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CANALS IN ENGLAND.

They Had Their Origin In a Matrimonial Disappointment.

The British system of artificial inland navigation, which includes sev-PHONE 21 OVER POST OFFICE eral thousand miles of canal, may be said to have had its origin in a matrimonial disappointment. The Duke of Bridgewater, the originator of the system, was engaged to be married just after he had attained his majority. A dispute arising between the couple, the match was broken off. The duke's chagrin changed the course of his life. He gave his first and last ball to the London world of fashion and then burfed himself among his coal fields at Worsley. Eschewing the society of women, he refused even to employ them as servants in his manor house.

Disappointed in marrying the most beautiful woman in England, he determined to unite by means of a canal his coal fields with Manchester, then beginning its career as a manufacturing town. In those days good roads were the exceptions, bad roads the from 1 to 5 p. m. and from 7 to 8 p. m. rule. The cottons of Manchester and Delta avenue and Ninth street, over the woolens of Leeds were conveyed Minnewasca Furniture Co's store. from place to place on pack horses. which jogged along in single file. The freight charge from Leeds to London was \$63 a ton. When the duke's canal Fine Furniture, Undertaking, Up other commodities in Manchester fell dealt in hoes, rakes and shovels as well one-half.

The success of this canal started the duke to build one which would connect Manchester with Liverpool. To procure the funds he reduced his personal expenses to £400 a year. So "hard up" he would send his steward upon a collecting tour among the tenantry of the ducal estates. The steward would ride from tenant to tenant. getting £5 here and £10 there. When he had collected money enough he would return and pay the canal labor ers their weekly wages. In a few him an annual revenue of £80,000 .-New York Press.

THE WORD MELODRAMA.

Originally Meant a Play In Which Music Was Introduced.

Nowadays "melodrama" is in general use as denoting a purely sensational play, with an all but impossible hero. heroine and villain among the characters represented. Formerly the word kept more closely in its signification to in the back-sold it with intent to decompounded of the Greek words melos, a song, and drama, an action. a play, and was applied to two sorts ed upon it as a wrong to all humanity. of performances when it first came into use

It signified a play, generally of the romantic school, in which the dialogue was frequently relieved by music, sometimes of an incidental and some times of a purely dramatic character. On the strength of his "Pygmalion" J J. Rousseau is credited with the invention of this style. Some of the so called English operas of the older school, such as the once famous "Beggar's Opera" and the once popular "No Song, No Supper," are in reality true

melodramas. In the second place "melodrama" was applied to a peculiar kind of the atrical composition in which the actor recited his part in an ordinary speaking voice, while the orchestra played a more or less elaborate accompaniment appropriate to the situation and calculated to bring its salient features merit of the invention of this descrip tion of melodrama belongs to George Benda, who used it with striking effect in his "Ariadne auf Naxos," pro duced at Gotha in 1774.—London Globe.

Familiar Quotations.

One of the most familiar quotations from the Bible which are not to be found there upon research is "the lion lying down with the lamb." The spirit of the reference is correct enough, but turn up the passage in Isaiah and you will find: "The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid, and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together." The popular mind has condensed the zoological miscellany, and to the incorrect version alliteration has no doubt contributed.-Exchange.

Denmark's Outdoor Theater. Denmark has probably the finest natural outdoor theater in the world. It is situated in the royal deer park about avenues of mighty trees serve as wings to see. and background to a stage fronted by a beech encircled slope that forms a people can be accommodated at every

Couldn't Manage It. The doctor had looked at the patient's tongue, taken his temperature, felt his pulse and was at the point of leaving the room when he paused to say to the sick man's wife:

"Madame, in addition to your giving the medicine I have prescribed, I wish you would see that every morning your husband gets a shower bath."

The woman looked worried. doctor," she propounded anxiously, "what am I goin' to do the mornin's we don't have no showers?".

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About Them All the Lovers

AND A BEAR TRAP

By C. B. LEWIS.

Had Nothing to Say.

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Tom Barlow, the youngest of the village merchants, agreed with all others. He had driven out to see Jennie on half a dozen occasions on Sunday aft ernoons, and it was whispered around that a marriage would come of it. The father had scratched his head and said nothing, but in his own mind he had regarded it as a good match.

All was going well when an interrupwas finished the prices of coal and tion suddenly occurred. Mr. Barlow as in dry goods and groceries. Uncle Peter bought a hoe of him and started into the cornfield one morning to make the dirt fly. The hoe pleased him, the air was balmy and the corn was knee high and still growing. He was hum straitened was he at times that the ming to himself and wondering how London bankers hesitated to discount long before he would lose Jennie when his note for £500. Sometimes when he pulled over a sod with his hoe and caught sight of a big fat mole under-

little to do with the future prosperity of Adams county, but Uncle Peter jumped in with intent to slaughter. He made three co four blows with the hoe and final ne tremendous blow. years, however, the duke's canals paid him an annual revenue of £80,000.— same time to handle of the hoe was broken and the old man fell forward and plowed his nose into the ground He got up mad. He was mad at the mole, the hoe and himself, and he jumped up and down and used cuss

> One does not remain mad at himself very long. He finds some one else to blame for the whole thing. In this case Uncle Peter put the calamity on the shoulders of Mr. Barlow. He had sold him a hoe handle that was weak sold short tons of hay more than once. but when any one cheated him he look He was near the roadside fence when he massacred the mole, and be had just got the dirt out of his mouth after the fall when a man be knew came driving along in his buggy.

He naturally asked what was the matter, and the old man cut loose. He called the merchant a cheat, fraud and swindler and vowed by the whiskers of his ancestors that he would never never buy aught more of him. He wanted his words repeated, and they

When the father went up to the house after another hoe and the daughter asked what was the matter he had more to say about the merchant and something particular to say to her. He made more fuss about that broken hoe handle than the county commissioners had in building a bridge over Goose creek, and he ended off with:

"Now, you gal, listen to me. If that into the highest possible relief. The swindler ever sets foot on my land ag'in I'll c-r-u-s-h him as I would a-a-a

Jennie argued and protested and tried to soothe, but the father was obdurate. He told her of the message he had sent to town, and she wrote a few lines of excuse to Mr. Barlow and sent them by a passing boy.. That afternoon several persons had several theories to advance to themselves.

Uncle Peter held to his anger. His theory was that Mr. Barlow would drive out in the evening and try to get speech with Jennie and seek to excuse his disgraceful conduct in selling for 25 cents a hoe not worth a dime.

Jennie's theory was that the merchant would drive out with half a dozen hoes in his buggy and tell her fa ther to take them all, but she feared the result. The old man was mad all through, and it always took him at least a week to get over one of his fits Old Mrs. Davis, who lived just across the road, heard something about the broken hoe, and her theory was that there would be a row of some sort and six miles out of the capital. There the | that she would be there to hear and

The merchant didn't have any particular theory He simply made up his perfect auditorium. Eight thousand mind to drive out to Uncle Peter's and tell him to come in and help himself to hoes, rakes and shovels without

stint. Nothing further of moment happened during the day. It was after supper when Uncle Peter was milking the brindle cow that he got another theory. It might have worked well had not his daughter observed him half an hour later oiling up the springs of a bear trap that had hung in the barn for the last twenty years. Then she got a new theory. Her father hoped and intended that some one should walk into that trap. It must be the man who sold him the deceptive hoe that he was lay-

ing for. Old Mrs. Davis kept her eye on the Scott homestead between sundown and dark, and, though no tragedy took place, she turned to her husband and

"Andrew, something is goin' to happen. I feel it in my bones. I've got a theory that there's goin' to be awful doin's across the road tonight."

Father and daughter sat on the porch till the clock struck 9, and then the girl arose and entered the house to go to bed. That was his chance. He jumped down on the grass and ran for his bear trap and set it just inside the gate and ten minutes later was winding up the clock with an innocent expression of countenance calculated to deceive the

"Now, why did father linger behind?" asked Jennie of herself as she went upstairs, and, poking her head out of a front window, she saw him engaged in some nefarious business on the path-something that she investigated fifteen minutes later and dragged to one side on the lawn.

The merchant had been detained. He had also forgotten that farmers retired to their beds when the hens went to roost. It was 10 o'clock when he came driving out. Jennie heard him meet him. Knowing her father as she did, she knew that a present of a dozen new hoes that night would not suffice to soothe his injured feelings. It would be best to notify Mr. Barlow of this fact and turn him back and say poses. good night.

with a new theory. It was to the effect that some lightning rod men might come along in the night and seek to arouse the house for lodgings and step into that waiting bear trap. He was about to get up when he remembered that a man of lightning had cheated him out of \$10 five years becision when old Mrs. Davis said:

"Andrew, I'm goin' to get up and go ity. over to Scott's. "What fur?" he dreamily asked. "I've got a theory that Uncle Peter

has hung himself in the woodshed." had a theory yet that didn't turn out right. I'm goin' right over there, and

if you hear me yell out you'll know what has happened." escaped her notice. The woodshed to every well regulated house is in the rear. It was so in the case of the Scott home. To reach it old Mrs. Da vis had to leave the straight path, and

Uncle Peter heard it as he was beginning to dream of broken hoe handles and fat moles, and he jumped out of Old Mr. Davis heard it as he dozed and wondered about theories, and out stand on end. Jennie and Mr. Barlow heard it and started forward with exclamations of alarm, and thus it happened that the four reached old Mrs Davis at about the same time. She

had been caught in the bear trap, of

course. In leaving the path she had

afterward, that the last day had come and she was ready to sail away. There was an exciting time for the next ten minutes. The poor old woman was frightened half to death and a good deal bruised by the teeth of the trap, and while she was being carried across the road her husband was announcing his determination to have satisfaction under the law. Uncle Peter realized that his theory had failed, and Jennie and Mr. Barlow had been discovered conspiring, as it were. It wasn't until the victim had been put to bed, her hurts attended to by a doctor and her husband calmed down by a promise that the right thing should be done that Uncle Peter turned on

the young folks and demanded: "Well, what you got to say about all "Nothing, father," answered Jennie.

"Nothing, Mr. Scott," added the mer-"Waal, I dunno as I have either,"

observed the mole killer as he jogged into the house and left the others at the gate to talk things over.

Bricks That Float. At the present time there is no par ticular demand for a brick that will ed as a curiosity the world around. used as an insulation in the construction of cold storage plants, breweries and refrigeration plants and is meant to take the place of cork, flax, charcoal fiber and sawdust, all of which are imperfect insulating materials, the use rot, or are otherwise offensive. The brick in waterproofing is so burned these bricks being cast upon the waters will float along like a block of wood.-Scientific American.

PETITION SUPERVISORS TO ABOLISH COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM

Delta, Menominee, and Dickinson county have a long tale of woe regarding the county road system, and now comes Luce. The Newberry News, voicing the popular dissatisfaction, says:

A petition signed by the leading men

in the county was presented to the board of supervisors at their meeting held last week, praying them to abolish the present board of county road commissioners. No action was taken by the supervisors at this meeting, but a cauvass of the members showed a unanimous sentiment in favor of its adoption, and it is almost a certainty that at their

next meeting a resolution submitting

the question of abolishment to the vot-

ers at the April election will be adopt-This, at first glance, when many counties are advocating the adoption of coming and walked down the road to the county road system may seem like a retrograde movement. It is not. In fact it is the initial step toward submitting a bonding proposition to the voters of the county for good roads pur-

Because of a number of reasons, which At about the hour mentioned above it is unnecessary at this time to mention Uncle Peter roused up out of a doze in detail, there exists a general dissatisit has worked out in this county. In the last analysis the blame lies with the people more than with the system. Members of the board of county road commissioners are elected in the spring elections when but little interest is fore, and he therefore decided not to manifested in things political. Membudge. He had just come to this debers of the board have not always been Bark River and Ford River. men of the highest integrity and abil-

There has been some scandal, much extravagance and some mighty poor work done on the roads.

The News does not wish to criticize "Don't say 'nonsense' to me. I never too harshly the gentlemen who have at Daters, Paper Clips, Stamp Pads, Pen various times held membership on this Racks, etc., at board. There have been able men on the board and there have been some She partly dressed and left the mighty poor sticks. They may not at house. Jennie and Mr. Barlow and all times have had the proper support the horse and buggy were not so far and encouragement from the people and away that she could not have made the board of supervisors, but if they pendence Lumber company is operating actual derivation. "Melodrama" is fraud and deceive. Uncle Peter had them out had she been less occupied have not there's a reason. And the more extensively than ever before. The with her theory, but as it was they reason lies largely in the prevailing mills at Big Bay are being operated opinion that they were using their offices in many instances for feathering employed. This company is conducting their own pockets. In fact the county especially vigorous woods operations system has been worked along the lines and expects to get out a considerably of the township system with the same larger cut than last wir ter. she hadn't made above ten steps when there was a scream and a long drawn results-poorly constructed road at a yell to freeze the blood of all hearers. cost out of all proportion to the work.

