve the jail sentence.

Bay City.—Rev. Levi R. Lupton, who recently came into the limelight by making a sensational confession to his congregation in Alliance, O., founded the village of Lupton, near Rose City, 18 years ago. He established a new sect of the "gift-of-tongue" brand, but a split occurred and he left.

Jackson.—Mrs. Guy Cortwright, formerly Ruth Ryan of Lansing, caused to be issued a warrant for her husband, alleging bigamy. She charged Cortwright married a Jackson girl named Hazel B. Barrows six months previous to their marriage, which occurred in November. Cortwright is in jail.

Cadillac.—Benjamin Welch, twenty-three, and James Billings, twenty-five, are being held on their confession that they robbed the post office in Yuma a few hours before half the town was wiped out by fire.

Cadillac.—Isaac Bradley, wanted in Forest, Wis., for slaying a man, was captured in a lumber camp near this city and is on his way back to face the charge.

Corunna.—William Graham, thirty, died of typhoid fever, his brother, Duncan, is seriously ill of the same disease, and their father, Duncan Graham, Sr., is believed to be dying as a result of a long illness and shock of being told of his son's death, which was entirely unexpected.

Charlotte.—Asa Benedict of Vermontville is ninety-four years old, and has not missed voting in 73 years.—Mrs. Jessie Otto Pearce, a former Charlotte girl, now wife of a mining engineer living in Mexico, writes that reports of the revolution have been greatly exaggerated.

Saginaw.—Michael Zanders fell 12 feet from a roof and died the next day from injuries received. He leaves a widow and three children.—Peter Gross, seventy-seven, and engaged in the pottery business in this city for over forty years, is dead of ailments due to old age. He is survived by three children.

Saginaw.—Dr. G. L. Alger, who was stricken with smallpox, has recovered. He has been discharged from quarantine.

Union City.—Peter Burgett, seventy-eight, engineer of the first freight train hauled over the Air Line division of the Michigan Central railroad, dropped dead from heart failure. He leaves a widow and three sons.

Marshall.—All the Knights of Pythias lodges in this section of the state will hold a big rally in Albion January 3, when the degrees will be conferred by grand lodge officers.

Negaunee.—The remains of Mrs. Joseph Fay, wife of a Marquette liveryman, who died eleven years ago, were disinterred and found to be petrified. The body weighs about 600 pounds.

Port Huron.—Rev. F. W. Dietz, for 22 years pastor of St. Martin's German Lutheran church here, has tendered his resignation to accept a call to a church near Toledo.—Contractors have abandoned work on the Lake Huron canal, which this city decided to construct eleven years ago, and many citizens think that the proposed waterway connecting Lake Huron and Black River for the purpose of making Black River pure, will never be a reality.

Hastings.—With the intention of providing a scholarship fund for worthy students, who have no means for continuing their education after they have graduated from the Hastings high school, the members of the junior class intend to hold various entertainments for raising part of the required amount. Subscriptions will also be solicited. The scholarship will be incorporated under the state law, and will be controlled by five responsible adults.

Owosso.—Ladies of the Modern Macabees in Morrice have disbanded and heavy assessments imposed by recent rulings are said to be the cause.—The oldest house in Bannister, which had been the home of John Riley, an aged insurance man, for 20 years, burned. His wife died two years ago and he risked his life in a dash into the burning building to save keepsakes left by her.

Port Huron.—James Nolan and William Lashbrook of Wales, dismantled the blacksmith shop of William Woods, and threw the equipment into the road, and were arrested. Nearly the whole village of Wales is here attending the trial of the cases, and most of them are related by marriage or otherwise.

Flint.—Mrs. Polly Hurd, aged 57, widow of Byron P. Hurd, the veteran hotel man, died here. She had been an invalid for 75 years. Since her husband's death in 1906 she had conducted the Crystal house here. No immediate relatives survive.

## POULTRY



### TWELVE-DOLLAR HEN HOUSE

Serviceable Shelter is Constructed Out of Sod, Straw, Corn Fodder and Earth.

What results would you expect from 75 hens wintered in a coop of this cost? I had 75 May-hatched pullets in winter, says a writer in Rural New Yorker. I built a coop 12x18 feet, inside measurement. The material was sod for the sides; the roof was straw, covered with corn fodder; the floor, Nature's deodorizer, natural earth. I first selected a well sheltered location, then proceeded by setting



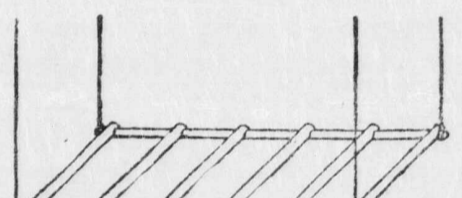
Twelve-Dollar Hen House.

three crotches, each crotch set three feet deep. This for the peak of my roof. Next I set ordinary six-foot fence posts on sides four feet apart, two feet deep, leaving sides of coop four feet high, plenty high enough for sides of any coop. Then I spiked poles on to those fence posts on top, and nailed on small poles on side posts; laid poles in those center crotches, then laid poles from post plate to crotch poles for rafters, and my frame was complete. I put in a window frame of plank on south side 2x8 feet, covered same with muslin curtain (no glass); put door in east end. I cut sod and sodded up sides; put a little brush crosswise for rafter poles, covered with straw and shingled with corn fodder. The foundation of my coop is raised slightly so water runs away from it, which is very important. So my labor and all would amount to about \$12. I put pullets in coop in December and they soon began laying. In January, February, March and April I averaged close to five dozen eggs per day. My income was a little better than one dollar per day, clear of feed; and they have continued laying well all summer till molting this fall. Now they are through the molt and are going right into the egg producing business again.

### HANGING ROOST FOR CHICKS

Suspended From Ceiling by Means of Wires They Are Convenient in Cleaning Houses.

It is often convenient to have roosts hung from the ceiling of the poultry house in order to facilitate cleaning. In the style illustrated herewith, the roosts themselves are laid on a frame as shown, says Farm and Home. At each end the roosts are notched so as to fit in notches on the two poles and thus prevent slipping. The whole thing is hung by four stout wires from the center of the pen so as to be within 2 feet of the floor; or it may be hung toward one corner. In



Hanging Roost.

this case, at least 2 feet should be allowed between the frame and the wall so the attendant can easily walk all around. For cleaning, the roosts may be disconnected and carried out of doors. Preferably also, the poles should rest in loops of the wire, so that the whole thing may be removed without difficulty.

## POULTRY NOTES

A load of coarse sand is good for the chickens. Be sure the houses are all free from lice and filth.

If you want your hens to lay during the cold months they must be given food rich in egg material.

Cures of poultry troubles lie in preventing sickness in the flock and not in curing the disease or disorder.

Hens fed on one kind of grain exclusively will not lay as satisfactory as those that have been fed a variety of grains.

Oats make an excellent grain for laying hens. They furnish the essential food element without increasing the fat on the hen.

Give the hens good feed, clean water, a good dust bath and clean, airy, comfortable quarters, and the egg supply is reasonably certain.

Separate the cockerels from the pullets. They are of an earthly use, but on the contrary do harm. They should be castrated or sent to market.

Alfalfa hay, if cut in the bloom, is fine for chickens to pick over during the winter months. They will get more at less cost from ground alfalfa.

If your chicken-house faces north, board up the openings and transfer them to the south side and make them big enough to allow the sunshine to flood the floor.

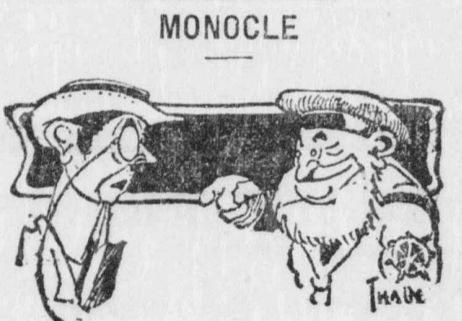
## THE CENSUS OF CANADA

ITS GROWTH IN TEN YEARS PAST.

A census of the Dominion of Canada will be made during 1911. It will show that during the past decade a remarkable development has taken place, and, when compared with the population, a greater percentage of increase in industries of all kinds than has ever been shown by any country. Commerce, mining, agriculture and railways have made a steady march onward. The population will be considerably over 8,000,000. Thousands of miles of railway lines have been constructed since the last census was taken ten years ago. This construction was made necessary by the opening up of the new agricultural districts in Western Canada, in which there have been pouring year after year an increasing number of settlers, until the present year will witness settlement of over 300,000, or a trifle less than one-third of the immigration to the United States during the same period with its 32,000,000 of population. Even with these hundreds of thousands of newcomers, the great majority of whom go upon the land, there is still available room for hundreds of thousands additional. The census figures will therefore show a great—a vast—increase in the number of farms under occupation, as well as in the output of the farms. When the figures of the splendid immigration are added to the natural increase, the total will surprise even the most optimistic. To the excellent growth that the western portion of Canada will show may largely be attributed the commercial and industrial growth of the eastern portion of Canada. All Canada is being upbuilt, and in this transformation there is taking part the people from many countries, but only from those countries that produce the strong and vigorous. As some evidence of the growth of the western portion of Canada, in agricultural industry, it is instructive to point out that over 100,000 homesteads of 160 acres each have been transferred to actual settlers in the past two years. This means 25,000 square miles of territory, and then, when is added the 40,000 160-acre pre-emption blocks, there is an additional 10,000 square miles, or a total of 35,000 square miles—a territory as large as the State of Indiana, and settled within two years. Reduced to the producing capacity imperative on the cultivation restriction of 60 acres of cultivation on each 160-acre homestead within three years, there will be within a year and a half from now upwards of 5,000,000 additional acres from this one source added to the entire producing area of the Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

In 1901, at the time of the last census of Canada, successful agriculture in the Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta was an experiment to many. There were skeptics who could not believe that it was possible to grow thirty, forty and even fifty bushels of wheat to the acre, or that as high as one hundred and thirty bushels of oats to the acre could be grown. The skeptics are not to be found today. The evidence of the hundreds of thousands of farmers is too overwhelming. Not only have the lands of western Canada proven their worth in the matter of raising all the smaller field grains, but for mixed farming, and for cattle raising there is no better country anywhere. The climate is perfectly adapted to all these pursuits as well as admirable for health. The Dominion government literature, descriptive of the country, is what all that are interested should read. Send for a copy to the nearest Canadian government representative.

**MONOCLE**  
Cholly Glim—Beg pardon, my good man, but how can I find the customs office?  
Jack Tar—I'll tell ye, mate; shift yer lantern from starboard to port and foller the twist in yer face.  
The Way of Life.  
It is being said of an elderly man in business in Atchison: "He can't stand punishment as he formerly could." And there is punishment to be endured in making a living; don't forget it. Look over your own experience, and you will detect punishment every hour of the day. If it isn't at home, it is on the street car or on the road. How many ways there are to punish a man who tries his best to get along and behave himself. And after a man gets old it is more evident every year that the poor fellow can't stand punishment as he could when he was younger.—Atchison Globe.



**Ill-Mannered Chicken.**  
Little Robert, 8 years of age, went with his grandmother to the chicken park to see her feed the chickens. When the little ones jumped upon the water dish and dipped their bills into the water, he cried: "Oh, grandmother, they are putting their feet on the table."

Many who used to smoke 10c cigars now buy Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c.

Occasionally a crooked path leads to a straight-jacket.



# Balthasar



IN those days Balthasar, called Saracen by the Grecians, reigned over Ethiopia. He was black but comely, simple of mind and generous of heart. In the third year of his reign, which was the twenty-second of his age, he went to visit Balkis, queen of Sheba, accompanied by the mage Sembobitis and by the eunuch Menkera. He had a train of seventy-five camels, with loads of cinnamon, myrrh, gold powder and elephants' tusks. While they were journeying Sembobitis would teach Balthasar the influence of the

planets and the secret virtues of stones, and Menkera would sing liturgic songs to him; but he was not listening to them, being all intent upon looking at the little jackals who were sitting, with ears erect, on the sandy horizon.

At last, after a march of twelve long days, Balthasar and his companions smelt a sweet smell of roses and they soon gazed upon the gardens which surrounded the town of Sheba.

There they met young maidens who were dancing under blossoming pomegranates.

When they came into the town they were amazed at the size of storerooms, sheds and workyards, which were stretching in front of them, as well as at the large quantity of merchandise stored in them. For a long time they walked along streets thronged with chariots, porters, donkeys and donkey drivers, until the marble walls, the purple tents, the gold cupolas of Balkis' palace came into view.

The queen of Sheba received them in a court cooled with fountains of perfumed water which fell in pearly streams with a clear-ringing sound. She was standing in bejeweled robes and she was smiling.

When he saw her Balthasar was deeply troubled. She appeared to him sweeter than a sweet dream.

"My lord," Sembobitis muttered to him, "be careful to conclude a good treaty of commerce with the queen."