There is a growing sentiment throughout the county in favor of good roads Luce county, in common with her sister pany and some by jobbers. This firm counties, realizes she must get into the is shipping lumber very freely. good roads game if she would attract of bed he came with his hair trying to settlers and develop her agricultural re-

A proposition to bond the county for \$100,000 for the construction of good roads is being earnestly advocated The stumbling block appeared to be the lack of confidence by the people in the present system, many being out stepped fairly into it, and as the jaws came together she felt, as she said spoken in their declaration that they would never vote for a bonding proposition under the present conditions.

> If the feeling antagonistic to the present system is as prevalent as it is said to be, there is no question but that it carried on. will be abolished at the April elections.

Following this a bonding proposition will be submitted the electors, and should this carry, an expert road builder will be employed and the money expended under the direct supervision of the county board of supervisors.

The plan looks feasible and is in line with the present tendency in governmental affairs of abolishing the multiplicity of boards, with which the taxpayers are burdened, and concentrating the reponsibility into a few hands.

ON THE TARIFF. Our dispatches from Washington

vesterday chronicled the fact that the government's department of justice is going to keep a close watch on the shoe business, having heard rumors to the effect that shoes are going to be advanced in price and suspecting a violation of the Sherman anti-trust law, on the float, but such a thing will be regard- part of the shoe manufacturers. Let us go back a little ways on this question of mill at Carlshend is not operating at This special brick is designed to be shoes. When the last tariff law was en. present.-Mining Journal. acted we were all told that the easiest way to save on the cost of living would be to take the tariff off the things we have to buy, such as wearing apparel. We were assured that the only way to of which is attended by foulness and get a reduction in the price of shoes was by taking the tariff off leather. They did it. And the price of shoes has not that 45 per cent of its volume is con- declined one bit. In fact they are now fined air, with the result that one of trying to raise the figures. What sort of a joke is this tariff thing, anyway? a. m., 2 to 5 and 7 to 8 p. m. They howl now about that indefensible tariff on woolens. That is something 37

that makes a difference to every one of us for we all use woolen clothing. And when they get through electing insurgent congressmen on the woolen tariff argument, how much of a reduction can we expect in the price of a suit of clothes? Just about as much as they gave us in shoes when we took the duty off leather-Houghton Gazette.

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SUCH LEGISLATION!

The fact that the refund of county road tax will work great injustice and detriment to the cause of road building in rural Delta county has already been pointed out by this newspaper and others in the county. This refund is under cloak of act 283 of 1909, which directs that the road tax shall be refunded to any township which has bonds issued to defray the cost of state reward roads.

A man who is in a position to know claims that the door is shut on further refunds by the act of the legislature last winter (Act 168 of 1911) which amends section 26 of chapter 4 of the road law. The bill was evidently intended to do so, but it does not say so. It amends section 26, striking out the refund clause, and provides "that the provisions of this act shall not apply to any faction with the county road system as township" which has in good faith issued bonds according to the former law. Now the "provisions of this act" can hardly be the eliminated clause, which is no longer in the act. The grammatical and logical effect of the statute appears to be that there is no road law of this state, as regards the townships of

Really, why is a legislature?

EVERYTHING TO DO BUSINESS

In office, or at home, in the line of desk supplies, such as Letter Files,

STEWART'S PHARMACY.

IN THE WOODS

At and near Big Bay the Lake Indesteadily and a large force of men are

At Birch the Northern Lumber company's mill is running steadily and the usual amount of logs are being cut in the woods nearby, some by the com-

Godwin & Schweiter, of Marquette, have logging camps at Pickerel Lake and Forestville, and expect to get out a good sized cut this winter.

The Schneider & Brown mill at Marquette is running all winter and the firm has opened a logging camp near Green Garden.

The McReavy mill at Mangum is being operated steadily and the same is true of the Cothers mill at Yalmar. The Dalton mill at New Dalton is also being operated with a full crew and extensive woods operations are being Peterson Bros., at Skandia, are not

running their mill just now, but logs are being cut in the woods and the firm expects to do at least as large a business as last season.

The Cleveland Cliffs Iron company is operating as heavily as usual at Rumley and also along the East Branch of the M. M. & S. E. and the Rapid River branch of the Soo line.

Other concerns operating between Little Lake and Munising and along the East branch are: Munising Paper company, hemlock logs; Superior Veneer & Cooperage company, Munising; Munising Woodenware company; Great Lakes Veneer company, Munising; Munising Leather company, tark; Forster Lumber company, logging mostly cedar, on East Branch; C. H. Worcester company. Chassell, logging at Cusino, and the firm of B. J. Goodman & Sons, who are operating a mill and getting out logs at Little Lake. The Manigold

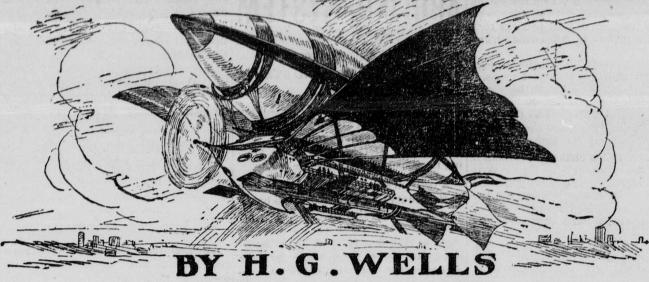
TAX NOTICE

The tax roll of the city of Gladstone is now in my collection, and payment may be made at my office. On all taxes paid before January 10, 1912, the fee is one per cent. After January 10 the collection fee of four per cent will be charged. My office hours are 9 to 12

JAMES D. McDonald

City Treasurer.

The WAR IN THE AIR



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ders across the space. "But you can't

go into the gas," protested Bert. "You

The lieutenant opened a cupboard

door and displayed a diver's suit, only

that it was made of oiled silk, and

both its compressed air knapsack and

its helmet were of an alloy of alumin-

ium and some light metal. "We can

go all over the inside netting and stick

up bulletholes or leaks," he explained.

"There's netting inside and out. The

whole outer case is rope ladder, so to

Aft of the habitable part of the

airship was the magazine of explo-

sives, coming near the middle of its

length. They were all bombs of va-

rious types, mostly in glass. None of

the German airships carried any guns

at all, except one small pompom, to

use the old English nickname dating

from the Boer war, which was for-

ward in the gallery upon the shield at

azine amidships a covered canvas gal-

lery, with aluminium treads on its

floor and a hand rope, ran back under-

neath the gas chamber to the engine

never saw the engines. But he went

up a ladder against a gale of ventila-

tion-a ladder that was incased in a

right athwart the great forward air

chamber to the little lookout gallery

with a telephone, that gallery that

bore the light pompom of German

sium alloy, the tight front of the air-

and the black eagle sprawled over-

whelmingly gigantic, its extremities

all hidden by the bulge of the gas

perhaps and looking very small and

The realization that there was Eng-

was struck by a quite novel idea. Aft-

people could not have done so very

much to him. And even if they did,

ought not an Englishman to die for his

erto been rather smothered up by the

cares of a competitive civilization He

became violently depressed. He ought,

he perceived, to have seen it in that

He was passing between Manchester

Kurt and he fell talking of aerial

tactics and presently went down to

airships of the right wing had picked

up over night and were towing be-

at the ends of invisible cords. They

"Your machine is different from that,

"Quite different," said Bert. "More

like an insect and less like a bird. And

it buzzes and don't drive about so.

Kurt was not very clear upon that

himself and was still explaining when

Bert was called to the conference we

And after that was over the last

traces of Butteridge fell from Bert

like a garment, and he became Small-

ways to all on board. The soldiers

ceased to salute him, and the officers

ceased to seem aware of his existence,

ed out of his nice cabin and packed

to be junior, and the bird headed of-

ficer, still swearing slightly and car-

to mess, he was told, with the men.

"What's your real name, then?" said

"I thought you were a bit of a fraud

-even when I thought you were But-

took it calmly. He's a pretty tidy

blazer when he's roused. He wouldn't

stick a moment at pitching a chap of

fit. No! They've shoved you on to

[To be continued.]

"I won't forget," said Bert.

Kurt, who was only imperfectly in-

formed of the new state of affairs.

"Small ways."

light before. Wasn't he a traitor?

and Liverpool, Kurt told him.

tails, with lateral propellers.

What can those things do?"

have recorded with the prince.

Mr. Butteridge?"

far down under the soaring

can't breve it."

speak."

PROLOGUE OF THE STORY.

Germany, hating the Monroe doctrine and ambitious for world's supremacy, secretly builds a vast fleet of airships and plans to surprise the United States by means of a sudden attack. Her airship fleet consists of great dirigibles of the Von Zeppelin type and small aeroplanes called Drachenflieger.

Prince Karl Albert commands the German airships. Germany and England have both been endeavoring to buy an extraordinary flying machine invented by Alfred Butteridge, who arrives at a British seaside resort in a runaway balloon, accompanied by a lady in whom he is interested.

Bert Smallways, a motorcycle dealer in hard luck, who is in love with Miss Edna Bunthorne, and his partner, Grubb, are impersonating a pair of "desert dervishes" at the seashore. Bert catches hold of the basket of the balloon and falls into it just as Butteridge and the lady fall out.

The balloon carries Bert across the North sea. He finds drawings of Butteridge's airship in some of Butteridge's clothing and hides the plans in his chest protector. His balloon drifts over Germany's immense aeronautic park. German soldiers shoot holes in it and capture Bert. They think he is Butteridge. Soldiers carry him to the cabin of the Vaterland, flagship of the air fleet. Lieutenant Kurt guards him. The vast fleet starts across the ocean to attack New York. Graf von Winterfeld offers Bert £100,000 for the secret of Butteridge, whom Bert impersonates somewhat crudely.

Bert Meets the Prince.

GOT the plans," said Bert. "Yes; there is that! Yes, but away. you see the prince was interested in Herr Pooterage because of his romantic seit. Herr Pooterage was so much more-ah-in the picture. I am afraid you are not equal to controlling ly theological considerations came in, did not go, and from first to last he the flying machine department of our aerial park as he wished you to do. He hadt promised himself that.

"And der was also the prestige-the worldt prestige of Pooterage with us. Bert. Well, we must see what we can do." He held out his hand. "Gif me the

A terrible chill ran through the being of Mr. Smallways. To this day he is not clear in his mind whether he wept or no, but certainly there was weeping in his voice. "'Ere, I say!" he protested. "Ain't I to 'ave nothin' for 'em?"

The secretary regarded him with benevolent eyes. "You do not deserve anyzing!" he said.

"I might 'ave tore 'em up."

"Zey are not yours!" "They weren't Butteridge's!"

"No need to pay anyzing." Bert's being seemed to tighten toward desperate deeds. "Gaw!" he said, clutching his coat, "ain't there?"

"Pe galm," said the secretary. "Listen! You shall haf five hundert glare, "as ballast." poundts. You shall haf it on my promise. I will do that for you, and that is all I can do. Take it from me. Gif me the name of that bank. Write it down. So! I tell you the prince is no choke. I do not think he approffed of your appearance last night. No: I can't answer for him. He wanted Pooterage, and you haf spoilt it. The prince I do not understand quite. He is in a strange state. It is the excitement of the starting and this great soaring in the air. I cannot account for what he does. But if all goes well I will see to it you shall haf five hundert poundts. Will that do? Then gif

me the plans." "Old beggar!" said Bert as the door clicked. "Gaw! What an ole beggar! Sharp!"

And later in the day an extremely shattered and disorganized Bert Smallways stood in the presence of the

Prince Karl Albert. The proceedings were in German. The prince was in his own cabin, the end room of the airship, a charming apartment furnished in wickerwork, with a long window across its entire breadth, looking forward. He was sitting at a folding table of green baize, with Von Winterfeld and two officers sitting beside him, and littered before them was a number of American maps and Mr. Butteridge's letters and his portfolio and a number of loose papers. Bert was not asked to sit down and remained standing throughout the interview. Von Winterfeld told his story, and every now and then the words balloon and Pooterage struck on Bert's ears. The prince's face remained stern and ominous, and the two officers watched it cautiously or glanced at Bert. Presently he was | struck by an idea, and they fel! discussing the plans. The prince asked Bert abruptly in English, "Did you ever see this thing go op?"

Bert jumped. "Saw it from Bun 'ill, your royal highness." Von Winterfeld made some explana-

tion.

"How fast did it go?" "Couldn't say, your royal highness. The papers, leastways the Daily Courier, said eighty miles an hour."

They talked German over that for a time. "Couldt it standt still? Op in the air? That is what I want to know."