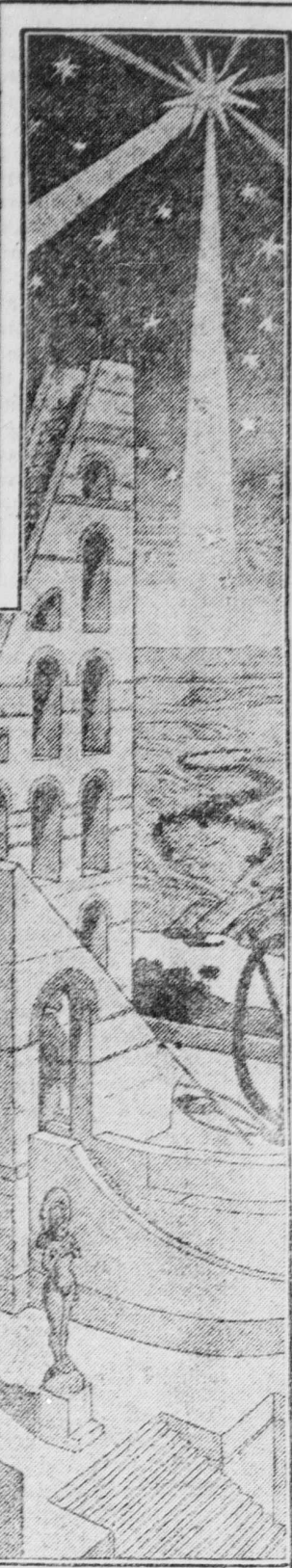
"Take heed, my lord," said Menkera, "for she is said to use magic in winning the hearts of men."

Then, after bowing very low, the mage and the eunuch retired.

Balthasar, when he was alone with Balkis, opened his mouth, in an attempt to speak, but



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an evil and since Balkis is a wicked woman."

"To be wise is to be happy," answered Sembobitis.

"Then I will try to be wise," said Balthasar. "But let us return at once to Ethiopia. And, as he had lost all that he loved, he resolved to devote himself to wisdom and to become a mage. He had a tower built, from the top of which one could see several kingdoms and the vast expanse of the heavens. He used to go to its top every night, there to study the heavens under the direction of the sage Sembobitis.

"Sembobitis," he would say, "dost thou answer on thy head for the accuracy of my horoscopes?"

And the sage Sembobitis would reply:

"My lord, science is infallible, but savants are not."

Balthasar, who had a fine natural genius, would say:

"Divine truth is the only truth, but it is hidden from us and we seek it in vain. And yet I have just discovered a new star in the heavens. It is a beautiful star, which seems as if it were living, and, when it scintillates, it looks like some heavenly eye looking kindly down upon men. I sometimes even imagine that the star is speaking to me. Blessed shall be he who shall be born under that star!"

### V.

But it had been noised abroad, through the whole extent of Ethiopia and through the neighboring kingdoms that Balthasar was no longer in love with Balkis.

When the news reached Sheba, Balkis resented it bitterly. She commanded her grand vizier to get everything ready for a journey to Ethiopia.

"We shall start this very night," she said, "and thou shalt lose thy head if everything is not ready before the sun sinks to rest."

And when she was alone she burst into sobs.

"I love him and he loves me not!" she cried in all sincerity.

Then one night Balthasar, who was on the top of his tower, observing the miraculous star, saw on looking down toward the earth, a long black line winding along the sands of the desert, like an army of ants.

As the caravan came nearer Balthasar saw distinctly the bright scimitars and the black horses of the queen's guards.

Then he saw her also; and he was troubled amazingly, and he felt that he was going to love her again. The star was shining in the zenith with marvelous brilliancy. Beneath, Balkis, in her litter of purple and gold, looked quite small, and she also shone like a star.

Balthasar felt drawn toward her as if by some irresistible force. But, turning his face from her with a great effort and lifting up his eyes, he saw the star again, and the star spoke and said:

"Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth to men of good will!"

"Take thou a measure of myrrh, sweet King Balthasar, and follow me, and I shall lead thee to the Child who has just been born in a stable between a donkey and an ox."

"For that Child is the King of Kings, and he will comfort those who wish to be comforted."

"He calls thee, Balthasar, whose mind is still as dark as thy visage, but whose heart is simple, even as the heart of a child."

"He has chosen thee because thou hast suffered, and he will give thee riches, joy and love."

"He will say to thee: be poor and rejoice in thy poverty, for that is indeed true riches. He will say: true joy lies in the renunciation of joy; love me and love men because of me for I am the only true love."

At these words peace divine shone like a bright light on the dark face of the king.

Queen Balkis, looking up toward Balthasar, knew that no love for her could fill that heart now full of love divine, and, turning, she ordered her caravan back to Sheba.

When the star ceased to speak the king and his two companions came down from the tower, and having procured a measure of myrrh, they formed a caravan and followed the star which went before them.

One day, being at a place where three roads met, they saw two kings who were coming with long trains of followers. One of them was young and white of face. He greeted Balthasar and said:

"My name is Gaspar; I am a king and I am taking a present of gold to the Child who has been born in Bethlehem of Judea."

The second king also approached. He was an old man and his white beard flowed to his girdle.

"My name is Melchior," he said. "I am a king and I am taking a present of frankincense to the Divine Child who has come to teach truth to men."

"I am going thither also," said Balthasar. "I have vanquished my lust and therefore did the star speak unto me."

"I," said Melchior, "have vanquished my pride and therefore was I called."

"I," said Gaspar, "have vanquished my cruelty and therefore do I go with you."

And, lo, the star which they saw in the east went before them till it came and stood over where the young Child was.

When they saw the star they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house they saw the young Child with Mary his mother, and fell down and worshipped him; and when they had opened their treasures they presented unto him gifts: gold, and frankincense, and myrrh—as it is said in the gospel.

"There is a beggar," she said, "lying against the wall of the palace. Give him your clothes and ask him to give you, in exchange, his turban of camel's hair and the coarse cloth which girdles his loins. Make haste while I get ready."

And she ran out of the banquet hall, clapping her hands for joy. Balthasar took off his tunic made of fine linen and all embroidered with gold, and tied the beggar's cloth round his loins. He looked a true slave. The queen soon reappeared in the seamless blue gown of the poor women who worked in the fields.

"Let us go!" she said, and led Balthasar through narrow lobbies down to a small gate.

At the same moment some brigands happened to pass by and saw the two lying on the moss. Then they tied them to the tail of a donkey and went along their way with them.

The black king was hurling threats of death at them, but Balkis, although slightly shivering in the cold air of dawn, seemed to smile at some inward thought.

They walked through barren solitudes until the heat of the day began to make itself felt. She was now laughing, and the brigand chief having asked her the reason why, she replied:

"I am laughing at the thought of having you all hanged."

"Truly, my beauty!" exclaimed the brigand chief, "that is strange talk in the mouth of a scrubber of pots! And your black gallant? he will probably help you?"

On hearing these insulting words, Balthasar was incensed with rage, he threw himself upon the brigand and squeezed his neck so hard that he nearly strangled him.

But the brigand stuck his knife into him, and the poor king, rolling on the ground, looked at Balkis with eyes in which all life soon seemed to be extinct.

### III.

But now there came a big roar of armed horsemen and Balkis saw brave Abner who, at the head of her guards, came to release his queen, of whose mysterious disappearance he had heard the day before.

The mage Sembobitis and Menkera the eunuch who were standing by Abner's side gave a loud cry when they saw their prince lying motionless with a knife in his side. They raised him with the utmost care. Sembobitis, who was well versed in medical science, saw that he was still breathing. He dressed the wound while Menkera wiped the froth from the king's lips. Then they tied him on a horse and bore him gently to the queen's palace.

For a space of fifteen days Balthasar remained in a state of mad delirium. He spoke continually of the brass pot and of the moss in the torrent bed, and cried out for Balkis. On the sixteenth day, having opened his eyes, he saw Sembobitis and Menkera by his bedside, but he did not see the queen.

"Where is she? What is she doing?"

"My lord," said Menkera, "she is in private conversation with the king of Comagene."

"I must see her!" cried Balthasar.

And he rushed out toward the queen's apartment before the old man and the eunuch could stop him. When he came near the bed chamber he saw the king of Comagene coming out of it, all bedecked with gold and as bright as the sun.

Balkis, lying on a purple bed, with closed eyes, was smiling.

"Oh Balkis! Oh my own!" cried Balthasar. She turned a cold and hard gaze on him, and he saw that she had forgotten everything, and he reminded her of that night in the torrent bed.

"I really do not know what you mean, my lord. Palm wine agrees not with you. You must have been a-dreaming."

She rose to her feet and the gems in her gown clashed like hailstones and shone like lightning.

"My lord," she said, "now is the time when my privy council must assemble. I have no leisure for explaining the dreams of a diseased brain. Take some rest. Adieu!"

Balthasar felt as if he was going to die, but he made an effort to hide his weakness from the wicked woman, and, flying to his room, he fainted, his wound having opened again.

### IV.

For three weeks he remained insensible, as if dead, and on the twenty-second day, when he came back to life again, he clasped the hand of Sembobitis, who, together with Menkera, had been watching over him, and he said, with tears: "Oh! my friends, how happy you both are! But no! There is no happiness at all in this world, and everything in it is bad, since love is



he could not utter a word, and he thought to himself: "The queen will be angry at my silence."

But the queen was still smiling and did not look angry.

She spoke first and said, in a voice sweeter than music:

"Be welcome and sit down."

And, with a finger which looked like a ray of light, she beckoned him to some purple cushions on the floor.

Balthasar sat down, sighed a big sigh, and seizing hold of a cushion with each hand, he exclaimed hurriedly:

"Madame, I wish these two cushions were giants and your enemies, so that I might wring their necks."

And, speaking thus, he squeezed the cushions so hard in his clenched fists that they burst, letting out a cloud of white down. One of the little feathers whirled round in the air for some time and then alighted on the queen's neck.

"My lord Balthasar," said Balkis, blushing, "why do you want to kill giants?"

"Because I love you," said Balthasar.

"Tell me," said Balkis, "is the water of wells sweet in your capital?"

"Yes," answered Balthasar, much surprised.

"I also would like to know," resumed Balkis, "how they prepare dried fruits in Ethiopia."

The king did not know what to say; but she pressed him:

"Tell me, now, if you would please me."

Then, with a great effort of memory, he described the practise of Ethiopian makers of sweets, which consisted of stewing quinces in honey. But she was not listening to him. Then, all of a sudden:

"My lord, they say that you are in love with Queen Candace, your neighbor. Tell me truly, is she fairer of face than I?"

"Oh! Madam, how could that be?"—and Balthasar fell on his knees at Balkis' feet.

The queen continued: "Then, her eyes? . . . her mouth? . . . her complexion?"

Balthasar, stretching a hand toward her, said:

"Let me take the little feather which has

alighted on your neck, and I will give you one-half of my kingdom, with the sage Sembobitis and Menkera, the eunuch into the bargain."

But she got up and ran away laughing a clear-ringing laugh.

That evening Balthasar had supper with the queen of Sheba and drank palm wine.

"So, really," said Balkis during the supper, "Queen Candace is not so fair of face as I am?"

"Queen Candace is black," answered Balthasar.

Balkis glanced at Balthasar and said:

"One can be black and comely."

"Balkis!" exclaimed the king. . . .

He could say no more. Seizing her in his embrace he held the queen's forehead beneath his lips. But he saw that she was weeping. Then he spoke to her in a low, caressing, lightly singing voice, as a nurse would to her babe, and he called her his little flower and his little star.

"Why dost thou weep?" said he, "and what must I do that thou mayest weep no more? If thou hast any wish, tell it me, and I shall do even as thou wishest."

She had ceased weeping, and now she was in a dreamy mood. For a long time he pressed her to tell him her wish.

At last she said:

"I wish to feel fear."

As Balthasar did not seem to understand, she explained to him that for a long time she had been wishing to be exposed to some unknown danger, but that she could not, because both the men and the gods of Sheba were watching over her.

"And yet," she added with a sigh, "I should so like to feel, during the night, the cold and delightful thrill of fear go through my flesh! I should so like to feel my hair stand on end! Oh! how delightful it would be to be afraid!"

She threw her arms round the neck of the black king and said, in the voice of a beseeching child:

"Here is night coming down upon us. Let us both go through the town in disguise. Will you not come?"

He assented and she, running to the window, looked through the lattice into the public square.

ing lamp, through the thick atmosphere of the place, reeking brutes fighting with fists or knives for a cup of fermented drink, while others slept, with closed fists, under the tables.

Balkis, perceiving some salt fish hanging from the rafters of the roof, said to her companion:

"I should like to eat of that salt fish with pounded onions."