"It could 'ovver, your royal highness, like a wasp," said Bert. "Viel besser, nicht wahr?" said the prince to Von Winterfeld, and then

went on in German for a time. Presently they came to an end, and

rang a bell, and the portfolio was handed to an attendant, who took it the heart of the eagle. From the mag-

Then they reverted to the case of Bert, and it was evident the prince was inclined to be hard with him. Von Winterfeld protested. Apparent- room at the tail. But along this Bert for there were several mentions of "Gott!" Some conclusions emerged, and it was apparent that Von Winterfeld was instructed to convey them to kind of gas tight fire escape-and ran

"Mr. Schmallvays, you haf obtained a footing in this airship," he said, by disgraceful and systematic lying." "'Ardly systematic," said Bert. "I"- steel and its locker of shells. This The prince silenced him by a ges- gallery was all of aluminium magne-

"And it is within the power of his ship swelled clifflike above and below, highness to dispose of you as a spy." "'Ere! I came to sell"-

"Ssh!" said one of the officers. "However, in consideration of the bag. happy chance that mate you the instrument unter Gott of this Pooterage eagles was England, 4,000 feet below flying machine reaching his highness' hand, you haf been spared. Yes; you defenseless indeed in the morning sunwere the pearer of goot tidings. You will be allowed to remain on this ship until it is convenient to dispose of you. Do you understandt?"

"We will bring him," said the prince. and added terribly, with a terrible

"You are to come with us," said Winterfeld, "as pallast, Do you understandt?"

Bert opened his mouth to ask about the £500, and then a saving gleam of wisdom silenced him. He met Von Winterfeld's eye, and it seemed to him the secretary nodded slightly. "Go!" said the prince, with a sweep of the great arm and hand toward the door. Bert went out like a leaf before a

But in between the time when the Graf von Winterfeld had talked to the undergallery in order that Bert ing to a surrender to the house of ried the chief cities of Cleveland, Cinhim and this alarming conference might see the Drachenflieger that the commons. Canada rejected reciprocity with the prince, Bert had explored the Vaterland from end to end. He had found it interesting in spite of grave hind them, each airship towing three preoccupations. Kurt, like the greater or four. They looked like big box and equal suffrage. Francisco I. Manumber of the men upon the German kites of an exaggerated form, soaring air fleet, had known hardly anything of aeronautics before his appointment had long, square heads and flattened to the new flagship. But he was extremely keen upon this wonderful new weapon Germany had assumed so suddenly and dramatically. He showed things to Bert with a boyish eagerness and appreciation. It was as if he showed them over again to himself, like a child showing a new toy. "Let's go all over the ship," he said with zest. He pointed out particularly the lightness of everything, the use of exhausted aluminium tubing, of springy cushions inflated with compressed hydrogen. The partitions were hydrogen bags covered with light imitation leather. The very crockery was a light biscuit glazed in a vacuum and weighed next to nothing. Where except Lieutenant Kurt. He was turnstrength was needed there was the new Charlottenburg alloy, German in with his belongings to share that steel as it was called, the toughest and of Lieutenant Kurt, whose luck it was

most resistant metal in the world. There was no lack of space. Space did not matter, so long as load did not rying strops and aluminium boot trees grow. The habitable part of the ship and weightless hair brushes and hand was 250 feet long, and the rooms in mirrors and pomade in his hands, retwo tiers. Above these one could go sumed possession. Bert was put in up into remarkable little white metal with Kurt because there was nowhere turrets with big windows and air tight else for him to lay his bandaged head double doors that enabled one to in- in that close packed vessel. He was spect the vast cavity of the gas chambers. This inside view impressed Bert very much. He had never realized before that an airship was not one simple continuous gas bag containing nothing but gas. Now he saw far above him the backbone of the apparatus and its big ribs, "like the neu- teridge. You're jolly lucky the prince prietor; General Cronje, Boer war hero, ral and haemal canals," said Kurt,

who had dabbled in biology. "Rather," said Bert appreciatively. your sort overboard if he thought though he had not the ghost of an idea what these phrases meant.

Little electric lights could be switch- me, but it's my cabin, you know." ed on up there if anything went wrong the two officers looked at Bert. One in the night. There were even ladONGRESS' extra session was a which cost the lives of 144 persons, that it was called merely to take action upon Canadian reciproc-Among the many other matters

A GLANCE AT THE NEWS OF 1911

that absorbed its attention were the problem of reducing the tariff on wool, cotton and other schedules. But the bills relating to these subjects were vetoed by the president, who held that the tariff board had not been afforded sufficient time to report on them. The arrival of the reports, however, has led to another effort looking to the accomplishment of the proposed reductions. The Democrats control the house and, with the progressives, hold a senate majority. The situation is the first of the kind in sixteen years.

As to the Presidency. Politically the presidential campaign of 1912 took shape more or less. For months speculation has been rife as to the prospective candidates. That President Taft wants another term there now is no question, and lately it has been rumored that Governor Hadley of Missouri will be his running mate. Whether Colonel Roosevelt will seek



Copyright by American Press Association Colonel Roosevelt, Who May Figure In Presidential Campaign.

the presidential toga for the third term remains to be seen, although political wiseacres thought they saw the handwriting on the wall when there appeared a magazine article from the colonel's pen bearing on the trust question. Senator La Follette of Wisconsin will be in the race.

On the Democratic side Governors Harmon of Ohio and Wilson of New Jersey are avowedly in the field. Speaker Champ Clark and Representative Oscar W. Underwood are other possibilities.

More Politics.

A resolution to elect United States senators by a direct vote of the people land gave Bert sudden and unexpected was first lost in the senate by four qualms of patriotic compunction. He votes, later passing that body, but with an amendment in which the house has er all, he might have torn up those not yet concurred. plans and thrown them away. These Vote of the senate, 46 to 40, declared

William Lorimer of Illinois duly elect-

ed. President Taft accepted the resigcountry? It was an idea that had hith- nation of Richard Ballinger as secretary of the interior and appointed Walter L. Fisher of Chicago. The Sixtysecond congress convened on April 2, with Champ Clark as speaker. The United States recognized the republic Anglo-American and Franco-American arbitration treaties. The British house of lords passed the "veto bill," amountwith the United States at its annual election. California voted to adopt the initiative, the referendum, the recall dero was inaugurated president of Mexico. Hon. A. J. Balfour resigned as leader of the British Conservatives. The fur seal treaty between the United States, Russia, Japan and Great Britain became effective. John G. A.

Labor.

formed.

Leishman became ambassador at Ber-

lin, succeeding Dr. Hill, resigned. The

Progressive Republican league was

No highly sensational conflicts between labor and employer have occurred in the United States during 1911, but the trial of the McNamara brothers. charged with responsibility for the destruction of the Los Angeles (Cal.) newspaper building, which caused a death list of twenty-one, occupied the attention of the entire country.

The International Seamen's union. after tieing up shipping at ports of Great Britain and elsewhere abroad, won practically all its demands.

From the Year's Death List. United States Senator Stephen B. Elkins of West Virginia, aged seventy; Paul Morton, ex-secretary of the navy. aged fifty-four; Tom L. Johnson, former mayor of Cleveland, O., famous for his fight for 3 cent street car fares, aged fifty-six; United States Senator William Pierce Frye of Maine, aged seventy-nine; John W. Gates, known as "Bet You a Million Gates," aged fifty-six; John M. Harlan of United States supreme court, aged seventyeight; Joseph Pulitzer, newspaper proand Rear Admiral W. S. Schley, hero of Spanish-American war.

The Worst Disasters. The list of disasters was a long one.

busy one in spite of the fact the greater part of them young women; two mine disasters occurring almost simultaneously, one at Throop, Pa., in which sixty-two men and boys perished, and the other at the Banner mines in Alabama, where 128 died; the flood at Austin, Pa., due to a mill dam

giving way, taking a toll of seventytwo lives, and the explosion at Communipaw, N. J., in which thirty-five were killed. Besides the above, thirty persons were killed in a railroad wreck at Manchester, N. Y., twenty-six were killed at a moving picture calamity at Canonsburg, Pa., and an explosion killed eight men on the United States warship Delaware.

A tidal wave in the Philippines cost 300 lives in villages along the shores of Lake Taal.

The tragical also figured in the year's news abroad. Consternation was caused in Russia by an assassin's fatal attack upon Premier Stolypin. Bogroff, the assailant, was executed one week after the premier succumbed to his wounds. Shipwrecks in foreign waters cost several hundred lives, and an explosion of the magazines of the French battleship Liberte resulted in the death of 235 men.

America's New Cardinals.

The Catholic world was interested in the creation of a score of new cardinals, the number including Archbishop John M. Farley of New York, Archbishop William H. O'Connell of Boston, and Mgr. Diomede Falconio, apostolic delegate to Washington.

Foreign Disturbances. The revolution in China was fraught with startling happenings. Reports of horrible slaughter were frequent and American mission workers' lives were placed in jeopardy. Wu Ting Fang, former minister to the United States, headed the rebel cabinet. The government has given in to the extent of granting a constitution and parliament, and former Minister Wu declares his belief that the empire eventually will become a republic, which was the purpose of the revolu-

tionists at the time of the outbreak. Exciting incidents also attended the clash between Italy and Turkey. Italy struck first and with disconcerting suddenness.

Progress of Aviation. Man's conquest of the air was signalized by marvelous achievements. The most noteworthy of these was the flight from the Atlantic to the Pacific of Calbraith P. Rodgers, which was accomplished after Harry N. Atwood had traveled by airship from St. Louis, Mo., to Governor's island, New York,

a distance of 1,265 miles. The Upheaval In Mexico. The war in Mexico, which the insurrectos won, was followed with close interest in the United States. Indeed, Washington came near taking a hand in it, as the accidental wounding of a number of American citizens over the border, in Douglas, Ariz., led to the issuance of a stern command from this

Americans' lives. In the State of Ohio.

government not to further imperil

Brand Whitlock was elected as mayor of Toledo. O., for the fourth term. Mayor Whitlock, who broke into the political arena somewhat on the lines of "Golden Rule" Jones, who also was mayor of the same city, is known as an author as well as a politician. of Portugal. President Taft signed the The campaign in which he was elected was an incident of one of the warmest elections they have ever had in the Buckeye State. The Democrats car-



Brand Whitlock, Author, Elected as Mayor Four Times.

cinnati and Columbus, the new mayor of Cleveland being a disciple of the late Tom L. Johnson and the new mayor of Cincinnati a vigorous opponent of the Cox machine. The progressives elected the majority of members of the coming constitutional convention, assuming a provision for the initiative, referendum and recall. Perhaps the most sensational feature of spicuously in all ceremonies of religion the result, however, was that the Socialists elected mayors of eleven cities.

Earthquakes In 1911.

The year 1911 had just been ushered in when an appalling earthquake disaster was reported from Russian Turkestan, where thousands of people were said to have lost their lives. Mexico was shaken in June, with a loss of ing for any one? Bess-Yes, a hus-Probably the catastrophes that most life estimated to have been at least band. Maud-I didn't know she'd been shocked this country were the Asch 200. Shocks were felt in Germany and married. Bess-No, but she's mournbuilding fire horror in New York city, Switzerland in November. [52 B] ing for a husband all the same.

FRENCH-GERMAN COLORS.

Supposed Origin of the Tricolor and Teutonic Flag.

For five centuries black and white have been the Hohenzollern colors, and the first verse of the German war song, "Ich bin ein Preusse," is:

I am a Prussian! Know ye not my ban-Before me floats my flag of black and

My fathers died for freedom. 'Twas their manner

So say these colors floating in your

The mercantile marine tricolor of black, white and red is emblematic of the joining of the Hohenzollern black and white with the red and white. which was the ensign of the Hanseatic league. This flag came into being when the North German confederacy was established, Nov. 25, 1867, at the close of the Austro-Prussian war. The red and white represents the commercial prosperity of the nation, while the black and white symbolizes the strong arm of the state prepared to protect and foster it.

Nowhere have historical events caused so much change in the standards and national ensigns of a country as in France, remarks the Kansas City Star. The oriflamme and the chape de St. Martin were succeeded at the end of the sixteenth century, when Henry III. (the last of the house of Valois) came to the throne, by the white standard powdered fleur-de-lis. That in turn gave place to the famous tricolor, which was introduced at the time of the revolution, but the origin of that flag and its colors is a disputed question. Some maintain that the intention was to combine in the flag the blue of the chape de St. Martin, the red of the oriflamme and the white flag of the Bourbons. By others the colors are said to be those of the city of Paris. Yet again other authorities assert that the flag is copied from the shield of the Orleans family as it appeared after Philippe Egalite had knocked off the fleur-de-lis.

An Explanation.



men, by looking at your programs you will notice that two years are supposed to elapse between acts 1 and 2. Inasmuch as the constable has seized the costumes, I think it will be fully that long before we get things settled. Thanking you, one and all, for your uniform courtesy, etc.-New York Jour-

TRAIN ROBBERY IN RUSSIA.

Government to Build Armored Cars For Protection.

As bandits hold up trains and carry off large sums of money almost daily, the Russian government has decided to construct armored carriages for the use of the state bank. They will run regularly between St. Petersburg and Russia's principal towns.