Balthasar ordered the dish, but when she had finished eating, he discovered that he had taken no money with him. He took little concern and thought they could go out without paying. But the innkeeper barred their way, calling him a slave and calling her a donkey, at which Balthasar knocked him down with his fist. Some of the men, with uplifted knives, rushed upon the two strangers. But the black king, seizing hold of an enormous pestle used for pounding Egyptian onions, crushed two of his aggressors and compelled the others to retreat. He felt Balkis by his side, which made him invincible. The friends of the innkeeper, not daring to approach, hurled at him, from the back of the shop, oil jars and cups, lighted lamps, and even the enormous brass pot wherein a whole sheep was stewing. The pot fell with a crash on Balthasar's head and split it. He was stunned for an instant, but, gathering up his strength, he hurled the pot back with such vigor that the weight of it was increased tenfold. The crash of the falling metal was mingled with horrible groans, and with the shrieks of the dying. Taking advantage of the terror of the survivors and fearing lest Balkis should be hurt, Balthasar took her in his arms and ran with her through the dark and deserted streets.

"I love thee," whispered the queen.

And now the moon, peeping from behind a cloud, revealed, in Balkis' half-closed eyes, a ray of light damp with tears. They were going down the dry bed of a torrent. All of a sudden Balthasar's foot slipped on some moss and they fell down holding one another in a tight embrace. It seemed to them as if the world of the living had ceased to exist. And when at dawn gazelles came to drink from the hollows of the stones, the lovers were still wrapped in oblivion.



# DETECTIVE WIRELESS.

## A Chase After a Man With a Big Diamond.

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It was a put up job on the part of Merford, who hated me like poison. We had both worked together in the Kimberley mines, I as foreman, Merford with the pick. It was at this time that I detected him in an effort to carry out diamonds in his throat. I considered it my duty to report him.

Then came my big find. I was walking one day far from any mine with no more thought of diamonds than of doughnuts. One of my kids wasn't well, and I was out after fresh milk for him. I walked without finding what I wanted till I was tired, then sat down on a rock to rest. While sitting there my eye became fixed on a stone beside me about the size of a walnut.

Now, I had been working in diamond mines for ten years. Many's the stone I have thrown out with my pick whose value would run from thousands to tens of thousands. As soon as I looked at this one I knew it for a prize, and yet I couldn't believe my eyes. Was it an outcropping of diamond soil or had some one dropped it there? I didn't stop to answer my own question—in fact, I didn't care. I looked at it carefully to make sure I wasn't deceived and put it in my pocket, certain that if I could get away with it I and my family would live, instead of working people, as swells all the rest of our lives.

And so we would had it not been for that most uncontrollable of all things—a woman's tongue. I confided my secret to my wife, enjoining her not to tell a single person, as her future depended on her secrecy. But when a woman is burning to tell a secret it's like a drunkard thirsting for liquor. Meg was so full of the fine future before us that she must needs tell just her own dear loving sister, who would rather die than injure her. The sister had a bosom friend from whom she could not possibly keep a secret. And so it went from one to another till it got to Jim Merford's wife.

I knew it by the devilish look in his eye the next time I met him. Going straight home, I told Meg to trace the secret as quickly as she could, and within an hour she confirmed my inference. Here was a pretty condition of things. Merford would take one of two courses—he would either accuse me of having stolen my big diamond from the mine in which I worked or he would move heaven and earth to get possession of it himself. With him ready to swear to anything against me I could never hold the stone in spite of the company's efforts to get it.

I had no time to fool away in considering—that is, if Merford decided to



"POSTERS STARED ME IN THE FACE"

accuse me to the company. He hadn't the secret an hour before I had borrowed—I hadn't the money to purchase—the best horse in the place and was galloping away. I knew that if I was wanted it would be supposed I had made for the coast in order to take ship and get out of the country.

It was a month after I had left with my diamond that I made up my mind to take the risk of getting across the Atlantic ocean. I knew I could manage it all right if it were not for the wireless telegraph. But what can a man do when an enemy traces him aboard a ship that requires from one to two weeks to get to her destination and can send word of her coming and order his arrest?

Procuring some ostrich eggs, I borrowed a calico dress and a sunbonnet and went into a town to sell the eggs. Posters stared me in the face that \$5,000 was offered by the company for my arrest. That was all I wanted to know, and I didn't stay in the town ten minutes. But I stuck to my woman's disguise. There were risks in appearing either as a man or as a woman. I concluded that so long as I didn't mingle much with people I was safer as a woman.

Well, to do a little skipping in my story, when the ship Unicorn sailed

from a port in the Transvaal for Southampton, England, on the passenger list was the name of Barton Dexter and wife. Two days after the vessel sailed a man stepped into the office of the agent of the diamond company and said that he knew where the man they wanted was. After securing papers that would give him the \$5,000 offered for my capture in case it came through his information, he told the agent that Barton Dexter was none other than Edward Michler—in other words, myself.

The case was at once put into the hands of a prominent detective agency, with instructions to see that the so called Dexter be arrested on arrival and held till an identifier arrived. The next morning an enterprising reporter sent a message to a New York paper giving the whole story.

And so the attention of the world was concentrated on a man and a woman in midocean on the British ship Unicorn, who had robbed the Kimberley mines of an immense diamond, but whose game was to be spoiled on his arrival at Southampton by a gentleman from Scotland Yard.

A hundred or more American newspapers wired passengers on board the Unicorn to send them news of Michler. I can't give all the items that were sent, but I will give a few from a single paper:

"Michler is a small, delicate man, with a feminine voice; his wife is rather masculine. It has got out on board that they are under suspicion, and they seem very much troubled. At first they were on deck the same as other passengers. Now they keep to their stateroom nearly all day."

"It is now pretty well determined that Michler in addition to being a diamond thief is eloping with another man's wife, or, rather, another man's wife is eloping with Michler, for no one would accuse so gentle a man of leading such a woman."

"While Michler and his wife were sitting on deck last night in a secluded corner suddenly a passenger flashed a match to light a cigar. Mrs. Michler was seen to thrust something under the folds of her dress. The case is being discussed in the smoking room, and some say that the diamond thieves will throw the stone overboard if arrested on the ship. All are interested to know how the officials will manage to take the diamond as well as the thieves."

"The Michlers today had a terrible quarrel. Passengers in staterooms near theirs heard Mrs. Michler say to her husband that if he did not settle a large sum of money on her after their arrival in New York she would inform on him to the police, whereupon he asked her if she wished the whole ship to know that they were diamond thieves."

"As we near port Michler and his wife are becoming more and more agitated. Mrs. Michler was yesterday found weeping by the room stewardess, who went into her stateroom for the purpose of making up the berths. It is not known whether the diamond thieves are aware that they are to be arrested on their arrival at Southampton or not. Every passenger on board is in the secret, but since it is a delicate matter to speak of to the parties concerned they are doubtless un-informed."

"The sea was very rough today, and Mrs. Michler, who is inclined to be seasick, kept her room all day. Michler was also affected, but he kept the deck. He was observed to go to the side of the ship for the purpose of relieving himself of his dinner. A passenger who was watching him says that a lump the size of a walnut was cast into the sea. In the smoking room they are now betting—odds 3 to 1—that this lump is the diamond. It indicates that the thieves have given up all hope of saving it and part with it to avoid its incriminating them."

"By Cable Off the Lizards.

"An inspector from Scotland Yard came aboard for the purpose of arresting the Michlers. To avoid being known as a detective he was dressed in the uniform of a British admiral. When the Michlers saw him Michler fainted. His wife ground her teeth and stood firm as a British tar on the deck of a battleship. The dramatic climax of an inspector dressed as an admiral putting his hand on a man's shoulder and saying 'I want you!' was spoiled by Michler's lying like a wet rag on the deck. The supposed admiral was obliged to lift his prisoner up by the collar."

"By Cable From Southampton.

"The Michler affair has collapsed. When taken ashore and examined Mrs. Michler was found to be the husband and Mr. Michler the wife. They proved their identity as a respectable married couple from Capetown. Scotland Yard is furious, it being supposed that the real diamond thief hired them to let it be supposed that they were carrying it to Southampton, while he took another ship for New York. But there is no proof of this."

This last item is true so far as it goes, but it doesn't tell all. I was the person who informed upon Michler and his wife. I found in Michler an old friend who was going home to England, confided in him and offered him a quarter interest in my diamond to fool the detectives. As soon as the world was agog over the diamond thieves on the Unicorn I slipped out of port with the diamond. I was disguised as a supernannated Jew.

The diamond was so shaped that in being cut it required to be made into two gems. It is not, therefore, one of the large gems of the world. But the smaller stone made Michler rich and the larger one made me richer. After it was sold I sent for my family and am now an American capitalist.

## Give and Take

The dry goods stores of the city will close Monday at noon. The groceries and butcher shops will not be opened.

The roller rink will be open on Monday afternoon and evening.

During the last summer considerable quantities of butter have been abstracted from Soo Line cars, and recently three tubs of sixty pounds each were stolen from five on the platform. The railroad detectives and Chief Murker have been working on the case, and on Tuesday Eugene Blair, the depot call boy, was arrested. He confessed to have taken the butter systematically and sold it to merchants here, representing himself as agent for a shipper. Taken before Justice Huber, he waived examination and was bound over to the circuit court in \$500 bonds, which he could not furnish. Search of his room at the depot revealed a surprising amount of merchandise, guns, jewelry, wearing apparel, etc. The boy was brought up in Gladstone and has always borne a good reputation; his arrest was the surprise of the week. He is not yet of age, and his revelations, it is hinted, may implicate many much older. The Soo Line annually handles an immense amount of valuable merchandise through its docks, depot and yards here, practically unprotected. Small thefts, so petty as not to be noticed, have been the rule, than the exception. From this the lure of easy money has led to greater depredations. Again and again a shakeup has taken place, followed by the gradual resumption of these practices. Temptation is daily in the way of hundreds of employees and detection seems remote. Merchants have complained that a case of goods seldom comes untouched from the consigners. The popular feeling, that there is a great difference between the relations of a wealthy corporation and those of individuals to their fellow citizens has much to do with this, and the lack of safeguards which should be thrown around valuables have an inevitable result. The sympathy for the boy who has been thus led astray, is only tempered by the general appreciation of his folly in attempting depredations so easily discovered.

During the month of December I will make you a special price on Pianos, Organs, or other instruments. You can save enough for a handsome Christmas present.

The schools closed Thursday evening until January third, after Christmas exercises had been held in all the rooms. A number of the teachers have gone home for the holidays, Miss Frances Wilson to Alpena, Miss Emily Carder to Kalamazoo, the Misses Hazel Bush and Irene Stolpe to Marquette, Miss Esther Clark to Chatham, Miss Flora Pierce to Crystal Falls and Miss Jeanette Hunter to Iron River.

This is the blessed Christmas season when the world, the flesh and Mr. Knox should be forgotten. But before the chimes begin their tale of peace and good will, the Soo should be requested to sit down and keep still.

The Soo is frightened now. She closed forty of her saloons last May, and now fears that Uncle Sam may close the rest. Government agents have been investigating the sale of liquor to Indians, and it is suggested that the procedure of making prohibition territory out of Minnesota may be followed in Michigan. The upper peninsula had large tracts of Indian land once; and at the Soo they have many full American citizens distinctly Indian in type.

Ill fares the land, to hastening ills a prey, where sausages are scarce and buckwheat cakes decay.

Albert Gaufrin observed recently on his way home from Escanaba that the bay was solidly frozen between the two cities, except for a half mile streak extending northeast from the mouth of the Escanaba river. When this is first frozen over it will be treacherous, though not apparent and skaters will do well to postpone attempting the trip for several days.

Think of someone you have got a deep-seated grudge against and give him an angora cat.

The Kipling schools closed Thursday evening for the holidays with an entertainment given by the pupils and a Christmas tree.

Escanaba is in high feather over the figures showing her to be the largest incorporated city in the peninsula. The great settlement around Calumet is comprised in several villages and townships, though the population has been fast increasing. Ishpeming is reported as falling off in numbers, and her citizens are indignant, claiming that there has been a great deal of additional building, and every house is occupied. The census enumerators will have hard work to square themselves.

It is expected that during the winter a tournament of the chess players of the city will be arranged. A handsome and appropriate trophy has already been presented to the club, to be the prize of the winner.

Echoes in the Marquette county courthouse have been very annoying; and at the request of Judge Flannigan, the board of supervisors has ordered the walls covered with a layer of felt two inches thick.

The mystery of the sporting extra is revealed! As was announced recently by The Delta, and noticed by other n. p. papers, excepting the vigilant Escanaba press, Ed. Miller of Gladstone signed with the Louisville Colonels. The telegraph announced to the metropolitan dailies that "Tintiani, great Indian pitcher" had been signed by Grayson. It is now discovered that when J. E. Mathey, Miller's manager, wired acceptance his message read "terms accepted. Indian has signed" and by the time the telegram got through to its destination, the benchmen of the Western Union had converted the first two words into the mellifluous Indian or Italian name that decorated the pink sheets.

We have not yet settled satisfactorily the question of what we shall do with our ex-presidents; and we seem to be troubled also with our ex-mayors. It is hard to convince a man that he is an ex.

The school board last week authorized the purchase of a new piano for the high school, the old one replacing the one in the kindergarten, whose days of usefulness are over. A table, rug and chairs were purchased for the board room. The case of the boy who did so much wanton damage to the school-rooms and fixtures at Thanksgiving was discussed, and it was resolved, that instead of prosecuting him to the reform school or levying a fine against his parents, he should be made to assist the janitor after school hours until the end of the term. The lesson, it is hoped, will be sufficient to effect reformation.

Last Wednesday was the shortest day of the year, with the exception of the day after Christmas.

It is reported that the inheritance tax from the estate of the late Congressman Samuel Stephenson of Menominee, who died about three years ago amounts to about \$9,000 and the value of the estate left by the deceased is estimated at nearly a million dollars. Although considerable time has elapsed since the death of Mr. Stephenson, the will was filed for probate only recently. At that time, Inheritance Tax Commissioner Thomas B. White of Plainwell, formerly probate judge of Delta county, was in Menominee to see that the state was apportioned its share of the inheritance tax due from the state. It is said that if the will had been filed immediately following Mr. Stephenson's death, as is customarily the case, the estate would have saved a considerable sum, as interest has had to be paid ever since.

Begin to do your Christmas shopping about ten days before Christmas, but do your buying on the last day.

There is, probably, nothing so threatening to American prosperity as the declaration of the "Tariff board" that protection is a favor. This is merely an acknowledgement that the tariff board is a handmaid of the free-trade fallacy. Protection is not a favor, but the shield and buttress of American labor. All that distinguishes American from the oriental labor is the protective tariff. The tariff commission are doubtless honest American gentlemen; but they are free-traders, and should be rejected by thinking voters.

The minister will appreciate a dozen lawn neckties. Every one of the flock will probably give him a dozen and it wouldn't do for you to start anything new.

And to think the Congressman elect in Kansas, whose majority is far above all the rest, is a rank and uncompromising standpatter! Dan Anthony is the miscreant.—Kansas City Journal.

The uses of electricity in this city are still increasing. A whirling electric fan in a display window on a cold day seems strange, until it is explained that the agitated air does not deposit moisture on the window sufficiently to conceal the goods shown.

The Patriarchs Militant held a meeting last Thursday evening to confer degrees.

The city's new snowplow seems to do excellent work. It keeps a fairly straight path, and levels the center of the walk, instead of leaving an icy hammock. It is economical, requiring but one man and one horse to operate it.

If governor-elect Osborn wants to mount higher on the political ladder, it would be advisable for him to call down his over-zealous press agent. Too much adulation of a public man generally Knox him off the ladder.—Detroit Free Press.

The Bank of D. Hammel & Son has received the latest model of adding machine. It is operated by electricity, dates and numbers the amounts and has special arrangements for overdrafts. It uses a two color ribbon and has many features not found on previous machines.

Hancock is holding a charity ball next Thursday for the benefit of St. Joseph's hospital, and it is expected that it will be made a permanent affair.

Sixteen inch Dry Body Wood, single cord \$2.10, full cord \$6.00; 16 inch Maple and Birch mill wood, \$1.75 a single cord, \$5.00 a full cord; Hemlock, \$1.15 single and \$2.75 full cord; delivered to any part of the city. Call up C. W. Davis, Phone 7.

The superintendent of the Escanaba schools has ordered that the flag be displayed on the school buildings on twenty-six specified days. What about the other hundred and seventy-four prescribed by the state law?

## TURN THE NEW LEAF

Show your wife the sum you have deposited to her account and give her a bank book on New Year's Day. It will be very acceptable to her. It is a pleasing and businesslike gift. She will be delighted to have her own allowance and her own bank book, and will take just pride in it.

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Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned until 12 o'clock noon, December 31st, 1910, for the purchase of \$40,000.00 Delta County bond issue. Bond to be of the denomination of \$1000.00 each bearing date January 1st, 1911, and maturing as follows: \$5,000.00 January 1, 1912 and \$5,000.00 on January 1st of each second year thereafter until the full sum of \$40,000.00 with interest thereon shall be paid. Said bonds shall bear 4 per cent interest payable semi-annually; principal and interest payable at the office of County Treasurer, Delta County, Escanaba, Michigan. Proposals must include interest and must be accompanied by a certified check in the sum of 2 per cent of the amount bid; checks of unsuccessful bidders will be promptly returned.

The right to reject any and all bids is hereby reserved. Bids must be marked "Bids for Delta County Bridge Bonds," and must be addressed to

JOHN A. SEMER,  
COUNTY CLERK,  
Escanaba, Mich.

Escanaba, Mich.  
Dec. 12, 1910.



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Will be the crowning event of the day. See that your larder is well stocked by Olson and Anderson the day before.

It would make your mouth water to see the stock of luscious Poultry, Beef Mutton and Veal heaped up in our shop; the Sausages, Mince-meat, Oysters, Fish, fresh and smoked, Ham, tongue, and Vegetables. Come in and get a foretaste of Christmas cheer.

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Select from this list for your Christmas feast.

Richelieu Filled Dates, Washed Figs, Cluster Raisins.  
Fancy Candy, Apples, Oranges, Bananas, Nuts and Grapes.  
Cranberries, Celery, Lettuce, Cucumbers, Olives.

And a lot of other good things.  
Don't forget our line of Fancy Decorated China.

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Phone 164

## UNTIL THE HOLIDAYS ARE OVER

I shall make a special effort to do the right thing by all comers and will make

## STRANGERS & FRIENDS

equally welcome. No one shall go away unsatisfied so long as this jovial season lasts, for I, having everything the most exacting can ask.

**Fred Anderson**

819 Delta Avenue

Robert L. Tennis, sporting editor of the Lansing Republican, thus enlightens his readers regarding Delta county conditions: One of the recruits who will be tried out by Manager Morrissey next spring will be Catcher Cole of Rapid River. As only one Lansing fan in 100 knows where the burg is located, it might be said that it is a little mining town in the upper peninsula, a short distance from Escanaba. Cole was manager and captain of the Rapid River club last year and starred in the annual championship series between Rapid River and Escanaba. On the latter team was Hank Olmsted, Denver's great hurler, Clarence Lehr, who played with Kewanee in the central association for several years under the name of Lewis, and who has been sold to the Phillies, Buck Nolden, a former Three-Leaguer and other players who have been more or less in the limelight. Escanaba has turned out a long list of players and when they return home after their playing season they displace the majority of the home guard and the fight with Rapid River is on. Cole is a youngster and weighs about 180 pounds. He is a good catcher and thrower but has had little experience. He had a short term with Green Bay in the Wisconsin-Illinois league last year.

The ball held at the Gladstone Theatre Tuesday night had but a slight attendance, the net proceeds, \$39, were delivered by Mr. Hammel to Poor Commissioner John P. Holm, who will expend it for the poor of the city.

The most offensive organ in our political system is the "Tariff commission." It is the most excruciating and worthless excrescence that diseased political conditions have ever produced in this government of the people by the people. It is, as Mr. Emory, the chairman, says, non-partisan. But, if anyone stops to think, how can a man who knows anything about political economy be neither a protectionist nor a free trader? The thing is so absurd that it hardly deserves notice. But this is certain; if the commission makes a free trade report to a protectionist House of Representatives it will get what it deserves. If it makes a protectionist report to Champ Clark's House it will not score a winning. The Tariff commission is nothing but a dream—or a fake, as you choose to call it.

The Alger county road commission has ordered shipped on trial an Adirondack snow packer and track cleaner. This device is built something like a sleigh and rides on top of the snow instead of sinking down in it as a snow roller does. It is claimed the Adirondack snow packer can be operated with one team. In an Adirondack village last year where 127 inches of snow fell the cost of keeping the streets in good condition throughout the winter was less than \$9 per mile for the entire season. The ten foot machine purchased weighs 1800 pounds and can be weighted to five tons. It costs \$200.

The Cook-Pearry controversy still howleth. About three thousand years since there was a man who told his king that he could stand on one leg for many hours. "The geese can beat you" said the level-headed monarch. The one-legged stander and the pole finder are "arcades ambo" as Virgil hath it. In other words, the fakir and the feat performer are equally valuable to humanity.

Someone should take the trouble to tell Mr. Osborn's press agent that the campaign is over.  
You will have a good dinner this Christmas and you will enjoy the day with those you love and with those who love you. Do you stop to think that there are many, your neighbors, who have not wherewithal to make such cheer? Hunt up some desolate soul and give it a portion of your joy. You will be better for it, and will make the world a little better, also.

The council on Monday rebated taxes to several widows, including \$175 as equivalent to the unused portion of John Thul's license, orders being drawn on the poor fund for these. The city renewed Hammel's bond for \$4000, current expenses, for another sixty days.

Get Grandpa a cup and saucer with an appropriate motto on it. The poor old gentleman would probably drop dead if he got anything else.

The Houghton Gazette alludes to the "late Mr. Roosevelt." There are some persons who have thought Mr. Roosevelt too previous.

The P. Y. P. S. ice rink was opened last Saturday with free skating, and has been in active operation since then.

Tariff reform is a great thing, even in Iowa—until it begins to affect the prices of things we have to sell. Then it is different. We are, all of us, always ready to reform the other man's business, to reduce the other man's profits. But we want our own to be let alone. This is a selfish world, after all and that is why no Tariff bill will ever satisfy all of us.—Cedar Rapids Republican.

Last Friday's basketball game was won by the senior class, by a score of 38 to 17. About eight dollars was netted for the athletic fund.

Krueger is installing a public drinking fountain in Henry Rosenblum's store. It is one of the sanitary (bubbling) type, and will be a novel addition to its many conveniences.

Humbug is eternal. It flourishes as bravely now as when man first learned to hew the shaft and lay the architrave. There is a wild outcry from progressive politicians for the election of senators by popular vote; because only in the common people can we look for honesty and wisdom in combination. There is also a great uproar for a commission form of government in municipalities; for only by placing all responsibility in the hands of a few men of great honor and perspicacity can we hope to escape from the corruption engendered by selecting our governors by the votes of the careless masses. Novelty pleases most men and variety and change will often carry the day even when the change is for the worse. Why a senator elected by popular vote should be more honest than an alderman chosen in the manner, is one of those things that no fellow can find out. Less politics and fewer politicians would be a boon; but it is a boon that we are not likely soon to obtain.

Get mad at the clerks and report them to the management. That is a part of the Christmas spirit that should never be overlooked.

Holiday Bargains in all kinds of Musical Instruments, Phonographs, etc. Get my prices. E. A. SEGERSTEIN.

Take at least \$2 in real money with you when you go out to buy \$40 worth of presents.

## THE WHITE NILE.

Mr. Roosevelt's Description of Night on the Great African River.

We had come down through the second of the great Nyanza lakes. As we sailed northward its waters stretched behind us beyond the ken of vision, to where they were fed by streams from the Mountains of the Moon. On our left hand rose the frowning ranges on the other side of which the Kongo forest lies like a shroud over the land. On our right we passed the mouth of the Victorian Nile, alive with monstrous crocodiles and its banks barren of human life because of the swarms of the fly whose bite brings the torment which ends in death. As night fell we entered the White Nile and steamed and drifted down the mighty stream. Its current swirled in long curves between endless ranks of plumed papyrus. White and blue and red the floating water lilies covered the lagoons and the still inlets among the reeds, and here and there the lotus lifted its leaves and flowers stiffly above the surface. The brilliant tropic stars made lanes of light on the lapping water as we ran on through the night. The river horses roared from the reed beds and snorted and plunged beside the boat, and crocodiles slipped sullenly into the river as we glided by. Toward morning a mist arose and through it the crescent of the dying moon shone red and lurid. Then the sun flamed aloft, and soon the African landscape vast, lonely, mysterious, stretched on every side in a shimmering glare of heat and light, and ahead of us the great, strange river went twisting away into the distance.—Theodore Roosevelt in Scribner's.

## A DUKE'S LOVES.

The Force of the Attacks Were Measured by His Appetite.

In the late eighteenth century a Dr. Moore was tutor to the young Duke of Hamilton of those days, whom he accompanied on the usual continental tour. The duke was then eighteen and was susceptible to feminine charms. He had just fallen a victim to the black eyes of a married lady when Dr. Moore made this report to the youthful peer's mother:

"This is the third passion the duke has had since we crossed the sea. They generally affect his appetite, and I can make a pretty good guess at the height of his love by the victuals he refuses to eat. A slight touch of love puts him immediately from legumes and all kinds of jardinage. If it arises a degree higher he turns up his nose at fricassees and ragouts. Another degree and he will rather go to bed supperless than taste plain roasted veal or poulets of any sort. This is the utmost length his passion has ever come hitherto, for when he was at the court with Mlle. Marcheville, though she put him entirely from greens, ragouts and veal, yet she made no impression on his roast beef or mutton appetite. He fed plentifully upon those in spite of her charms. I intend to make a thermometer for the duke's passion with four degrees—(1) greens, (2) fricassees and ragouts, (3) roast veal and fowls, (4) plain roast mutton or beef—and if ever the mercury mounts as high as the last I shall think the case alarming."—Argonaut.