They are to be of iron and will contain accommodation for a strong convoy of soldiers. Each wagon will be so planned that the guard can fire from it as from a fort. Each train will be under the command of an officer, who is to have full powers to open fire on all suspicious persons approaching the

The authorities have come to the conclusion that this is the only means of putting a stop to the prevailing lawlessness on Russian railway tracks. As the ordinary postal trains can only carry a small convoy, the raiders have things all their own way and have grown so daring that they now hold up trains in broad daylight and quietly bury their booty in a neighboring forest while the panic stricken passengers wait for them to set the engine driver

In future only mails and small sums of money will be sent by ordinary trains. Private banks will be able to hire accommodation in the armored trains. They will begin to run in a couple of months' time.

Too Many Elephants In Ceylon. The number of elephants in Ceylon is increasing so rapidly that they are becoming a terror to the traveler and a scourge to the planter, the latest estimate of the forest department placing their number at 5,000.

The great native land holders arranged therefore with the help of their tenants to relieve the latter of one of their grievances and at the same time to derive from the operation considerable sport and more profit, for in Ceylon the elephant has a very real market value, for he not only figures conand of state, but is employed in forest clearing, cultivation, irrigation and pretty much every other form of draft work, being when properly trained a useful and valuable animal.-Outing.

Her Mourning. Maud-Why is that lady over the way always in black? Is she mourn-

FASHIONS AND THE HOUSEHOLD

Costume of Swansdown and Velvet



THE USE OF PERFUMES.

Points to Bear In Mind if You Would Avoid Criticism.

If you buy the really good quality of purse flower perfumes and use a very | broadcloth. small amount you are comparatively safe, but even then certain kinds should be avoided. In using any perfume keep a sachet among your clothes rather than use a form that has to be applied. The kind of sachet powder that almost everybody likes is one of pure violet and orris. This gives a pleasant fragrance that is hardly noticeable.

Avoid anything containing musk or ambergris-they are the hallmarks of everything which you do not wish to with a stiff collar. have associated with you. Remember that if you make yourself conspicuous ionable with the present materials. -as you do if you use strong perfumes trains are fairly obligatory in evening a quart of boiled shrimps and lay hundred men were exposed to the au--you challenge criticism, and if there costumes, and the court train may is any detail of your appearance that is next be looked for. not quite perfect it is emphasized .-

Youth's Companion.

WINTER FASHION HINTS. :

Great favor is given new suits of

There are several charming adaptations of the sailor shaped hat.

Novelty waists for dressy wear show brighter colors.

The straight silhouette is the dominant fashion note.

Brocaded velvet with a very light new large sized bow ties for wear

Long skirts simply have to be fash- taste.

edge of evening gowns.

SPARING HOUSE LINEN.

Same Sheets and Pillowcases Should Not Be Used Too Often.

Few housekeepers realize that all linen in constant use will keep longer if it is allowed to "rest" at times. This a citizen of the Romagna, Italy. same principle holds good with garments and various tollet articles. Take, for example, the plan followed by a woman whose house linen is limited and who likes to make it last. She has a family of three and keeps out eight sheets each week. As soiled ones come in fresh from the laundry she places them always at the bottom of the pile, so in this way the same sheet is not used two weeks in succession, but is sure of a fortnight if not three weeks of "rest." In a store closet she keeps two other piles of eight, and every two months the sets of sheets that have been in use are put into the store place, another set being put into the cupboard for weekly use. The arrangement takes very little time, and it is more than worth while in the saving of linen. Pillowcases and towels she manages in the same way, only the quantity of the latter is greater. Her table linen is used for six months

and then put away for a year. Luxurious as it may sound to have of it is inexpensive, for the woman ing. buys a sheet or table cover occasionally and puts it away, thus keeping her packed from the orchestra stalls to the store in condition. At the same time top gallery. As soon as the doors were pieces wear out so slowly that there is never much loss to be made good at one time, and the pocketbook is saved accordingly.

in the center, and it repays to slit them down the middle to get the edges in the place. This is done by tearing them in two lengthwise. The selvages are then overhanded together with very fine cotton, that a big seam shall not be made, and then the raw edges are hemmed.' The life of a sheet is greatly prolonged if this is done in time.

Some New Salads.

pineapple into small pieces, add one cupful of walnut meats and one cup- and whistles. ful of orange pulp. Shred one head of lettuce very finely and form into could see that, for the conductor gave nests on individual plates. Mix one a preliminary look to the right and left cupful of mayonnaise and stir it light- of him at his orchestra, spread his ly with the pineapple, etc. Add more arms, his right hand holding up his mayonnaise if the fruit is not suffi- baton, and, looking once more at the ciently moist and heap into the little first violins, he gave the signal to belettuce nests. Decorate with chopped gin. walnuts.

rots, cucumbers and hard boiled eggs, were surprised to see, instead of the background is used for the top loop all cut in rings and sent to table with few feet and ankles of the ordinary against very dark velvet in one of the this dressing: Two tablespoonfuls of performers, a forest of boots. As the olive oil with one of lemon juice, with curtain rolled higher the muzzles of salt, pepper and a speck of sugar to rifles came into view pointing in every

> them on young lettuce leaves in a dience. salad bowl. Chill some mayonnaise and serve.

By IRENE N. POWELL. *******

"Whither, good friend, is the crowd going?" asked an American tourist of

"To the execution, senor." "And who is the poor devil to be ex-

"There are many of them, but none is of importance except Il Passatore."

"And who is Il Passatore?" "Have you never heard of Il Passatore, the brigand? Ah, he is a brave man! We have had daring men in Italy, but none has ever done the brilnever hear of the entertainment he

gave us some time ago?" "No. Tell me about it."

"Thanks, senor," pocketing a coin. "It was the last day of the carnival. The streets were packed with people, masked and in costume, throwing confetti and making all manner of noises. The police were in the streets, where the throngs were to be kept in order and scattered through the deserted parts of the town, for, you know, senor, that when everybody is masked such a quantity of linen, the gathering there are fine opportunities for pilfer-

"The theater of Formlipopoli was opened people pushed in to get those seats that were free to all. Long before the hour for the commencement of the performance every chair was oc-Linen sheets, like others, wear first cupied, and no more people were admitted. At a quarter of an hour before the time for raising the curtain had finished one piece the conductor looked for the signal to begin the music intended for the opening of the play. He waited some time, and, not impatient-he tapped his music rack with his baton for an extra piece.

"This piece finished, he waited again. Pineapple In Lettuce Nests.-Cut a Still there was no signal. The audience pounded and stamped, and the cupful of finely chopped celery, one boys in the top gallery gave catcalls

"Finally the signal came. Every one

"Slowly the great curtain rolled up-With cold chicken serve a salad of car- ward. Those familiar with the play direction from the parquet to the top Shrimp Salad a la Bretagne.—Shell gallery. There the full figures of a

"What departure from the opening Deep bands still prevail at the skirt sauce on ice, pour over the shrimps of the play was this? Who were these men, and why were their rifles pointed at the audience? The orchestra stopped playing. The conductor, his baton balf raised, was staring up at the men on the stage, bewildered.

"Then a man from among the riflemen on the stage stepped forward and, hat in hand, bowed profoundly to the audience. Four words from him were enough to send a thrill of horror over the assembly.

"'I am Il Passatore.'

"Then he told them that the theater was surrounded by his men, that the first man who attempted to resist or escape would be shot and that he and those with him on the stage would proceed to collect their valuables.

"At the conclusion of this brief speech, the audience sitting quiescent. he descended with his men from the stage and proceeded to collect from the audience money and jewels valued at \$400,000. Il Passatore then returned to the stage and said:

"'My friends, please accept my heartfelt thanks for the peaceful manner in which you have accepted the inevitable. Had any of you by resistance compelled us to discharge our rifles the noise would have been heard without. This would have brought a crowd outside, the guard there would have been overpowered, and, as for me and my brave men, we would have been shut up here like rats in a trap. I assure you we appreciate this kindly consideration in your not attracting any attention from without, while you have been also laying us under obligations for your abundant contribu-

tion.' "Having thus gracefully thanked his audience for their double favor, Il Passatore told them to remain in their seats while he and his band withdrew. Those bandits nearest the wings, their rifles still pointed into the theater, first disappeared behind them, then those next, until all had vanished. Then Il Passatore, throwing a kiss to the audience from the tips of his fingers, also passed out. The robbers had a free passage to the stage door, through which all of them went out into the open street and got away with their plunder before a single person in the audience could give the alarm. Indeed, those first leaving the theater were obliged to do so by the stage door through which the bandits had passed and unlock the doors for the

"Alas, senor, this brave leader and a hundred of his men have since been captured, and these people are hurrying by to see them all executed. Perhaps many of the crowd were in the theater the bandits plundered. May

"The plundered?" "No; the brave bandits." ABOUT RELIGION.

Important Occurrences In the Field of Christian Work.

A SEMINARY FOR PRIESTS.

American Catholics Will Build School of Education For Members of Priesthood Destined For Heathen Missions. Other Facts of Interest.

Great is the gratification of American Catholics at the result of an appeal made to Rome for permission to establish in this country a large seminary for the education of priests desliant work that he has done. Did you tined especially for heathen missions in foreign lands. It had been the fond dream of the leaders of the church here for many years. Individual priests have gone as missionaries from the church here to many foreign lands, but there never has been a special school for their education or a special society to back up the work.

When the suggestion was made at Rome by two American priests sent there for the purpose it was expected that the permission would be slow in forthcoming, for such matters necessarily move only with much winding and unwinding of red tape. But this time the hearing, the decision and the permission were all given with a quickness that made the two emissaries from the church here gasp.

At the annual meeting of the Americar archbishops, held last spring in Washington, it was agreed that the sion society and the establishing in his labor. this country of a training school for priests destined to work among the the orchestra began to play. When it un-Christian peoples of the Philippines, China, Asia and Africa, and Rev. Thomas F. Price of Raleigh, N. C., and Rev. James A. Walsh of Boston were instructed to go to Rome for the necgetting it-the audience was becoming essary authorization and to visit the seminaries of Europe for the purpose of securing information needed for the development of the work.

They were cordially received by the holy see, and, to their surprise, other matters of moment were put aside to receive them immediately. After hearing the plan outlined they were asked several questions about the plans, and without delaying the matter official permission was written. They then went across to the college of the propagation of the faith, where Cardinal Gotti and two others were sitting before the summer vacation, and were again promptly received. Their plan was gone over, and Cardinal Gotti at once wrote to Cardinal Gibbons, telling him that the papal permission was given. It was the quickest example of official action on the part of the church authorities that had ever come under the attention of the American branch of the church.

The two priests then went to different parts of Europe where the great mission seminaries are located and studied them and have now returned to America and commenced the organization here

It was at first thought that the new seminary should be located near the Catholic university at Washington, where a cordial welcome had been assured by the cardinal-archbishop of Baltimore and the university itself, but gradually the organizers came to feel that the scope of the work, which should be nation wide, would call for a location farther north, so Hawthorn, N. Y., was selected as a desirable location.

Millions For Missions.

The report of the Methodist board of foreign missions, located in New York, shows a falling off in the regular receipts of \$83,797 as compared with last year. The total regular receipts were \$1,072,997, as against \$1,156,794

Special gifts this year were \$438,000, as against \$320,000 the year before, an advance in gifts to foreign missions by Methodists of \$34,000. The indebtedness of the board last year was \$98,000 and this year \$73,000. New York's contribution to regular gifts of the board this year amounted to \$25,800 in the New York conference proper and \$28,300 in the New York east confer-

The gifts to home missions were \$1,-006,700 this year, as against \$1,019,000 last year, a total of Methodists' gifts for home and foreign work this year of \$2,079,600 in regular channels, and an even \$2,500,000 if special gifts to the same missions be included. Methodist women interested in foreign missions gave \$195,000 more than last. year, and those working for home missions \$105,000 more, or an advance for both of \$300,000. Total gifts by Methodist women amounted to \$1,724,000. or a total for two general boards and two women's boards, all Methodists, of \$4,224,000. This is the largest sum ever given in a single year by American Methodists to these causes and the largest missionary contribution made by any American religious body.

Criticises Theological Seminaries. Rev. L. D. Chase of Buffalo in an

address on "The Plural Pastorates and Specialization In the Ministry" severe- north or in a temperature 1 degree ly criticised the present methods used in the theological seminaries and predicted dismal results for the ministry if certain reforms were not soon introduced. The changes considered so necessary in the business, professional and political world because of the change in popular opinion, he said, created the need of a corresponding change in the education and training of the clergy, who had new problems overcome.

RICHES DUG FROM MUD.

Pearls Taken From River Beds and

Shells Used For Buttons. A writer in an Illinois paper estimates that \$2,000,000 is paid in that state every year for the pearls found in mussels taken from the river beds. This is the way he figures it:

"A professional buyer representing a French firm declares that he ordinarily pays out from \$200,000 to \$400,000 each season for fresh water pearls in this state," says the Illinois Statesman. "There probably are five other buyers whose dealings are as extensive who patrol the Illinois river, visiting the camps of the mussel seekers.