## Pawning Bank Bills.

"Pawnbroskers don't think much of ten dollar bills as pledges," said the city salesman. "I saw a man pawn one the other day for \$6.50. When asked why he didn't spend his \$10 instead of soaking it for a little more than half the amount he explained that he wanted to keep that particular bill. Twice before he had tried to keep a certain bill by giving it as security to a friend who had so many bills that he wouldn't need to spend that particular one, but both times the friend got his money mixed and the keepee was lost after all. This time he depended upon the pawnbroker to tide him over. To pawn money struck me as a very curious proceeding, but the broker assured me that it is frequently done by people who attach a sentimental value to a particular bill or coin."—New York Sun.

## Personals

S. N. Woodruff, of Enderlin, was in the city Tuesday to ally, if possible, the growing excitement over everything that now prevails here. Mr. Woodruff's smiling face ought to bring peace to any community; but it is doubtful if Gladstone be can appeased. Missionary effort at an earlier date might have acted like oil on the troubled waters; but we have been neglected too long and the fever has seized the vitals of the town. But we all enjoyed Mr. Woodruff's visit.

Hon. Andrew P. Burrows was in the Soo on business last Thursday, Friday and Saturday, on business. The genial Mr. Burrows illuminated the Lock city with his sunshine, and astonished the natives by illustrating to them the metropolitan ways of growing Gladstone.

Prosecuting Attorney Dotsch and Timothy J. Curran, who is the sheriff's subordinate for another week, were in Gladstone Thursday morning. Mr. Curran was hot on the trail of two ex-convicts, who had stolen a horse from Basilio Lenzi, of Defiance.

Governor Warner does not show Governor-elect Osborn proper courtesy in the matter of making appointments. Too bad that such old friends should have fallen out.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Praiss and children and Miss Ida Miller arrived Thursday morning from Superior to spend Christmas with Hon. W. A. Miller.

Mrs. Robert Birch, of Embro, Ont., died on Monday, at the age of eighty-five. She was the mother of Mrs. John M. Beattie of this city, who is now ill in Minneapolis. R. B. Beattie of this city, left Monday night to attend the funeral.

Miss George Slining, who has been studying at Chicago University returned yesterday to spend Christmas here. Her sister, Mrs. George H. Webb, is expected next Tuesday from Aurora, Minn.

Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Miller left Thursday morning to spend Christmas in the Soo.

Miss Gertrude Kirschwing of Lake Linden, is the holiday guest of Miss Anna May Mackin.

O. V. Kurker has removed from Bismark to Minneapolis and will remain there through the winter, at least.

Oscar Kjellander was in Escanaba on business last Friday.

Frank Brown, who has been ill for two weeks or so with jaundice, returned to his work at the postoffice Tuesday.

Alfred Sourd, of Rutland, Vt., visited in the city Monday with August Glenfield. Mr. Sourd, who is manager of a large marble quarry, was on his way home from Alaska.

J. Allen Miller, who is a student at Michigan's agricultural college, is spending his Christmas vacation here.

Keeper Joseph Olhoff, who extinguished Squaw Point light for the season Sunday, on Friday left with his family to spend the holidays at Kewanee, Wis.

John Ohman, after a siege of two weeks' illness, has ventured out again.

Lewis and George, the sons of G. R. Empson, who have been quite ill, are recovering.

The Misses Mae Grills, Grace Farrell, Jessie Densmore, Pearl Madden, and Linda Olson have returned from the Marquette normal to spend Christmas.

Mrs. S. Goldstein returned last Thursday from an extended trip through Wisconsin, Illinois, Ohio and Michigan, after visiting many friends in various cities.

Gladstone Lodge, F. & A. M., installed its new officers last Friday evening. Clarence Maclairin leaves tomorrow morning to spend Christmas with his relatives in Manistique.

Miss Louise Meline, who is teacher of music at Iron River, visited Mrs. A. E. McCormack Monday, on her way to spend Christmas at her home in Kansas City.

H. W. Blackwell was in Escanaba on business last Friday.

Miss Maud Miller, who was taken ill last Thursday, has recovered and is again attending to her duties at Krueger's.

Dr. A. L. Laing and Peter Laing, with their families, will spend Christmas with H. B. Laing this year.

Conrad Bjorkman, who is a student at Augustana college, returned Thursday afternoon from Rock Island to spend the holidays at home.

Andrew Stevenson, who sprained his ankle last week by falling on an icy walk, is about with the aid of a cane.

Mr. and Mrs. William Blake, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Murphy, and P. R. Legg attended from this city the funeral of the late William Blake, held at Schaffer Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Geo. A. White left Saturday for Helmer, Luce county, to spend Christmas at her new home.

C. H. Tanner, of Grand Marais, was in the city Sunday.

Mr. D. I. Dixon, who represents the Michigan telephone company in this part of its moral (or immoral) vineyard visited the city this week in the interests of its subscribers. Mr. Dixon, instigated by a paragraph which appeared in The Delta some weeks since, explained that while the service to Escanaba is not yet what the company or any other reasonable being, natural or artificial, would heartily approve, it is being daily bettered by a corps of expert artisans which is putting in some more of those copper circuits which will finally make us all happy. The most alluring features of the telephone are found in the central office and it is not too much of a strain when a gentle voice says "busy."

S. G. Nelson on Thursday received by express a case of Satsuma oranges from a friend near Mobile, Alabama. The oranges are of Japanese origin and are quite thick-skinned, but juicy. Mr. Nelson has some land near the point from which the oranges came; and thinks he will plant a portion of it, at least, to oranges. The friend alluded to says he has cleared some twelve hundred dollars on the crop from less than three acres.

Miss Harriet Goldstein returned last Saturday morning from Minneapolis to spend three weeks here. She will be accompanied on her return by Miss Vetta Goldstein, who will study at the Handicrafts. They and their brother Phil are thus enabled to be together during their residence in that city.

C. A. Clark has been the financial agent of Gladstone Lodge, F. & A. M., so very long that a "new hand at the bellows" comes like an interpolation in the text. But Mr. Hawkins, who is the new secretary, will doubtless some day be as old in the business as his predecessor.

Archie Harris returned Thursday night from a ten day's trip to Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and other points. Miss Mabel Harris returned the same evening from Detroit, where she has been attending the Thomas school, to spend vacation here.

John C. Eaton, of Toronto, and party of friends were in the city from Saturday morning until Sunday with his private car Eaton, en route from Winnipeg to Toronto. Mr. Eaton's uncle, J. M. Beattie, and T. D. Springer were his guests during his stay.

Lawrence Kanney, who has been assistant city electrician for the past two years, left Tuesday evening for Enderlin N. D., to take a good position. John Mallongree is his successor here.

Dr. A. H. Kimmond leaves to-day to spend Christmas and New Year's at his home in St. John, Mich. He will return about the third.

Miss Margaret Hauser, of Chicago, arrived Tuesday to visit for some time with her mother, Mrs. Edward E. Carr. Capt. P. L. Burt is expected today from Green Bay.

Cecil Gelzer, who is chief train dispatcher at Minneapolis for the Soo Line, returned to the city Sunday after a visit with his mother here. Clive and William Gelzer will spend Christmas here.

E. V. White, who has been ill, is improving. His son Charles arrived this morning from Minneapolis to spend Christmas.

A daughter was born Friday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kay. Segerstein is selling musical devices at bargain prices until New Year's.

Carl Kanney, who has been firing out of Minneapolis, returned Thursday to spend Christmas at home.

The Gladstone students at Ferris Institute, James Grills, Roy Martin, Miss Ethel Whybrew and Miss Lizzie Anderson arrive this Friday night to spend two weeks here.

D. W. King, of Denver, Colo., was in the city Thursday on business with the Marble Safety Axe Co., manufacturers of his patented sights.

Councilor John Cumiskey, of Escanaba, was in the city Thursday afternoon.

Albert LaFond and Walter O'Connell were in Escanaba on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Mary Reddick has brought suit against the city of Escanaba for \$10,000. Her husband, J. A. Reddick, was killed two years ago by the grounding of a city light wire across the telegraph lines on which he was working.

Bertel Kjellander is the possessor of a turn out that will make other youthful owners of dogs and sleds envious. It is a perfect miniature cutter, made by his brothers.

John Peterson, while working at the pole yard Wednesday, fell from a car and bruised his leg.

H. E. Hite returned Friday morning accompanied by his mother, Mrs. Mary Bidgood, of Charlotte, who will spend the winter here. They visited friends in Grand Rapids and Lansing.

Miss Margery Frazer is visiting friends in Saginaw during her vacation.

F. E. Valentine, of St. Johns, Mich., visited Dr. Kimmond here Wednesday.

Charles and John Bourcier leave Monday to take charge of the Masonville lath mill.

August Anderson and Miss Hilda Berg have issued invitations to their wedding next Monday evening in the Wass Hall.



# MANY DEAD IN BLAST

NINE KILLED AND 125 INJURED IN NEW YORK WHEN POWER HOUSE IS WRECKED.

## CAR IS HURLED HIGH IN AIR

Force of Explosion Lifts Trolley From Rails and Lands on Top of Auto—Four Passengers Dead—Fire Truck House Demolished.

New York—The heart of Manhattan Island was shaken Monday by a terrific explosion of gas in the auxiliary power house of the Grand Central station. Nine persons were killed, four are missing, 125 were injured and property damaged to the extent of \$500,000.

Nine bodies were recovered and those of four workmen are believed to be in the wreckage.

Ceiling and windows in hospitals, schools and apartment houses were shattered, which caused innumerable minor hurts.

The blast picked up a north-bound trolley car, lifted it in the air and sent it crashing down upon an automobile which was passing on the other side of the street. Four of the passengers were killed and every one in the car was injured.

For some hours it was believed that dynamite alone could have wrought such havoc, but Fire Chief Croker said he was convinced the whole explosion was due to a mixture of air and illuminating gas, used in lighting railroad cars, touched off by an electric spark. The gas had accumulated in the auxiliary power house from a broken pipe snapped off by a runaway passenger car.

The official list of the dead follows: Patrick Jordan, track foreman. E. B. Livermore, New York Central inspector of Pullman cars. C. McMarrow, railroad employe. Edith O'Neil, stenographer. William Poeschke, Corcoran, L. I. Mary B. Pope, teacher. Charles Roberts, clerk in Adams Express company. John Ryan, clerk. Thomas Staggs, watchman. Mrs. Lapette and Hayes and Fathers O'Connor, McQuade, Sinnott and Byrnes of St. Patrick's cathedral hurried to the scene and administered the last rites of the church to the most seriously injured.

The house of fire truck No. 8, Lexington avenue and Fifty-first street, is practically demolished. The walls cracked and the truck was put out of commission. Battalion Chief Duffy and the other firemen were hurried to the floor and received injuries.

At the Bible Teachers' Training school in Lexington avenue, directly opposite the power house, 125 men and women were thrown to the floor. Many were injured and several were taken to hospitals.

At the post office substation at Fortieth street and Madison avenue the explosion slightly injured several clerks and threw the mail over the floor. In the New York Nursery and Child's hospital ceilings were shaken down and windows broken, but none of the 300 children was hurt.

The damage to the power house and other buildings has not been estimated, but it was stated that it will exceed \$500,000.

## WHITE IS CHIEF JUSTICE

Democrat Elected by Republican President Takes Oath of Office—Harlan Does Honors.

Washington—Associate Justice Edward Douglass White of the Supreme court of the United States became ninth chief justice of that august body when the oath of allegiance was administered by Associate Justice Harlan Monday.

The public ceremony of the installation was simple, the oath being taken in the seclusion of the robing room of the justices.

Chief Justice White was embarrassed when he moved to his seat at the center of the bench. Presiding Justice Harlan announced the presence of the new chief justice and extended the congratulations of the court. Clerk McKenney read the commission, Justice Harlan administered the judicial oath and moved aside to take his old position at the right hand of the chief justice, vacating the chair which he has filled since the death of Chief Justice Fuller. Chief Justice White sank into the chair with a smile for his wife and other relatives who were present.

In a few moments the holiday recess until January 3 was announced and the black robed justices filed solemnly from the room.

For the first time in history an associate justice had been elevated to the chief justiceship, and for the first time a president and senate of one political party had honored a member of a rival party by placing him at the head of the highest court in the land.

**Carl Hagenbeck Not Dead.**  
Cincinnati—Carl Hagenbeck of menagerie fame, is not dead at his home near Hamburg, Germany, as reported in dispatches from Berlin. A cablegram received here by Alfred Bode Monday said William, a brother of Carl, had died.

**Private Bank is Closed.**  
Watkins, N. Y.—The Farmers' and Merchants' bank, a private institution, failed to open its doors Monday. A general assignment for the benefit of creditors has been made.

# BRITISH POLLING IS OVER

UNIONISTS' CALCULATIONS ARE ENTIRELY UPSET BY VOTERS.

Liberals Have Net Loss, But Labor and Irish Allies Show an Increase.

London.—The government coalition at the close of the polling in the general election have a net gain of one seat.

The elections have been the most remarkable in the history of British politics, and have upset entirely the calculations of the Unionists, who had seriously expected to gain not less than twenty seats. On the contrary, the Unionists have not only gained nothing but are likely in the end to suffer a net loss of one.

A brief period of quiescence is expected to follow the final announcement and after that the government leaders will endeavor to carry out their plans for curtailing the power of the lords and carrying into effect other important measures in the new parliament.

The final result is as follows:

	Elected
Liberals	271
Labor members	43
Irish Nationalists	84
Total	398
Opposition.	
Unionists	272
Ministerial majority	126
Government's net gain	1

## MAY BLOCK LORIMER REPORT

Movement Started to Postpone Whole Subject Until After Holidays—Secret Method Resented.

Washington.—Opposition that may block the adoption of any report clearing William Lorimer as the result of the investigation of bribery charges in connection with his election to the senate has developed.

Several senators are declared to have agreed that they would compel a postponement of the whole subject until after the holiday recess in order that all members might have an opportunity to digest the testimony as well as the report of the committee on privileges and elections.

Advocates of the cause of the junior Illinois senator in that committee, moreover, did not have things all their own way at the meeting Tuesday called to formulate a report. There were votes against the proposition to give Mr. Lorimer a record devoid of spot.

It seems to be virtually assured now that there will be a regular minority report, or, in its absence, not only one statement of disagreement with the findings of the committee, but several.

Chairman Burrows called the committee together and soon after the adjournment it was reported that he had been authorized to report the Lorimer matter to the senate in accordance with the findings of the majority of the subcommittee.

Great dissatisfaction was expressed because of the failure to have printed the findings of the majority of the subcommittee. It is asserted that there never has been an investigation in which such diligent effort has been made to keep the proceedings secret.

The nomination of Martin A. Knapp, now chairman of the interstate commerce commission, to be a judge of the new commerce court was confirmed by the senate.

## RAINEY IS AFTER ROOSEVELT

Asks Congress to Probe Colonel's Traveling Expenses While President.

Washington.—Representative Rainey of Illinois introduced a resolution in the house, which he declares he will press to a vote, asking for a special committee for the purpose of ascertaining whether Col. Theodore Roosevelt paid for his transportation while he was president.

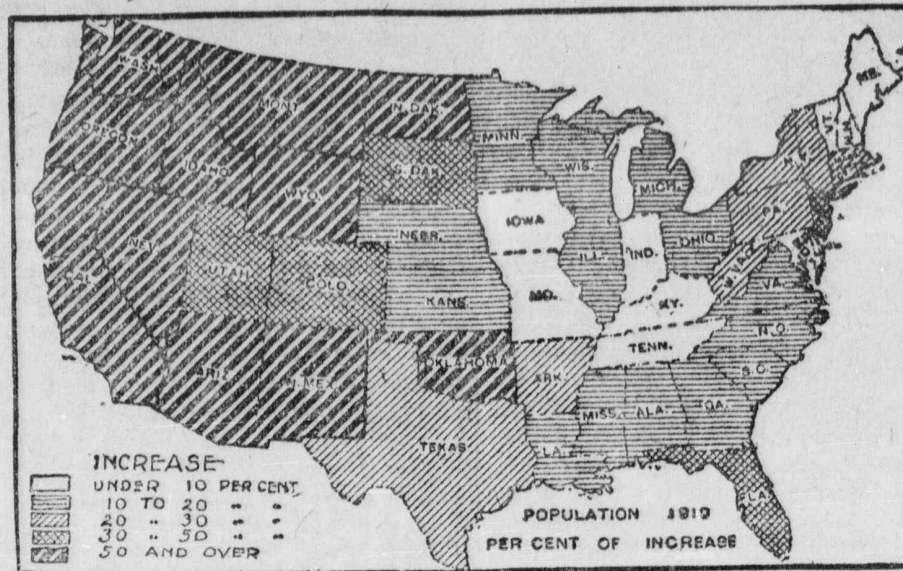
A Pennsylvania stockholder recently asked President McCrear of the railroad company whether President Roosevelt had paid his transportation charges on the road which were alleged to have amounted to more than \$100,000, or whether this money had not been taken from the stockholders of the railroad by charging the expense up to the company. In a diplomatic reply President McCrear states that Colonel Roosevelt did not owe the railroad company anything for transportation, but he did not say whether the company had charged President Roosevelt and his friends anything for the special trains used by President Roosevelt on his tours of the country.

Mr. Rainey wants this point settled and he wants to know also what other roads provided transportation for President Roosevelt and the officials of the Roosevelt administration, whether they paid for the transportation and how and when they were paid.

**Kelher Given Eighteen Years.**  
Boston.—Eighteen years in state prison was the sentence imposed upon William J. Kelher by the United States district court Tuesday for aiding and abetting bookkeeper George W. Coleman in looting the National City bank of Cambridge.

**Texas to Cost \$5,830,000.**  
Washington.—The contract for building the 27,000-ton battleship Texas was awarded Tuesday to the Newport News Shipbuilding company, the lowest bidder, at \$5,830,000.

# HOW THE STATES HAVE GAINED IN POPULATION



A map of the United States showing a division of the country into five groups according to the increase in population in the 1910 census has been given out for publication by the census bureau. The states in which the population has increased more than 50 per cent. include Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, Washington, Oregon, California, North Dakota, Montana, Wyoming and Idaho. Five states, New Jersey, Florida, South Dakota, Colorado and Utah, increased between 30 and 50 per cent. The states that show a rate of increase, between 20 and 30 per cent., include Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Arkansas and Texas. Fifteen states show an increase of between 10 and 20 per cent. These include all the southern states from Virginia along the seaboard and Gulf of Mexico to Louisiana with the exception of Florida. The other states of this group lie in the north central section of the United States, comprising Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Nebraska, Kansas and Texas. The group of states which increased less than 10 per cent. (comprising one which actually decreased) include the three New England states of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, and two other Atlantic states, Delaware and Maryland, and also five states in the central part of the country, namely, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, Iowa and Missouri.

# TRAP DIAZ TROOPS

TRAIN BEARING FEDERAL SOLDIERS IS SHOT TO PIECES.

## BATTLE LASTS FIVE HOURS

Official Report Says Federals Had 21 Killed, 10 Missing and 42 Wounded—Commander of Expedition Hit—Rebel Loss Unknown.

Chihuahua, Mex.—Confirmation of the report that the troop train which left here December 17 was shot to pieces in the mountain trap known as Malpasos, a few miles east of Pedernales, was given Tuesday when 42 government soldiers were brought in from the field of battle.

The official report states that the federals lost 21 killed and that ten are missing and 42 wounded. One of the latter is Colonel Guzman, who was in command of the expedition.

The train left in two sections, carrying three field pieces on a coal car and 500 soldiers. Pancho Villa, the bandit, who, while operating independently, still regards the government as his enemy, fired on the second section as it was passing through Andania canyon, but did no damage.

The mountains of Malpasos, however, swarmed with revolutionists. They halted the first and second sections. Colonel Guzman disembarked his troops and for five hours defended himself from the desperate charge. He was in a trap, however. The enemy was on the heights, sheltered by bowlders and other protection north to the mountains and poured in a deadly fire.

He was unable to use his big guns effectively owing to the nature of the ground. Notwithstanding his precarious condition and the numbers of the insurgents, he held his ground for five hours. He was shot through the leg, while the third officer in command was raked across the stomach.

Although General Navarro was unable to lend assistance. Unconfirmed reports say that he has his hands full with the rebels he has been fighting off and on since December 15.

## PRESIDENT SEES NO DANGER

Taft, in Speech Allays War Scare, Declares Nation Need Have No Fear.

Washington.—President Taft, in an address before the American Society for the Judicial Settlement of International Disputes, Saturday gave assurances that the country need not fear the so-called war scare.

He said: "There is not the slightest reason for such a sensation because we are at peace with all the nations of the world, and are quite likely to remain so."

## Women Voters to Assemble

Tacoma, Wash.—The first national convention of women voters will be held here January 14, according to plans perfected. The convention was called by Governor Brady of Idaho. Delegates from other equal suffrage states—Utah, Wyoming, Colorado and Washington—representing about 270,000 women voters, will participate.

## Pugilist Kain Exonerated

Philadelphia.—A coroner's jury here Tuesday held the injuries that caused the death of "Kid" Gardner, a light-weight pugilist, were accidentally received in a bout with John Kain, another pugilist. The latter was exonerated from blame.

## Two of Life-Saving Crew Drown

New York.—A lifeboat of new design capsized Tuesday while being tested in the surf at Rockaway Beach and two members of the crew were drowned.

## CHARLTON GAINS TWO POINTS

JUDGE ALLOWS ORDER TO AMEND COURT RECORDS.

Father of Wife Slayer Confident Order for Son's Extradition Will Be Set Aside.

Trenton, N. J.—Not until January 9 will Porter Charlton learn whether he will be sent back to Italy to be tried for wife murder.

When he appeared before United States Judge Rellstab, pale and haggard and showing the effects of the six months' confinement and the hemorrhages to which he is frequently subjected, his lawyer, R. Floyd Clarke, asked for an adjournment on the ground that he needed time for the collection of certain important evidence. This evidence will be used to have set aside Secretary of State Knox's ruling that the young man be extradited.

Judge Rellstab allowed an order amending the records in the case by striking out the proceeding before the Hoboken recorder, following Charlton's arrest at the steamship pier after his return from Europe. Counsel for Charlton also secured an order eliminating from the records the copy of the complaint presented before Judge Blair of the Hudson county courts. These are regarded as notable gains for the accused man, as they greatly simplify the case which his counsel has to conduct in his behalf.

Judge Charlton is confident that the ruling of Secretary Knox in favor of extradition will be set aside. He does not think his son in his present condition would survive the journey to Italy.

## GUNBOAT MAY START REVOLT

Hornet, Former U. S. Ship, Clears From New Orleans on Mysterious Voyage.

New Orleans.—The former United States gunboat Hornet, reported to have been purchased by Honduran revolutionists, cleared from this port for Cape Gracias with a crew of twenty men, 200 tons of coal and provisions for thirty days. Included among the crew are several men who are said to have been connected with previous filibustering expeditions directed against Central American republics.

One of the rumors current was that the Hornet would be turned over to Mexican revolutionists. Captain Johnson, commanding the vessel, says that the Hornet will be used in the Central American trade.

## U. OF C. GETS \$10,000,000

Rockefeller Makes Final Gift and Retires From All Connection With University.

Chicago.—John D. Rockefeller has given the University of Chicago another \$10,000,000. Announcement of this fact was made at the university convocation Tuesday by Martin A. Ryerson, chairman of the board of trustees. The Standard Oil magnate said in making the gift that he retired from all connection with the university and would give it nothing more. His total gifts in 21 years aggregate \$35,000,000.

## Taft Annuls Death Decree

Washington.—President Taft Tuesday commuted to life imprisonment the death sentence passed upon John Wynne, an oiler on the steamer Rosecrans at Honolulu, Hawaii, for the murder of a man named McKinnon.

## Senator Elkins is Better

Washington.—In announcing in the senate Tuesday that Senator Elkins was detained at home by serious illness, Senator Scott of West Virginia added: "I am glad to say he is much better."

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Romance and poetry have delighted to weave garlands with which to celebrate and perpetuate the glory of the blue grass in old Kentucky, famed for its fine horses, beautiful women and mint.

Kentucky has been designated as the home of the mint julep, and its colonels have become famous all over the world for the easy and graceful way in which they drink whisky with a little dash of sugar and a sprig or two of mint in order, chiefly, to overcome the necessity for a large amount of water in the beverage. The true Kentuckian doesn't want his whisky drowned.

It transpires, however, that the real home of the mint and the mint julep is right here in Missouri, whose crop of mint last year amounted to 7,653 pounds, or enough to make 1,224,320 juleps. This amount includes the marketed product only, no account having been taken of the countless thousands of juleps which were compounded during the year with a base of the undiluted moonshine whisky that never paid a cent of tax.—St. Louis Star.

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# CURRENCY BILL HAS SMALL SHOW

Monetary Commission Appointed Several Years Ago Is Not Yet Ready to Report.

## GRAVES INVITES CRITICISM

Chief Forester Takes Pinchot's Position on Forests and Water Flow—Republican Factions Unite in Favor of Commission Bill.

By GEORGE CLINTON.

Washington.—It is known from men who stand close to the administration that President Taft is becoming fearful lest nothing of great and lasting value shall come out of the movement for currency reform. Immediately after the business disturbance of 1907 congress passed a temporary currency measure which it was hoped would make in part for stability in time of monetary stress. The act was passed only as a temporary safeguard and it was not deemed by members of either party to be at all sufficient to the matter in hand.

Congress with the advice of the president appointed a national monetary commission with representatives of house and senate in its membership. The commission has been studying currency matters for upwards of two years and it was believed that the report would be made at the present session so that the recommended legislation could be passed.