"That makes a total of \$2,000,000. But if it were possible to establish as strict a censorship over the quest for pearls in Illinois as in the diamond diggings of Africa and the actual number of pearls found, with their value, placed on record the estimate of \$3,-000,000 might be found to be far too

What really keeps the industry going is the fact that there is a steady market for the shells. Missouri now boasts of five factories that turned out 149,-815,728 buttons and blanks, valued at \$267,794. Iowa claims to lead the United States in button making, the city of Muscatine alone possessing thirteen factories.

Only the cheaper grades of buttons are manufactured in this country. From \$8 to \$20 a ton is paid for the shells. The highest grade is known as the "sand mussel." An industrious seeker of the mussels can clear up from \$2.50 to \$4 a day from the shells time had come for the organization of alone and regards the finding of a pearl the American Catholic Foreign Mis- as a welcome additional reward for

Sporting Term.



Ready to take the jumps.

VICTIMS OF WILD ANIMALS.

India Pays Large Tribute of Human Life to the Jungle.

India still pays its annual tribute of human life to the jungle. In fact, the number of deaths from snakebite or the attacks of wild animals has steadily increased during the last three years-a fact which the London Times attributes to the great floods. The rising waters have driven the serpents out of the lowlands up into the villages and have diminished through drowning the natural food supply of the larger wild beasts.

In 1910 55 persons were killed by elephants, 25 by hyenas, 109 by bears, 351 by leopards, 319 by wolves, 853 by tigers and 681 by other animals, including wild pigs. No less than 22,478 died from the bite of poisonous snakes. The grand total of mortality is 24,878. During the same year 93,000 cattle were also killed by wild beasts or

The losses on the part of the inhabitants of the jungle were nearly but not quite as great as those of their human enemies and the domesticated animals combined. Ninety-one thousand one hundred and four snakes and over 19,000 wild beasts of various kinds were killed.

snakes.

The Times also reports that a great many cases of snakebite were successfully treated with the Brunton lancet and permanganate of potash, but that it is, nevertheless, impossible to assert the value of its treatment, since no one knows whether all-or even a very large number-of the cases treated were caused by the bites of really venomous snakes.

Something About Temperature.

The temperature of the atmosphere cools on an average about 1 degree for every 300 feet that we ascend or warms at the same rate as we descend. The mean temperature at the north pole is about naught, at the equator between 80 and 90 degrees. We can therefore get into a mean temperature or climate 1 degree cooler for every seventy or eighty miles that we travel warmer for every seventy or eighty miles that we travel south.

Alaska Reindeer Increasing.

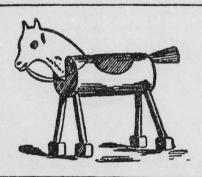
Thousands of reindeer are now in Alaska and are multiplying rapidly. The Eskimos and others who own them find them indispensable for food and useful for transportation of their produce. The meat of the reindeer is used extensively for food in the cities. to deal with and new difficulties to and it is said to be as good as the best beef.-Argonaut

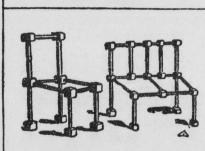
CORNER THE CHILDREN

OLD CORKS AND MATCHES.

Children Can Be Amused Easily With These Little Things.

Now that the long dark evenings are with us the following suggestions for amusing the small members of the household may be of assistance to mothers: A great deal of fun and amusement may be derived from some old corks and matches, for preference those that have been used. To begin with, some of the corks must be cut





Cork and Match Horse and Furniture.

up into little square pieces with a very sharp knife, and as a sharp knife is always a dangerous thing in little hands and as cork is at all times an awkward thing to cut the best plan is over again.

The matches should be cut into points at each end, when with slight pressure they can be inserted into the corks. In this way, with a little ingenuity, miniature chairs, tables, settees and other articles of furniture

may be manufactured. A chair and settee are illustrated made entirely of corks and matches, and it is a good plan to cut out small to the corks for the seats and backs. A cork and match horse is also shown. is used, the head and tail then sketch- foxes.

ed out on cardboard and cut out and

inserted into slits cut in the cork. A piece of fine string or cotton will make the reins, and four matches and four little squares of cork form the legs. An oval piece of colored paper pasted on the top of the cork represents the saddle and completes the

horse. All kinds of animals-pigs, sheep, cows, etc.-can be manufactured in this manner.

Beheadings. Behead words of equal length as fol-

Home of our ancestors and leave haunt of wild animals; a singing bird and leave a small, close vessel; the principal goddess worshiped by the Egyptians and leave a common appellation of a little girl; a buffoon and leave an indefinite number or quantity; to encourage and leave a wager; to flame and leave a vessel; a famous English college and leave a weight; a legendary hero and leave a measure; robust and leave a beverage.

The beheaded letters spell the name of a famous queen. Answer. - Words: Eden, lark, Isis, zany, abet, burn, Eton, tell, hale. Ini-

tials spell Elizabeth.

Try This. All you boys and girls at home, sit around a table and on the table place a lighted candle. Ask mamma for a funnel. If she has not one, make a paper funnel-you all know how. The game is to see which can blow out the candle through the funnel. It seems easy, but you will notice that if you place the funnel exactly opposite the light you cannot blow it out. Try it. We will explain the reason. As you blow through the funnel the wind folto cut the corks up for use, and when lows the sides of the funnel full upon a number of little squares have once the light and all the flame. To put been cut they can be used over and out the light you must hold the funnel either above or below the candle.

Facts About Dogs.

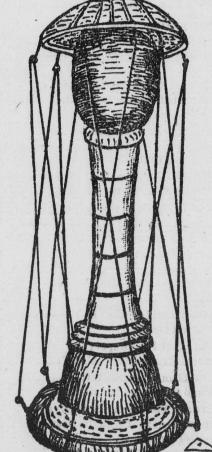
The spaniel is so called because the original breed came from Spain. The Spitz dog received its name hecause of its sharp nose, spitz in Ger-

man meaning "sharp point." Another funny dog is known as a dachshund because that word in German means "badger dog," and the pieces of cardboard and glue them on dachshund was first employed for

drawing badgers. Fox terriers were so named because For the body of the horse a whole cork in England they were used to hunt must be muffled by being rolled in folds

KOU OR CHINESE DRUM. Scares Away Evil Spirits and Invites Visits From Good Ones.

Kou is the Chinese word for drum, of which many kinds are used in China. Japan and Burma. Eastern drums differ from those of Europe in having their heads nailed on, not kept movable, as ours are for tuning purposes.



They are used for many purposesend of verses in the Confucian servof cloth.

A Chinese Kou.

The body is usually made of sandalwood, cedar or mulberry wood or else of baked clay.

on state occasions, to tell the hour during the night, to scare away evil spirits as well as to invite visits from good spirits and to play the "amens" at the ices. Tiny drums are also carried by peddlers when hawking their wares. Etiquette insists that on any occasion when the emperor is present all drums heaven comfort them!"

HOW TO PACK EGGS.

Vermont Woman Says Limewater Keeps Them For Years.

The following method of "putting down" eggs for winter use is practiced by a Vermont woman. She says: "Take a piece of unslaked or stone lime, put in a tin or agate pan and pour cold water over it. Put it in a sink or some place where it will do no harm, as it gets very hot. Soon you will see it begin to roll out white and soft. When slaked measure one pint of it, add one-half pint of salt, put in stone or earthen jar and add three gallons of cold water. When I put eggs in solution I am very careful not to crack one, else that one will grow hard and cannot be used. When cold put jar down cellar and put eggs in as you have them. Don't have jar more than half full of solution, as room must be left for the eggs. Can fill jar to within an inch of top, but let the brime be an inch or two over

"If not disturbed for awhile a thin | coating of ice will form on top, but it does no harm to break it and will not form the second time unless left a long while. The lye will settle to the bottom of the jar and the eggs be in the clear water. I have kept them (ac cidentally) for two years and saw no difference in looks or taste than from those put in earlier. There is no odor or taste of lime with this method, and eggs can be used in all ways that fresh ones are except to boil, and a teaspoonful of eider vinegar in a pint of water will permit their being boiled.

"You can whip the white as well as a fresh laid egg and as stiff. Have used this rule for seventeen years with perfect success, so feel confident it is all right if you use fresh eggs and are careful not to crack them in putting them in the jar. When slaking the lime cover with water, and if it seems very dry add a little more, but you don't want it soft enough to run. I would rather get a little less than too much water at first, as it can be added if needed.'

HOW TO CARE FOR A WATCH.

Suggestions That Will Lengthen Life

of a Timepiece. Here are a few rules about a watch that are worth while committing to

Wind a watch at nearly the same time each day. It is just as bad to wind too often as to let a watch run

Do not wind your watch too tight. This is responsible for many a visit to the jeweler.

Do not hold the watch by the stem and wind the watch as some women thoughtlessly do.

Do not carry a watch in bag or purse. If you cannot wear it outside your gown fasten it to your blouse on the inside.

Don't bang a watch down on table or bureau. If you will put it on its back see that it has a soft berth. Far better to hang a watch when not in use. Fascinating watch stands, with convenient hooks, are now sold for this purpose. They are ornamental and lengthen the life of a watch.

Do not subject your watch to intense heat or freezing. It is injurious, though the works be of the best.

Do not attempt to clean your own watch. When it is dirty or needs regulating, send it to the jeweler, and be sure that you find one that understands the mechanism of watches. There is as big a difference between watch repairers as there is in doctors, and not all can cure.

How to Iron Properly. Cover For Ironing Board.-Instead of using a sheet on the ironing board make a fitted slip of unbleached muslin or of the material used for flour sacks. Leave the slip open at each end and have it large enough to be easily drawn on or off.

To Iron Fine Tucks.-From an old linen tablecloth make a pad about twelve inches long and six inches wide and six or eight folds in thickness, stretch the tucks of the waist to be ironed over this, right side down, and when finished they will be straight and stand out nicely.

For Cream Materials,-When rinsing yellow and cream materials use clear water. The addition of bluing gives a thick gray appearance. This applies to both wool and cotton.-Housekeeper.

How to Wash Pongee. The way to wash pongee is not to use hot water or strong soap. Instead use a suds made from lukewarm water and pure white soap and then gently rub the goods with the handsnever on a washboard, as this tends to draw the threads. Rinse in several waters and hang out in the air until perfectly dry and then iron. Do not sprinkle or dampen the goods, as any moisture, even that of a damp cloth placed over the goods while ironing. will be certain to cause shadows. If this method is carefully followed pongee can be washed and look like new.

How to Dry Rubber Boots. If rubber boots become wet on the inside heat oats or coarse sand or newspapers crumpled until they are quite soft. Fill the boots with any of these. Repeat if necessary. Wash the dirt from the rubber overshoes with a wet sponge and then rub dry, for it will tend to rot them if left to dry on.

How to Extinguish Fire. Ordinary baking soda, either as a powder or dissolved in a little water, will put out a small fire immediately. It forms a gas-carbon dioxide-which smothers the flame. A small handful in a cup of water or by itself is nearly always sufficient.

See Here!

We have on hand about 100 barrels of Apples, this is more apples than we would like to have this time in the year, we offer for one week only any variety \$3.75 per barrel. folden Link Flour \$3.00 per 98 th sack Creamery Butter per lb Buckwheat Flour 45c 10 lb sack Fraham Flour 10 lb sack Whole wheat Flour 5 lb sack Corn Meal 10 lb sacks coffee in town for the money 27c Juneau Brand Coffee the best Old Time Coffee per lb_ Light House Coffee per lb

White House Coffee

PHONE 48

Happy Days

are not always the noisiest. The first months of this New Year 1912 may have as much comfort and content for you as the last month if you solace yourself with with some of the choice goods in glass or wood at the reliable buffet of

FRED ANDERSON

819 Delta

SNAP

The weather the last few days is a cold snap, indeed, but now our business is no snap. We are busy hustling out the orders and making prompt deliveries to our customers Call 164 for that hurry-up order.

Andrew Marshall

Phone 164

A LONG PULL

from now until the docks are busy again, but I have all the means for quick com-

fort at THE HARBOR

The best boarding house in the city and bar the furnished with everything you wish to call for.

STEVENSON

East End

KNOCKED HIM COLD.

A Retort Wholly Unexpected and Right to the Point.