There is no chance now that the currency bill will be passed this winter. The committee is not yet ready to report and the explanation is that the subject was so great and that so many differences of opinion existed among the representatives of financial interests that it was difficult to get at the exact truth and thus early to frame a bill which would be generally satisfactory.

### Chief Members Leaving Senate.

Senator Aldrich is the chairman of the commission. He will leave the senate in March and of course will not be present on the floor to explain and defend the currency bill when it is finally introduced. Senator Burrows of Michigan, the second ranking member of the commission, also will leave the senate in March. Philander C. Knox, who was a senator when the commission was appointed and who still is connected with it, left the senate to become secretary of state. Henry M. Teller of Colorado, who was also a senator when appointed to the commission, is now in private life, although still holding his place on the monetary board. Hernando D. Money of Mississippi, another commission member, will lose his senate office in the spring.

The only Republican senator who also is a member of the commission and who will continue in senatorial office is Theodore E. Burton of Ohio. On him will fall the entire burden of presenting the views of the commission majority when the time comes to press for action a bill based on the body's report.

In the house there will be several Republican members of the commission still in office, but it must be remembered that the Democrats at the next congress will have control of the house and it is more than possible that their currency reform views will not be those of the Republican majority of the commission. All these things make the administration fear that a part at least of the work of the commission will go for naught. There is said to be one hope left that the commission's findings will be sanctioned in bill form by house and senate no matter what the political majority may be. Commercial interests all over the country are urging that something like stable monetary legislation shall be enacted and be enacted quickly.

### To Celebrate Battle of Lake Erie.

General Warren Keifer of Ohio, a member of the house of representatives, has introduced a bill appropriating \$250,000 to be used for the purpose of a celebration during the summer of 1913 in honor of the one hundredth anniversary of the Battle of Lake Erie. It is said that congress, even in this time of striving for rigid economy, looks with considerable approval upon General Keifer's proposition. It is altogether too early, however, to judge of the chances of the appropriation's success for there is a feeling in some quarters that a stop ought to be put to the practice of voting money for celebrations that take on in any way the form of great expositions or fairs.

The Battle of Lake Erie was fought by Commodore Perry in small vessels, some of them little more than barges, but the victory that he won was of great importance and, like the battle between the Chesapeake and Shannon, it gave a watchword to the American navy.

### Like the Former Forester.

Henry S. Graves, the chief forester of the United States, who succeeded Gifford Pinchot, has just given congress sharp evidence that he stands in certain matters just where his predecessor in office stood. The new forester seems to have the same militant intent that characterized the warlike Pinchot.

For years the men who want to save the forests of the country have been trying to get congress to sanction a bill which would set aside a great woodland reserve in the southern Appalachian mountains, and in the White mountains of New Hamp-

shire. There was opposition at first in the senate and when this was overcome opposition developed in the house. It was charged at times that one house was being played off against the other house in a way that would be sure to kill the measure without having blame attached to congress as a whole. The senate before long will vote on an Appalachian forest reserve bill, which was passed by the house at the last session.

When the house committee on agriculture was holding its hearings on the forest reserve proposition one or two government officials who, it was charged, were moved by motives of antagonism to Mr. Pinchot, though the charge never was proved definitely, said that the forests had little or no effect on climatic conditions and that alternate droughts and floods were not the result of the denuding of the mountain tops of their growth of trees. This testimony caused huge surprise in scientific circles and it was derided by Mr. Pinchot and men of his mind.

### Graves Takes Pinchot's Position.

Now Mr. Pinchot's successor as chief forester has sanctioned a government publication prepared by Raphael Zon, which makes light of the contention of the anti-Pinchot forces that forests have no effect on climatic conditions and on water flow. In other words, Mr. Graves by his sanction of the articles takes just the position that Mr. Pinchot took, and therefore invites the same criticism from other government officials which was directed at his predecessor in office.

There are no forest reservations worthy the name in the east. It is said by a forester of the cause that unless the forests of the southern Appalachians and of the White mountains are saved disaster will come to the manufacturing interests in the slope countries which depend upon an even flow of water. The bill preserving these forests was reported favorably by the committee on agriculture in the face of strong opposition, but it went through the house. Instantly opposition developed in the senate, but an agreement was reached to vote on the measure at this session.

### Will Favor Tariff Commission.

Senator Nelson W. Aldrich of Rhode Island has given his sanction to a tariff commission bill. If an announcement of this kind could have been made truthfully a year ago the country would have been staggered at the news.

Ever since congress convened early in the month there have been intimations that the two factions in the Republican party were likely to join hands in an effort to create a real tariff commission by legislative act. President Taft practically demanded such a commission in his annual message to congress and the regular and insurgent Republicans now seem to think that if they do as the president wishes there will be a better opportunity for harmony in the party when the next presidential campaign opens.

The Republicans are not thinking wholly of harmony in their ranks in making up their minds to create a real tariff commission which shall have ample power to study conditions and to report to congress with recommendations for future tariff legislation. They think also that if the country approves of the work of the commission, the Democrats in the next congress, controlling as they will the next house of representatives, will think twice before they pass a bill providing for "a tariff for revenue only." In other words, as the Republicans gauge matters they hope the country will demand that the commission be allowed to prove either its usefulness or its uselessness before any tariff legislation is demanded.

### Lodge Worried About His Seat.

Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, known as the "scholar in the senate," admittedly is worried lest opposition of some of the Republican legislators in the home state shall prevent his return to the upper house. Massachusetts men say that Senator Lodge does more for his individual constituents than any other man in the United States senate and that his chief difficulty lies in the fact that his constituents think he is cold and irresponsive. Coldness of demeanor has been more than one candidate for office, but Mr. Lodge has held office for many years. Eschewing politics and all arguments concerning legislative matters, it can be said at least in favor of the Bay State senator that he is a hard student and that his scholarship has lent dignity to a body in which only a few of the members rightly can lay claim to the name of scholar. There are of course other real scholars in the United States senate, but most of the men in present membership are men who have won position by either one of two things, great political sagacity or hard business sense combined with wealth which makes a far reaching campaign possible.

There are two or three scholars in the senate from the south. The political ideals of Massachusetts never have been the political ideals of the southern states, but there is a great respect in the south for the learning of the Bay State senator who next month may lose his office.

Curiously enough it was Henry Cabot Lodge's address to the senate in which he gave an estimate of the character and the acts of John C. Calhoun which won largely the admiration of the south. Massachusetts and South Carolina in the old days were anything but in a sisterly mood toward each other. Lodge did not flatter Calhoun. He gave just such an estimate of the man as it is possible to give when time has soothed the passions to sleep and has enabled men to look at the past clear eyed.

# LORIMER IS UPHELD

ELECTION COMMITTEE'S REPORT SUBMITTED TO SENATE, TWO IN DISSENT.

## TITLE TO SEAT IS VALID

Beveridge and Frazier Refuse to Sign Finding—Whole Matter Goes Over Until After Holiday Recess.

Washington.—Senator Burrows, chairman of the committee on privileges and elections, just before adjournment of congress for the holidays, Wednesday presented to the senate the report of the investigation of charges of bribery made in connection with the election of William Lorimer as senator from Illinois.

The conclusion reached by the committee follows: That, in their opinion, the title of Mr. Lorimer to a seat in the senate has not been shown to be invalid by the use or employment of corrupt methods or practices.

Charges that four members of the Illinois legislature were bribed and that three other members paid bribes are not ignored by the committee. The report declares that those who confessed to receiving bribes should not be believed and that the votes of those who were charged with paying bribes should be counted.

In relation to the charges that there was a corruption fund used in the Illinois legislature and that it was disbursed by one Robert E. Wilson, the report says that there is no evidence that it was used for the benefit of Mr. Lorimer. The committee suggests that any investigation of the use of such a fund should be made by authorities of the state of Illinois.

The statement of views of Senator Frazier was made public later. In his statement Senator Frazier declares that the four confessed bribe-takers implicated three other members of the legislature who bribed them; that these three votes were also corrupt, which would make seven tainted votes. Eliminating these seven votes, Senator Frazier holds, would make the vote received by Senator Lorimer less than a majority.

The report, as presented, was not signed by members of the committee, although it did not appear that there was any minority. On the floor of the senate, however, Mr. Beveridge made the statement that he had not been able to concur with or dissent from the findings because of the voluminous character of the testimony. He said that he would digest the proceedings of the investigating committee during the holidays. He asked that a specific time be named for acting upon the report, but objection was made by Senator Gallinger.

## 282 DEAD IN MINE BLAST

English Shaft at Bolton Is Scene of Terrible Disaster—Only Eight Escape.

Bolton, England.—An explosion followed by fire in the Little Hulton colliery here Wednesday entombed 290 miners, who had gone below to work the day's work.

The work of rescue was pushed amid discouraging conditions. The rescuers, wearing helmets, went into the pit and succeeded in extinguishing the flames in an area 150 feet in length, but encountered heavy falls of coal and slack loosened by the explosion. Only eight of the 290 entombed men have escaped and the others are believed dead. A total of ten bodies have been recovered.

## SUSTAIN STATE PRIMARY LAW

Illinois Supreme Court Divided as to Interpretation of Act But Hold It Valid.

Springfield, Ill.—The supreme court Wednesday held the legislative primary act providing for the nomination of members of the lower house of the legislature valid in a decision handed down in the case of Espey vs. McInerney and others.

Three opinions were handed down by the court, as the members are divided as to the interpretation of the act.

The opinion follows the decision of the court rendered verbally shortly before the election, November 8.

### Twenty-Seven Killed in Fire.

Philadelphia.—Fifteen policemen and 12 firemen lost their lives Wednesday night when the walls of a five-story structure at 1120 N. Bodine street fell on them while they were fighting a fire. More than a score of firemen were removed to hospitals and it is believed there are still others in the ruins.

### Modesty Costs Girl's Life.

New York.—Because she would not allow her fellow employes to fasten a tourniquet about her leg, Miss Helen Gerschen died at St. Vincent's hospital Wednesday. Miss Gerschen accidentally stabbed herself in the leg with a pair of scissors.

### Confirm McChord and Meyers.

Washington.—The senate in executive session Wednesday confirmed the nominations of C. C. McChord and B. H. Meyers as members of the interstate commerce commission.

## PROOF POSITIVE



Boy—This is a good place for fish! Angler—What can you catch here? Boy—I don't know, but it must be a great place for fish, because I never seen any of them leave it.—Comic Cuts.

## SKIN BEAUTY PROMOTED

In the treatment of affections of the skin and scalp which torture, disfigure, itch, burn, scale and destroy the hair, as well as for preserving, purifying and beautifying the complexion, fallible. Millions of women throughout the world rely on these pure, sweet and gentle emollients for all purposes of the toilet, bath and nursery, and for the sanative, antiseptic cleansing of ulcerated, inflamed mucous surfaces. Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Boston, Mass., sole Proprietors of the Cuticura Remedies, will mail free, on request, their latest 32-page Cuticura Book on the skin and hair.

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The Happy Man. "I hear she is to be married. Who is the happy man?" "Her father."—Lippincott's.

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## Housework Drudgery

Housework is drudgery for the weak woman. She brushes, dusts and scrubs, or is on her feet all day attending to the many details of the household, her back aching, her temples throbbing, nerves quivering under the stress of pain, possibly dizzy feelings. Sometimes rest in bed is not refreshing, because the poor tired nerves do not permit of refreshing sleep. The real need of weak, nervous women is satisfied by Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription.

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## Fresh Air in Winter

In winter, it is hard to get fresh air in certain rooms. Some rooms in a house are usually colder than others, and if you open the windows it is hard again to heat the room properly. If you keep the windows closed you don't get fresh air; if you keep them open you cannot quickly reheat the room. The

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**THEATRICAL ATTRACTIONS.**

Monday, Jan. 2. Volunteer Firemen's ball, at the Gladstone Theatre.  
 Saturday, January 7: "Our New Minister." A favorite.  
 Music for all attractions at the Theatre will be furnished by Thurman's Concert Orchestra.  
 Promenade at Gladstone theatre every Thursday evening. Twenty-five cents.

**BANKS CLOSED.**

As Monday is a legal holiday, the banks of the city will be closed all day.

**CHRISTMAS MAIL.**

The postoffice will be open Sunday morning as soon as the mail is distributed, and remain open until all are waited on. Monday it will be open from 9:30 until 10:30.

**SWEDISH MISSION CHURCH**

Services will be held at 5:30 a. m. on Christmas day. The children's exercises and Christmas Tree will be held in the evening.

**SWEDISH EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH.**

REV. CARL J. SILVERSTEN, A. M. PASTOR.  
 Julotta 5:30 in the morning. Sermon topic: "The True Light."  
 In the morning at 7, p. m. Sunday School festival.  
 Everybody welcome.

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH**

Midnight mass will be solemnized on Christmas Eve, as customary, the church being especially decorated and additional music provided. All, whether Catholic or Protestant, are heartily invited to this service.

The second mass will be held at 8:30 a. m. and the third at 10:30. The collections taken at Christmas services are devoted to the orphans of the Marquette diocese.