Old John D. Conlon has been roasted to a brown juiciness in every big fire New York has experienced in the last quarter of a century, says a New York correspondent of the Cincinnati Times Star. He has fallen off ladders, floors have crashed down beneath him, he has been bitten by the dreaded back draft and crushed under toppling walls. It would seem that he has al most exhausted human emotion. Noth ing short of the day of final resurred tion, one would think, would make any real impression on him. But say "Chinaman" or "prince" and John D. Conlon, retired as battalion chief of Crystal Falls. the fire department, will turn red and wriggle uneasily "It was when Prince Cheng, father

of the present emperor of China, visit ed New York several years ago," say Conlon when he can be badgered into telling the story. "The prince wanted to see an American fire department in action, and he was sent down to hooks



"I WUD," SAID THE PRINCE.

came in, d'ye mind, a big chink in silk skirts, and about thirty more chinks trots solemnly along behint him. There was a chap that spoke Chinese along to interpret. I bows to the prince, and the prince he bows to me. and then all those thirty chinks in silk skirts they bowed to both. And the prince took out a gold cigarette box all ghlistenin' with jewels and offered me a cigarette.

"'Thanks, prince,' I says. But he didn't say anything at all, at all, and I thought to meself the old geezer can't speak English. So he pulls out a gold case all set with diamonds and takes a match out of it. He pulls up his petticut and strikes the match on the sole of his shoe.

"'It's a wundher, now,' I says to this interpreter, 'that the old chink wouldn't strike that match on the heel of his pants."

"'I wud,' says the prince, turning an eye on me that was as cowld and solemn as an owl's, 'I wud-if I was an Irishman.'

"Man," says Battalion Chief Conlon, retired, wiping his forehead and speaking with great feeling, "ye cud have had me head for a pin cushion. sthud there, wishin' that I might die."

Made Them Rhyme.

Moore, the Irish poet, was once at a dinner, and opposite to him sat a Mr. Reach, whose name Moore had seen in print but had never heard pronounced. The poet addressed him politely as "Mr. Reach."

"My name is Re-ack, sir!" said Mr. Reach indignantly. "Indeed!" replied Moore. "Well, Mr. Re-ack, will you kindly pass me a

Told Him Twice.

The English tourist in Scotland, if he has not gone through a previous course of instruction in northern polemics, is apt to find himself handicapped when entering into conversation, as shown by an amusing anec dote in a Glasgow paper.

Trongate encountered a crowd of the at Grafton Hall. street accident type. Obeying the universal impulse, he joined it and put the usual question, "What's the matter here?"

A carter took his pipe out of his mouth for greater clearness of speech | Edith in Minneapolis. and said, "Flaflafflarry." "I beg your pardon."

"Flaflafflarry."

"I'm very sorry," the Englishman Jr. said meekly, "but I don't understand what has happened.

The carter's neighbor turned angrily toward the inquirer. "Man, yer a thick heid. A'm shair he's telt ye twice that a fella fell aff a lorry."

Taking a Mean Advantage.

A Burr Oak man woke up the other

night to find his wife going through his pants pocket, where he kept his money. When he asked her what she was after she stammered and said she was "sewing on a button that had ap peared to be missing." And what did the mean old son of Adam do but get right out of bed and find two buttons on his coat, three on his vest and three on his underclothes that were just

about ready to drop off and sit there and make the woman sew 'em on, re marking all the time upon the thoughtfulness of such a loving little woman who would crawl out of bed just to see that her husband's clothes were in good repair.-Kansas City Journal.

Personals

The teachers of the city who spent their vacations at home, are returning to take up their duties Monday. The Misses Hazel Bush and Irene Stolpe passed the holidays at Marquette; the Misses Francis Wilson and |Kathleen Gillard at Alpena; Miss Virginia Cardinal at Iron Mountain, Miss Edith Salter at Marinette, Miss Mabel Freberg at Menominee and Miss Ellen Cayer at

James Smith is firmly convinced, as a result of his recent encounter, that an automobile which will kick a man in the eye is no lady, and he will tell Fred of Rapid River were in Gladstone Sat-Bendure so.

District Manager Cramer and a party from Gladstone are in Rapid River Friday night to install the officers elect of last ten days. 34, of which I was in command. He the local homestead of Yeomen.

Mrs. J. M. Beattie, accompanied by Mrs. Wiggins, left this week for Minneapolis, again to undergo medical treat-

Mrs. Anna Champion and Charles Champion spent Sunday at the home of Austin Cash at Wells.

Mrs. Victor Stenstrom, who spent this week to her home at Perkins, Christmas with her daughter in Chicago, returned Monday.

J. A. Hetrick has an additional promotion now. He is chief engineer of the axe factory this week and makes every effort to see that she turns over properly.

Roy, the young son of Jesse Denio, is lown with diphtheria.

P. J. Cannon returned Thursday night to Superior, accompanied by Mrs. Cannon and their baby, who has been

The six-day-old daughter of William Hanson died on Wednesday: the funeral was held the following day.

A son was born last Friday. December 29, to Mr. and Mrs. William Jacob-

Reinhold Nordgren is recovering from siege of pneumonia. Norman C. Kee returned Friday mor-

as been running. Mr. and Mrs. P. E. R. Miller, of witzer, Ont., are expected within a few

James Mitchell. The six-day-old daughter of Frank Louis died Friday, December 28. The funeral was held on Saturday.

Dr. A. H. Kinmond returned Tuesday evening from St. Johns, Mich.

Vanner Matson left Tuesday to spend a few days at Madison, Wis., where expects to study this fall. A son was born Wednesday, January

, to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Barrett. Mrs. W. J. Power spent Sunday and Monday with her mother, Mrs. O'Con-

nell, leaving for Minneapolis New Year's night. Victor Mallongree has taken a position as assistant to J. R. Barrett in the

grocery store. Henry Cardin, who spent the holi-

ays here, returns Saturday to his chool at Fayette. Mr. and Mrs. L. I. Rollins left Tues ay for their home at Bismark, N. D.

H. W. Cole, of Rapid River, was risitor in Gladstone Wednesday. Elmer Beaudry opened for business

Cuesday at his stand in the Champion lock on Central Avenue.

rom the axe factory at Watson. Harry Micks came up Sunday from

Chicago, where he is employed, to spend New Year's at home. He returns toorrow. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Charland, of Mar-

uette, visited Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Jagnon Sunday and Monday.

Miss Estella Champion leaves Monday An English tourist going along the for Fond du Lac to resume her studies

Gilbert Johnson left Tuesday for Boudah's camp on the Beaver branch.

Miss Ethel Hood returns tonight from pending the holidays with her sister

Mr. and Mrs. George F. McEwen and baby George spent New Year's at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Marble,

business Tuesday. Mrs. Axel Peterson is the guest of her

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex King. Miss George Slining left Tuesday for Chicago to resume her studies.

Edward Poitras and Miss Myrtle Hoy were married in Escanaba last Thursday afternoon. Lawrence, the eight-year-old son of

W. E. Gaufin, is ill with diphtheria. Mrs. Frank Louis, who has been quite Il, is convalescing. John Wickstrom, of Rapid River, was

in the city last Friday and paid this office a call. Lyndon H. Barnard spent the first

three days of the week in Gladstone,

returning to Minneapolis Tuesday. Miss Helen McKenzie Saturday.

A party of twenty-five of the young people of the First Methodist church drove to Gladstone Tuesday evening and were entertained at the home of Attorney and Mrs. A. W. Wolfe, in honor of their son, Leigh.—Escanaba Journal.

W. H Freeland is an opponent of laziness and an advocate of industry. In his opinion, the practise of sitting down to work is reprehensible, and he that you must buy the good things from has decided to discontinue it—for the

Will Smith, who is a staff artist for the Reliance Engraving Co. of Pittsburg, leaves today to resume his work in the smoky city.

Miss Jessie Dunsmore, after spending her vacation here, returned Wednesday to Manistique, where she is principal of the West Side school.

urday. H. J. Neville is expected tonight from Manistique where he spent the

William Sobesky and Isaac Buchman

John P. Holm paid his monthly visit to Escanaba with the poor commission Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. King D. Beach, of Escanaba, were the guests of Rev. and

Mrs. F. N. Miner Monday and Tuesday. Miss Elsa Soderstrom, who spent the nolidays with friends here, returned

Mrs. D. McCarthy, of Ishpeming, spent the week with her sister, Mrs. Thos. O'Connell.

Mrs. S. C. Allen returned Tuesday to her home in Menominee.

Chas. E. and R. W. Nebel spent Saturday on business in Escanaba.

Maurice M. Connors returned to duty Monday night in time to enjoy the cold

BUZZ SAW

In last week's issue of local paper, under the head of Flat Rock News, we read the vaporing of some weak mind that got Detective Brittleshanks, Sherlock Holmes, Hodge and Mason and the postoffice department so mixed that the reader can scarcely determine whether he is dreaming or non compos in his memorandum. He talks about the Buzz ning from Thief River Falls, where he Saw not being able to come again! Why, my dear boy, the only piece of sense you wrote, you copied from the Buzz Saw regarding sheds for teams. lays, to visit their daughter, Mrs. If you would stay awake for a couple of days, long enough to think some original think of your own, that would be of some use to the neighbors, you would quit knocking and help boost.

Joe Miette gave an oyster supper last night to about thirty-five guests. All praise the entertainment and their generous host.

Peter Terrien, the Ramrod at Duran ceau's corners, has not heard anything yet about the turkey supper they had

Some of them say it froze Wednesday

John Frazer hauling logs. John Barron killing hogs; Joe Beauchamp hauling wood, William Hodge trying to be good; Regis Beauchamp drawing potatoes, Lemire and Tarford acting as waiters; At Joe Miette's oyster party,

Where all the boys are so hearty.

WHY IT FAILED

The Calgary (Canada) News-Tele gram offered a premium of \$25 for the best contribution on "Why 1 voted William Vieux spent his vacation Against Reciprocity." A copy of the paper containing the prize essay is be-

The most illuminating part of the article, the one that Americans should sit up and read with open-eyed wonderment reads as follows: "The Democrats will shortly be in power in the States. They are pledged for a lower Tariff. Then we shall get all we are now offered, and in return concede nothing." What do J. R. BARRETT & CO. you think of that?-Greensburg (Ind.)

EXPECTANT AND HOPEFUL

All foreign manufacturers have been watching with eager expectancy President Taft's tendencies and progress as a Tariff "reformer." They have great expectations of a better market for their products when the presidential program shall have been carried out. This Fere Trombly was in Escanaba on fact is visible in the following cable-

London, Dec. 21.—President Taft's recommendations in regard to the reduction of the Tariff on wool are being keenly discussed at Bradford, from which place the lion's share of British wool exports to the United States are The wool trade there recognizes the fact that the adoption of Mr. Taft's proposals would increase enormously the British exports and would be correspondingly detrimental to American manufacturers. For this reason they are inclined to the view that Mr. Taft's program is not likely to be accepted in its entirely.

From this it would appear that the British woolen men have a wholesome dread that the strong Protection sentiment of the country will in some measure check Mr. Taft's journey toward all-round Tariff reduction. They are, Miss Clara Them, of Escanaba, visited however, hoping for the best, - American Economist.

NEW YEAR'S R SOLUTIONS

Among the many resolutions that you make for 1912, don't forget that you've promised your "inner man" lots good things and, of course, that means us, as we're headquarters.

NEW GOODS WITH NEW PRICES

Ferndell Bartlett Pears 35c now __ Ferndell Lemon Cling Peaches 30c 35c now -----Ferndell Sliced Pineapple 35c 30c

Ferndell Squash per can 15c now 25c Ferndell Little Neck Clams per can 17c now 2 cans__

Hunt's Lemon Cling Peaches per can___ Hunt's Royal Anne White Cherries per can

Just to show you what good goods and good service really is, send us a trial order.

CLADSTONE CROCERY

"THE QUALITY STORE" P. J. LINDBLAD, PROP.

Come Again

We thank you for the hitherto, but desire to duplicate anything or Quadruplicate-anything you choose that flows with a mellow gurgle from the bottle.

Come as often as you can and stay till the bell rings. We shall have bottled sunshine, from many lands, all winter.

JOHNSON & FISHER

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901 DELTA AVENUE

Can Goods

I have on hand a large stock of first-class, fresh canned goods, and will make a very low figure on them by the case or dozen. [All these are standard household necessities, and to buy a few days' stock of them will effect a large saving for the consumer.

THE OLD RELIABLE BRAND BATAVIA"

Phone 55-J.

Cold Days Cold Nights **Cold Fingers**

from now on until the weather man lets up -along in June, maybe. But I have the old, original hot stuff all the time in any form you like best to drink it. Come in when you feel like it and try the medicine of

+ . .

917 DELTA AVENUE

Delta Homesteads, B. A. Y., was held Wasa Hall Thursday evening, the fficiating past foreman being Fred A. ruce, of Menominee, state foreman for lichigan. Nearly a hundred Escanaba eomen came up by special car. After he homestead had closed, the dance ommenced, and the floor was well led until the supper call was sounded. chicken pie supper had been spread a Odd Fellows' hall, and every guest as pressed to eat till dessert seemed aperfluous-ice cream at least, on ch a night. The visitors left on the vo o'clock car, expressing delight with heir reception. For Gladstone Hometead, the event was the presentation State Manager Dupuis of a magnifint banner, the reward of the homestead creasing most in size during the past aree months. The final lap of the ontest ends March 31, and the winner ill possess the trophy permanently. the efforts of Foreman Cramer and correspondent Holm continue to be acked by the Yeomen here, there is ttle doubt where the banner will make s home. Gladstone Homestead has oubled in six months:

Sixteen inch Dry Body Wood single ord \$2.10, full cord \$6.00; 15 inch laple and Birch mill wood \$1.75 a ngle cord, \$5.00 a full cord; Hemlock, 1.15 single and \$2.75 full cord; deliverto any part of the city. Call up C. . Davis, Phone 7.

W. L. Marble, who has a national utlook on business, is considerably enuraged by the business prospects for e coming twelvemonth. Since 1907 ctivity has been much curtailed in the nited States, owing to a general desire await developments. All the possible ontingencies have been discounted; usiness is scarcely in a position to uffer more from political activity; and he economic less from idleness is the east tolerable alternative at present. here is a general resumption of industy along the line. Iron business and ron prices are beginning to pick up. he railroads which have been doing ithout equipment, now have to buy it. nd the wheels should be turning again. While the volume of trade can hardly each that of the big years between 900 and 1906, it should be a marked vance over 1910 and 1911.

Don't only turn over a new leaf, but ny a new book. Ledgers all sizes from en cents to three dollars. Record Jourals, Cash Books, and all kind of Pocket liaries, ten cents to twenty-five, at

STEWART'S PHARMACY.

If the enterprising gentleman who ole the front door of the Gem Theatre cently will return and ask for it essrs. Maclaurin & Needham will take reat pleasure in presenting the rest of e front to him. When the surly blast de it necessary to erect the storm ont, it was discovered that some son Belial without the fear of Justice cott in his eyes had unscrewed and rried off the door; and Gormsen had e chilly job of putting up a new one. The year 1911 was 1.7 degrees warmer han the average, and had here five ore inches of precipitation than usual. lsewhere in the United States it was a ear of drouth

After describing the institution of the ugmen's local at Manistique, the purier-Record of that city pays this impliment to a Gladstone man. "Capt. urt of Gladstone is highly esteemed nd very popular with all classes and e local members of the Tugmen's Asciation are loud in their praise of his oility as an executive member of their sociation, an entertainer and a good llow.

Nineteen twelve had a chilly welcome. he thermometer went down to eleven low, on New Year's night, according the weather bureau.

Among the jurors drawn for service muary, 15 are John Louis, Charles iller, H. W. Blackwell, E. J. Harris, W. Haberman, John Ohman, A. Cassidy, G. W. Green; Baldwin wn, Peter Hagan, Harvey Bopre, campton, Paul Lee; Cornell, William ardner; Escanaba, Thomas Jones

asonville, George Fuhriman. The Knights of the Modern Maccaes will hold installation services this iday evening.

The Protected Home Circle on Wedsday elected Carl O. Carlson presint, William Jacobson vice-president, bert Gaufin secretary, Max Jahnke easurer, Mrs. Wm. Jacobson chaplain, s. C. O. Carlson guardian, Charles ordon guide, Matt Lamourie compann, Mrs. J. S. Handley sentinel, and

The students at the Marquette noral who spent the holidays in Gladone returned Tuesday.

hn Kaline watchman.

Nightwatchman Martell on Sunday orning discovered two suspicions aracters apparently endeavoring to eak into Stewart's. They ran, and he rsued them, firing as he went, for f a mile or more. They escaped, al ough one of them was heard to cry as if hit. They were young men parently, and above the middle size. The school board did not meet on ednesday evening.

The dance at Wasa Hall last Friday ht, given by district manager Cramnearly cleared expenses. He is sated, although it had been his intena to give the surplus to the homead, s entertainment fund.

Storage Cold

Is provided by nature just now. You can buy your meat in quantity, secure a reduction in cost. Yet you will have no difficulty inpreserving it until you are ready to use it. Why not get figures from

OLSON & ANDERSON

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to be a hot year in politics. But it will have to go some to be hotter, sweeter or stronger than you can you can find any day or night in my emporium of Liquidity. A single step will take you from the sidewalk to my place of business.

It's Easy.

P. W. Peterson

725 DELTA

"Some ha' meat and canna' eat

But we ha' meat and we can eat And sae the Lord be thankit.'

An' some wad eat that want it

So Robert Burns said grace over a good dinner. But anyone who has Foy's prime and delicious meat, well-cooked and shedding its fragrance over his table, is bound to have an appetite for it, if he is able to sit up and eat.

M. P. FOY

Sanitary Meat Market

Phone 158

"There's Death In the Cup"

That's what the doctors say of the public drinking cup. It spreads consumption and many other terrible diseases. Its use is forbidden by the state board of health.

BUBBLING FOUNTAINS

are absolutely safe. They can be attached to any water pipe, and should be in every place of public resort. For the present I can make you a very low price, on a fixture. Call me up.

> Good Work and the Best Material

H. J. KRUEGER

PHONE 260-J

After the holiday rush is over, Gladstonians have time to plan for next summer. The smoker committee o the tournament association is now completing plans for the smoker, which will be held at the theatre next Thursevening, beginning at 8:30 p. m. Its purpose is simply to promote a better understanding of the problem ahead of the citizens' committee, and to assist their work with the element of social good feeling among them. The committee plans for a vaudeville entertainment, light refreshments and an allaround enjoyable evening. The ticket price has been fixed at fifty cents, which, with an attendance of one hundred, will defray the cost of the affair. It is not expected to yield anything for the fund. Every citizen of Gladstone is invited, and all who come will be

The Delta county board of supervisors will meet January 10, pursuant to their adjournment last October.

It is Manager James T. Jones, of the Marble Arms Co., now. On Wednesday Mr. Jones entered on his duties as manager of the business and factory, the latest of a series of advancements, won by thoughtful attention to business. Mr. Marble is now free to devote his attention to the outside development of the field; and to perfecting several simple, but effective devices of his inventive brain, which are now in process

Watch night and New Year's services were held in the Lutheran church Sunday evening and Monday morning. The business meeting was adjourned until January 15, when Rev. K. M. Holmberg will be here. On the following two days he attends the district meeting in Escanaba.

The axe factory reopened Tuesday for business, after being closed for repairs during the holidays.

The Gladstone boys who are studying at Ann Arbor made a trip to Detroit for their vacation. Says one of them. "We saw Raymond Martin and he took us all through the Murphy garage, a ten story building devoted entirely to automobiles. He has a very good position with this company.'

Gladstone Homestead, B. A. Y., at a special meeting last Friday, reelected Charles J. Holm correspondent for the

Auditor-General Fuller explains that under the mortgage tax law, a tax of 50 cents on \$100 must now be paid when they are recorded, and the owner of those now recorded may pay the tax at ing. any time before the assessor gets to work and avoid having it spread on the

Gladstone looked like a confectioner's perature with a high wind is almost un- understand instinctively the meaning predented in this peninsula, if common enough farther west.

A new calculating machine has been installed at the axe factory office. The comptometer will not only add and subtract, but multiply and divide numbers within its scope of ten places of figures.

The Odd Fellows' ball Monday evening had an attendance of more than a hundred couples, many from Escanaba and Rapid River, and the committee has received many compliments on the success of the arrangements they made for

A dance and supper, as customary, will follow the installation of officers next Friday evening by Gladstone Aerie, F. O. E. There will be a full turnout to do justice to the occasion.

Nearly Got Her Name. In one of the gay cafes of Oakland, Cal., which is frequented by visitors to the coast, a young man who believes he possesses unusual powers over the opposite sex sat at one of the tables recently ogling a pretty woman. He felt that he had made an impression and when he saw her speak to a friend lost no time in making inquiry as to her identity

"Why, don't you know her? That's Miss C. Lyon," answered his friend. "I wish you'd get her telephone number, as I'd like to ring her ap," said the anxious one, and a few moments later he was handed a slip of paper on which was written the num-

per of the Cliff House. The very next day he called up the hotel and asked if Miss C. Lyon was

"She is stopping around here," replied the clerk, "but just swam out to the rocks for luncheon.'

Positively Brutal.
Grace—Just see how much your lit-

tle wifie loves you. She made this cake for you all by herself. Arthur-Yes, my darling. And now if you will eat it all by yourself I shall possess indisputable proof of your devotion .-Pittsburgh Press.

Heartless. Gritty Pikes-It's a heartless world. pard. Think what a woman done when I asked her to give me something to keep body and soul together! Muddy Lanes-Can't imagine. Gritty Pikes-She gimme a safety pin.-Chi-

An Exception. "Take my advice and mind your own affairs. No man ever got rich fighting

other people's battles. "I don't know. How about a law yer?"-Boston Transcript.

The Process of Their Making Is a Profound Secret.

LOCKED IN ONE MAN'S BRAIN

Though Made of One Piece of Metal.

shop in an obscure Swedish village a man toils in secret, says a writer in H. T. is not common. -St. Louis Repub-Cassier's Magazine. Just how he accomplishes what he does no one knows. not even his sons who work with him. Johannson has made the world beat

a path to his door, for he has discovcurate limit gauge than any previously sizes, rising by steps of a ten-thousandth of an inch-much less than the traditional hair's breadth-to twentysix inches. It is said that 80,000 combinations of these gauges are possi-

No dimension within their limits has duce. Extreme accuracy in building machinery, particularly that of motorcars, is of the greatest importance, and the first step toward that end is the perfection of a standard. Making such standards is a tedious and expensive found it so, or else he values his secret lightly from the pecuniary point of view, for he is able to pay Uncle Sam a duty of 45 per cent and still offer his gauges in the American martimes their price.

are "wiped" together so as to exclude the air from between them they adhere with a pressure which experiment has shown to exceed thirty Chase Osborn "the bell-wether rat." or more pieces may be thus wiped to- his remarks about nature fakirs. gether and supported horizontally by merely holding the last one, which means that the accuracy of their various surfaces is almost absolute.

between-is a comparatively simple says the Manistique Pioneer-Tribune. matter. But achieving such perfect parallelism as is shown by these re-

The peculiarity about this mysteriously powerful adhesion of the separate pieces is that the feel of the built up gauge thus formed is exactly white snow against every wall and it not affecting the sensation in the Roosevelt Avenue. slightest. Any skilled mechanic will of this and its testimony to the accuracy of the gauges.

For instance, a one inch gauge may be built up of pieces representing resulting piece will be one inch absolute, or any one of several other combinations may be made to represent an inch, and blindfolded the most expert mechanic could not detect any difference between the manner in which this composite inch gauge and the one piece inch gauge fitted in a snap gauge of the same size. It would be an easy matter to confuse the two in handling.

ventor who discovered what thousands of the most expert mechanics in machine building centers have vainly sought for half a century, limits his output to a few hundred sets of gauges a year whether purely from inclination or because of mechanical difficulties in production is as much a secret as the process itself and one that he will doubtless take with him when he

Burden Bearers In Mexico.

Strong backed laboring men take the place of moving vans in Mexico. There are huge flat trucks with four handles into which things are piled and lugged along the city streets. On moving day the household furniture may be seen paraded in full gaze of the curious from street to street to the new destination. These men are called cargadores and combine the usefulness of messenger boy and the porter of the old world. The great burdens borne thus by the strength of a single carrier are amazing. A piano will be carried along by two men on one of the strong

A Generous Empress.

It is said that one morning at breakfast a general related to the emperor the misfortunes of a brother officer, who, "because he had not 15,000 francs, must be dishonored." While the emperor questioned further particulars Eugenie flew to her room and, returning with a package of banknotes, said, "Take them, general, and never tell me his name." And his name the generous empress never knew.

Thirteen at Dinner. Thirteen at dinner is an old Norse

myth. It was deemed unlucky because Loki, god of malice, once intruded, making thirteen guests, and Baldur, the brilliant god, was slain at the instigation of Loki, who prevailed upon Hodur, a strong but blind god, to throw Mistel, the mistletoe, at Bal dur, perforating the latter and letting out his divine soul.

Men of culture are the true apostles of equality .- Matthew Arnold.

WITH THE BRETHREN

PERFECT GAUGES. In re the number of Bostons to be found by the postman, the Houghton Gazette remarks "We are glad to see that some one is paying us some attention." Long ago The Delta gave up the task of counting the errors of some of its exchanges—not desiring to invest in a new adding machine: but the painstaking accuracy and the universal schol- broken lines of first-class, arship of the Gazette make a single deviation from exactitude as glaring as So Accurate Are These Wonderful the sun at midday. And then, as a Standards That Twenty or More of distinguished editor of the peninsula Them Rubbed Together Adhere as once remarked, "Better to err with Cook low the manufacturer's cost. than shine with Peary."