**TRINITY CHURCH.**

The feast of the nativity, commonly called Christmas Day. Morning Prayer 10:30 a. m. Church School 11:30 a. m. Evening Prayer 7:30 p. m.

The children's Christmas exercises will be held on Saturday Dec. 24, at 7:00 p. m. instead on the following Monday as previously announced.  
 Make your Christmas more than a mere holiday. Think of what this day stands for and be in attendance at some Christian service.

JAMES E. CROSBIE, Minister

**WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.**

The annual Christmas tree exercises in connection with the Sunday School will be held on Saturday evening, December 24, at 8 o'clock. A good program is provided of songs and dialogues and recitations. You will be made welcome to this Christmas Eve entertainment.

On Sunday next both services, of a special Christmas character. A full choir will lead in the singing, and render special Christmas music. The theme for the morning services is The Obligation of Christmas. In the evening the pastor will preach on the subject: The Child in the Manger.

**THE TRADING STAMP**

Says the Soo Times: The old trading stamp game is being revived in many towns of the upper peninsula, and it would not be surprising if agents promoting this business soon invade the Soo. Local merchants should give them the marble heart and turn the proposition down cold. To adopt the use of trading stamps is not only a big drain on any business, but the returns are also questionable, for the chances are that you will antagonize more business in the end than you temporarily gain. The Times then proceeds to show the various graft features of the trading stamp game and the conclusion is that no honest merchant can afford to touch, taste or handle the thing.

**July.**

July derives its name from Julius Caesar, who was born in that month.

**Vital Part.**

Madge—Is it good form for a girl to wear such an abbreviated bathing suit?  
 Marjorie—I guess that depends altogether on whether the girl has the good form.—Judge.

**Airship Scorchers.**

Some day, no doubt, with feelings proud, We'll aviate, and, with a frown, Some copper from behind a cloud Will warn us that we must slow down.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

**Naturally.**

Miles—That young fellow appears to have a lot of horse sense.  
 Giles—Naturally. He's a veterinary college graduate.—Chicago News.

**Merry Sunshine.**

The merry sunshine I admire, But merriment will sometimes tire. When days of summer heat intrude Its humor seems a trifle crude.—Atlanta Constitution

**Resiliency of Language.**

"I say, we are down on our luck."  
 "Yes, we certainly are up against it!"—Town Topics.

**BOYS WANTED.**

A few boys between the ages of 16 and 20 can find steady employment in the factory of the Marble Safety Axe Co. tf.

**FREE BARN**

When you drive to Escanaba, put your horse in Peter Lemmer's barn, behind his Palm Garden at 308 Ludington street. 46

**TAX NOTICE**

The tax roll of the city of Gladstone is now in my hands for collection, and payment may be made at my office. On all taxes paid before January 10, 1911, the collection fee is one per cent. After January 10 the collection fee of four per cent will be charged.

I. G. CHAMPION, City Treasurer.

**THE GLADSTONE DELTA.**

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**Notice of Sale.**

Notice is hereby given that, by virtue of a writ of fieri facias issued out of the circuit court for the county of Delta, in favor of the Hink Wholesale Liquor and Supply Company, a corporation, against the goods and chattels and real estate of Joseph Eaton and Wilhelmina Eaton, in said county, to me directed and delivered, I did, on the twentieth day of June, A. D. 1910, levy upon and take all the right, title and interest of the said Joseph Eaton and Wilhelmina Eaton, in the following described lands, to-wit:

Lots eight (8) and nine (9) of Block forty-two (42) of the Original Plat of the village, (now city) of Gladstone, Delta County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof; All of which I shall expose for sale at public vendue, to the highest bidder, at the West front door of the court house, at the city of Escanaba, in said county, that being the place of holding the circuit court within said county, on the twentieth day of February, A. D. 1911, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated December 21st, A. D. 1910.

JUDD YELLAND, Undersheriff, Attorney, Business Address: Escanaba, Mich.

December 24, 1910. January 28, 1911.

**Homestead Notice.**

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U. S. LAND OFFICE, at MARQUETTE, MICH., DECEMBER 16, 1910.

Notice is hereby given that HENRY WERKHEISER, of Arnold, Mich., who, on April 2, 1904, made Homestead Entry No. 1352, Serial No. 61012, for SE 1/4 of SW 1/4, Section 32, Township 43 N., Range 24 West, Michigan Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Five Year Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Delta County, Michigan, at Escanaba, Michigan, on the 31st day of January, 1911.

Claimant names as witnesses: Mike Walsh of Escanaba, Mich. Silvester Denler of " " Henry Hira of " " John Kreeke of Rock, " JAMES J. DONOVAN, Register.

**Mortgage Sale**

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage, made and executed by Alexander Richard (unmarried) of Seymour in the State of Wisconsin, party of the first part, to John A. Macaulay and R. Ernest Daniell, co-partners doing business under the firm name and style of Superior Motor Company, at Laurium, Michigan, parties of the second part, dated the 16th day of June, A. D. 1910, and recorded the 27th day of June, A. D. 1910, at nine o'clock A. M., in Liber 33 of Mortgages, on pages 344, 345 and 346, in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for Delta County, Michigan.

And no suit or proceedings having been instituted at law to recover the debt remaining secured by said mortgage or any part thereof, There is claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, the sum of Four Hundred Seventy-five and eight one hundredths (\$475.08) Dollars, together with an attorney fee of Fifteen (\$15) Dollars, provided for in said mortgage.

Now therefore, notice is hereby given that on the 28th day of February, A. D. 1911, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the front door of the court house in the city of Escanaba (that being the place where the Circuit Court for the County of Delta is held) the property described in said mortgage will be sold at public vendue to the highest bidder, to satisfy the mortgage debt aforesaid.

Said property is described as follows: The Northeast quarter of the Northeast quarter (N. E. 1/4 of N. E. 1/4) and the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter (N. W. 1/4 of N. E. 1/4) of Section Seven (7), in Township Thirty-seven (37) North of Range Twenty-four (24) West, in Delta County, Michigan.

Dated, this 25th day of November, A. D. 1910. JOHN A. MACAULEY, R. ERNEST DANIELL, Mortgages. JOHN POWER, Attorney for Mortgages.

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**A MISTAKE IN THE MAN.**

It Was Embarrassing, but It Turned Out Well.

By EDGAR P. YARDLEY. (Copyright, 1910, by American Press Association.)

One summer I alighted from a stage at the entrance of a hotel beside a New Hampshire lake. There were several persons sitting on the porch, and one, a young girl, arose and advanced with a happy smile to meet me. If there is one thing I have always prided myself on it is keeping my equipage when people speak to me whom I don't remember. I had no idea who the girl was, but did not propose to betray my ignorance. She put out her hand and put up her lips. Not to give her the expected kiss would have been a rudeness.



"LOOKED ME SQUARE IN THE FACE." that the softness of rose leaves is nothing to the exquisite sensation I experienced in the pressure of those lips.

Of course I was not so stupid as to speak first. I gave her that privilege and waited for a cue. "What brought you so early?" were her first words.

"I found I could get away earlier than I expected."  
 "How did you leave Katherine?"  
 "Very well."  
 "Why, she hasn't recovered, has she?"

"I mean she's doing very well."  
 "Oh!"  
 "I think I'll go in and register, getting rid of the satchel at the same time. I'll be with you in one moment." Entering the office, I found a clerk and asked if Miss — I stumbled on the name.

"Miss Ellison?" supplied the clerk.  
 "Did she say anything about a room for me?"  
 "Yes, but she didn't expect you on this train. However, I can take care of you."

While we were talking I was running my eye back over registered names until I came to "Mrs. Montgomery Ellison, Miss Edith Ellison, Detroit." I didn't know a soul in Detroit, so I was now quite sure the young lady had mistaken me for some one else. I must let her down easy. It occurred to me that to put my name on the hotel register might betray the situation, so, the clerk turning to inspect his key rack, I left him without doing so and walked toward the door. "Mr. Wardwell!" he called.

I turned.  
 "You have not registered."  
 "I will do so presently." And I walked out on to the porch and joined Miss Ellison.

My next move was to discover what relationship Mr. Wardwell bore to her. It was to be supposed that he was her lover, but I was not certain.  
 "You've changed a little since I saw you," she said.  
 "Do you think so? Let me see—how long is it?"

"Two years last month."  
 I wished to ask where we were when we parted and, above all, whether we were lovers. How could I frame a question to get this information without making a break?

"I'll bet you can't remember your last words," I said playfully, "on the day I left you."  
 "I can," she said—"don't forget the candy."

"What a memory!"  
 "It was delicious. I almost made myself sick."  
 I was puzzled. Candy is sweet, but I fancied the last words of a young girl to her lover before parting for two years would have more depth to them.

"Well," I said, making another attempt to draw her out, "do you feel just the same as when we parted?"  
 "About what?"  
 "The most important thing you can think of."  
 "The most important thing I can

think of?" she said musingly. "Oh, I know! No, indeed I don't feel the same about what was the most important thing to me at that time."  
 "Any change there?"  
 "Where?"  
 "Why, in what you have just mentioned."

"Yes, indeed! What was it we were talking about? Oh, yes! I'm so glad to see you that I can't think of anything else."  
 "Well, about this change of heart?"  
 "Change of heart?"  
 "Yes. Weren't you saying you've had a change of heart?"  
 "No! What put that into your head?"  
 "Oh, tell me about that most important thing to you!"

"The most important thing when you left; not now. Well, I was to have a new dress, and I was in a great quandary as to whether I'd have it made up with large or small sleeves. You know, then they had been wearing small sleeves so long that there was sure to be a change very soon."

I gave an impatient grunt. I was not getting on. Here was I playing the part of another not knowing whether that other was cousin, uncle, brother or lover. The situation was distressing.

"Do you mean to tell me," I said, "that your heart has had no emotional upheavals since I last parted with you?"

She turned and looked me square in the face. "Emotional upheaval!" she repeated. "Aren't those words both too big to be put together?"

"What I mean is does your heart occupy the same position it occupied two years ago, or has it changed?"  
 "You remember that position was equivocal."  
 "I understand that perfectly well, but an equivocal position may become a settled one."

"Well, then, I don't mind telling you that the position is settled. My mind is made up."

I was getting deeper in the mire rather than getting out of it. Every moment I dreaded lest I would be called upon to make some explicit statement that would give me away. I had taken a kiss from a stranger I had no right to take, and now I was piling up the sin by endeavoring to extract from that stranger her heart's secret. Nevertheless I pushed on.

"Well, what is the result?"  
 "That things are the same as they were before anything happened."

I was getting red in the face. Though the air was delightfully cool, I took out my handkerchief and mopped my face. Having lost my assurance, I began to fancy all kinds of unpleasant happenings. Another train might come in and bring the real Wardwell. I remembered that on consulting the railroad time table before starting there were two trains I might take fifty minutes apart. I took the first.

"I'm disappointed," said Miss Ellison.  
 "Disappointed! Why?" I asked.  
 "I don't believe you are glad to see me a bit."

"How can you say that? I was never happier in my life."  
 My looks belied my words. I was never more miserable.

"You seem to be bored rather than happy."  
 This was said with an expression of disappointment.

"What you mistake for being bored," I said, "is really pain. When I left you it was under certain conditions, known only to us two."  
 "And one other."  
 Another stumper.

"After an absence of two years isn't it natural that I should wish to know how those conditions now stand?"

In my agitation I had changed positions so often that my chair now faced the ladies sitting on the other end of the piazza. One of them gave me a bow or half a bow, as though fearful of not being recognized. Her face was familiar to me. I knew that I was acquainted with her, but I couldn't place her. I was also sitting with my back to the direction from which a stage was approaching. I heard the creak of wheels, but was too intent upon other matters to heed it. It stopped before the door. I turned in time to see a man who very much resembled myself coming up the steps. He stopped and stared at me. I stared at him. Miss Ellison burst into a laugh.

"Frank," she said, giving him a duplicate of the kiss she had given me, "this is Mr. Edwards. He came an hour ago, and I mistook him for you. Had not Mrs. Gordon, who knows him, told me when he went in to register who he is I should have continued to be deceived."

She looked at me and burst into another laugh. If I looked as I felt I must have resembled a man who had been tarred and feathered, ridden on a rail and then keelhauled. My legs would scarcely support me.

Then she kindly came to my rescue. The real Mr. Wardwell went inside to register, and Miss Ellison bade me be seated and said:

"Don't be troubled. It was my mistake, and you were led into it very naturally. Mr. Wardwell is my half brother. When I saw him last I was meditating accepting an offer of marriage. I declined it."  
 "Thank God!"  
 "And this is the explanation," she continued, with a smile, "of what I was saying to you. But what is the 'thank God' for?" turning away her face and continuing the smile.

"For two things—first, that you declined the offer and, secondly, that Mr. Wardwell is your half brother instead of your lover."  
 "This is quite too much," she said, rising, "for an hour's acquaintance. You should speak to Mrs. Gordon." I left that hotel engaged.

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