In a closely guarded room of a small It is creditable to the human race that We are selecting them to "friendship" like that of T. R. for W

The most suspicious thing about the proposed street car agreement at De- ing day for prices on New troit is the enthusiasm with which the ered the secret of making a more ac- Stair newspaper, the Free Press and the Journal are advocating its acceptin use. A single set of his gauges ance. What these precious newspapers gives a practically unlimited series of advocate is usually loaded up to the muzzle for the dear public.-Mining Journal. But then maybe the Journal's Detroit column is more reliable than its Marquette correspondence.

The Republican papers of the peninsula picking out a presidential candibeen cited that they failed to reprodate, Taft, Roosevelt, or LaFollette, recall the old ballad of the sheepstealers selecting trees to be hanged on. La Follette is short enough to do for the gooseberry bush of the story.

Saturday Night asks "What Shall We process. But Johannson has not Do with Osborn?" Appoint Bob La-Follette a committee of one with power

The Lake Superior editors are all too busy trying to pay their debts at home ket for a few hundred dollars, although to take the risk of the expense incident they could not be made here for many to a trip to Chicago. All booming lands for the other fellow and getting very When two of these Swedish gauges few of their own. We are a mighty goodnatured, easy lot.—Iron Ore.

Editor Baldwin calls his old friend pounds to the square inch. Twenty Chase will probably emulate Teddy in

Extensive holders of mineral rights in lands located in this county, after investigating matters, have practically Finishing one surface or two sur- decided to do exploratory work in the faces to a very close limit by lapping near future, to ascertain whether oil -rubbing together with a fine abrasive and minerals in paying quantities exist,

But it will be noticed that the Rusmarkable gauges is quite another sian Cossacks are not slaughtering any thing, a secret quite well worth know- innocent Japanese these days.-Hough-

The Marquette Chronicle sympathizes with State Chairman Knox, in being unable to follow Osborn's quick turns. the same as that of a single piece of He seems to belong in the awkward dream in powdered sugar Friday morn- metal, and this holds for any combi- squad, trudging along Taft Street ing. The violent wind drove the fine nation, the number of pieces forming while his file leader is marching up

La Follette will not discuss men, but issues. And then the newspapers wouldn't print what he thinks of Os- under modern conditions. born, anyway.

0.5+0.2+0.05+.150+0.1 inch, and the the erstwhile crystalline Houghton Ga- but no one will trample zette going-or falling-into politics, and toddling along in the calithumpian parade with the international josh at to reach your door unless the head. There was a time when the he knows about your mouse Gazette was for Taft and Terewth-and not long ago at that.

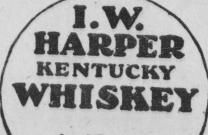
Perhaps the country would be better off if the Republican party gets the the man who found it, but lambasting for which it appears to be Mr. Johannson, the backwoods in in line next November. - Escanaba Journal, Taftiprocity.

Paddy Willin'

When the frost takes effect on that piping that you forgot to have protected last fall against its freezing, you will get up and say what you think of yourself, then call 265-J on the phone and tell Burt to bring his thawer up right away and fix things. He is

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make room for the new stock we have ordered. It's mov-Winter Clothing at



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Advertising



That Grapples Your Attention

is the keynote of success You may make the best Of all sad things the saddest is to see mousetraps in all the world. down the raspberry bushes

America is named, not for for the man who advertised it. And if it hadn't been advertised extensively, you wouldn't give 24 cents today for Manhattan Island.

The catalog houses of Chiago are today typical examples of the successful advertiser. They have made every man, woman and child in North America know what they have to sell and its price. People buy where it is most convenient, and the cash buyer is tempted by the ease of dropping a dollar in the postoffice and getting a package out of the express office. He is saved the bother of looking over his purchase before he buys.

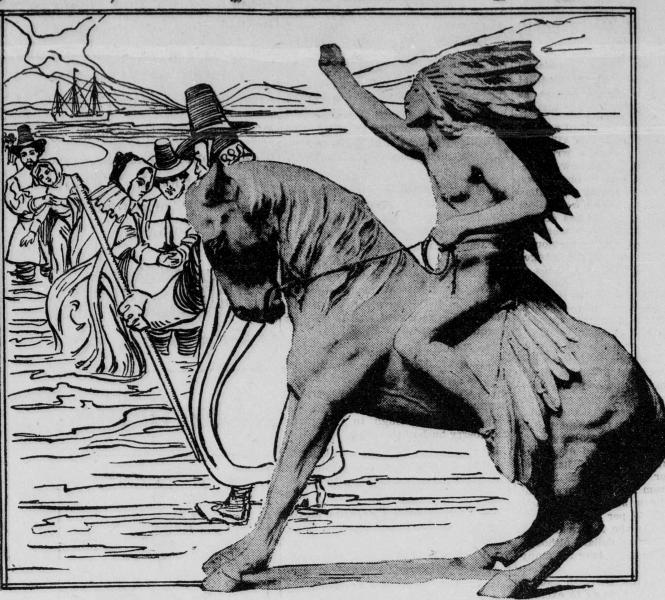
Mr. Merchant, your big competitor has no business given to him because he lives in a big town—but because he advertises his goods to the people who want them. In a year or two there will be parcels post in this country.

If you advertise yourself and build up the home trade, the parcels post will be your servant; if you choose to neglect the business before you, the parcels post will be your master.

THE CLADSTONE DELTA

A GOOD ADVERTISING MEDIUM.

fírst New Year's of the Pilgrims



Two hundred and ninety years ago the pilgrims celebrated their first New Year's in the new country. Then hundreds of thousands of Indians roamed at will and owned the vast area of North America. Today, after the space of time intervening since these persecuted religionists landed in America, the red man has become a rarity, being confined to reservations, or as civilization's progressive hand has touched him he has intermingled with our own people. But with each advance of civilization the descendants of the mighty body of savages who greeted our forefathers is slowly but surely diminishing in size.

the real beginning of the Puri- safely anchored in Plymouth bay. tan settlement of New England and the planting by the pilgrim fathers in American soil of the germ of freedom from which has grown our great republic.

On Nov. 11, 1620, the good ship Mayflower, with the devoted band which hostile inhabitants, discovered no accommodations for a permanent colony. After brief explorations an expedia place very suitable for situation."

TEW YEAR'S day, 1621, marked | which by the end of the week was | so sweet was the taste of freedom even

The selection of a site for the proposed town and the preparation of ma- but it was not until March that a savterials delayed until after Christmas day the beginning of the first house for common use to receive the piled and most of the company had left had braved the perils of seas almost the ship for a home on shore and were unknown to seek in a new world the busily at work rearing their habitaliberty of conscience denied them in tions. Tradition divides the honor of Pawtuxet. He told them also that the old, had anchored in the harbor of first stepping on Plymouth rock be- about four years before a pestilence Provincetown. On that same day the tween John Alden and Mary Chilton. pilgrims had chosen John Carver for On New Year's morning a solemn servtheir governor and had sent ashore an ice was held to thank the good God one to dispute the pilgrims' possession armed delegation to select a spot on who had guided them across the wa- of the territory. which to pitch the pilgrims' tents. But ters to this beautiful haven and to

near "Burial hill," on the road which Massasoit himself came and made a tion was dispatched to circumnavigate left the shore just south of Plymouth | treaty of peace with the pilgrims, Cape Cod bay and find a better haven. rock, and next to it Peter Brown built which was observed for fifty-four On Dec. 8 the scouts landed on himself a house. About this nucleus Clark's island (so named from the there was soon a well ordered little Mayflower's mate, who was of the town. Yet the exposures incident to party). The next day, which was Sat- the founding of the colony told severeurday, they explored the island, on the ly upon all, and before summer near- colony progressed materially, and in Sabbath they rested, and on Monday, ly half the band of 102 which had the following November the ship For-Dec. 11, they sounded the harbor and landed on New Year's day had suc- tune from London brought welcome "marched also into the land and found cumbed. But the spirit of the sur- additions to their small population and divers cornfields and running brooks, vivors was unbroken, and when the the royal patent which confirmed for-Mayflower in April sailed homeward ever the pilgrims in their occupation Then they returned to the ship, not one of the colonists went in her, of Plymouth bay.

in the shadow of death. Traces of the nearness of Indians were numerous, age visited the settlement. This savage, who announced himself as Samoset, a native of the "eastern parts," or grims and their goods, but by New the coast of Maine, where contact with Year's day house lots had been assign- English fishermen had given the Indians some knowledge of the English language, told them in broken speech that the name of their settlement was had destroyed most of the natives of that region, so that there was now no index and middle fingers of the right

panoags of Narragansett bay, whose

In April Governor Carver died, and

They learned from Samoset that the eyes, roll the object about in your these pioneers, though they found no ask his blessing upon the village they their nearest neighbors were the Wam- palm. You distinctly feel two objects. The "common house" was erected chief was Massasoit. Soon afterward there. So much for actual testimony.

> William Bradford was elected his successor, under whose beneficent rule the

A Short Story For New Year's Day BESSIE COZZENS.

By EUGENE YOUNG.

ticket, quick!"

APPY New Year!" "Happy New Year, and goodby, dear. Have you got my trunk checked?" "Great Scott, no! Give me your

The pretty little woman fumbled around in her dainty reticule and produced the ticket neatly folded. Her escort rushed out of the car with it. "You'll have to hurry before the train starts," was her parting admonition.

It was in the depot at Lincoln, Neb., where we had stopped for breakfast. The couple was young, and the woman was a modest looking, pretty little body, neatly gloved and booted and stylishly dressed. Her escort's appearance did not impress me so favorably. He looked like a sport, and I hoped for her sake that he was a brother or a cousin and that they were not married. Perhaps there were personal reasons for the hope. I was a tenderfoot from the east. I had had a lonesome journey over the Burlington road, and the prospect of a good looking woman's companionship for the day, especially if her affections were not mortgaged, was a pleasant one.

'All aboard!" shouted the conductor, and, "Oh, dear!" murmured the lady below her breath as she gazed anxiously from the window in the direction of the baggage room.

But the trunk check that she looked for never came, nor did her escort. The train moved out at a rapid rate. and an anxious faced little woman settled into her seat and shaded her eyes with her dainty lace handkerchief. I sat directly behind her, and I could swear she was crying. I pitied her. Though I would have died rather than offend her, I was just about to step forward and offer any assistance in my power when the conductor came in

She had handed the bit of pasteboard | ticket-and took a seat beside her as to her brother to get her trunk check- my right and privilege. ed just as the train started. He had not returned, and she had only money enough with her to pay for her meals on the journey. She was going to Den-

"The lady's story is true," I exclaimed. "I witnessed the whole occurrence, and her brother took her ticket in or-



der to get her trunk checked just as the train left Lincoln. I saw the ticket." "Oh, thank you, sir!" said the little woman earnestly, turning to me. Her! the train at Lincoln, runs a brace faro eyes were of the darkest blue. I hadn't game there." noticed them before, and they nearly burned a hole through my susceptible heart. The upshot of it was that I ad-"Tickets!" But she had no ticket, vanced the money for her fare to Denand she told the conductor her story. | ver-she had her drawing room car | New Year's day since.

In conversation she was as charming as in appearance. She and her brother were orphans, she said, and had never been separated longer than for a few days at a time. His business was going to detain him at Lincoln over New Year's day, which they had planned to spend with very dear friends in Denver. So she was going alone, and he would meet her there very soon. She disliked traveling alone "so much," but she expected to spend "such a delightful New Year's day" in Denver, and

She readily secured my promise to visit her before she left Denver. Cheyenne is only a hundred miles away. In return she agreed to direct her brother's steps to Cheyenne if there could be found the slightest business pretext for it. The loan which I had so generously made her was to be repaid the instant she arrived at Denver.

"And I will never, never forget it," she concluded, with another look of experts have unsuccessfully sought for those dark blue eyes.

I learned to call her Bessie-her name was Bessie Cozzens-and we were fast sample of budwood provided by the friends and rapidly reaching the senti- department of agriculture a number of mental period when the time to part years ago. Twelve trees, all of which came at Holdredge Junction. I paid for grow lemons without a sign of seed, her dinner, pressed her hand-the pres- form part of a grove owned by I. E. sure was returned, too-and her train Bush of Rialto. Government experts started for Denver.

words. "Think of me New Year's day." No Pullman car ever looked so lonely as did the Romola when I took a seat in the smoking room to wreathe the name of Bessie in blue clouds all the way to Cheyenne. Pretty soon the conductor came in.

"Did you find out who she was?" he queried, somewhat maliciously. "Yes"-shortly-"she is Miss Bessie

Cozzens." "So she is," returned the conductor blandly, "and the slickest confidence woman that ever traveled over my road. Her husband, who put her on

"But the ticket!" I gasped. I thought of Bessie on New Year's day. I have thought of her on every

OUR SENSES DECEIVE US.

How Mankind Is Constant Prey to Illusions and Delusions.

Nine persons out of ten place or think they place the most implicit faith in the testimony of their senses. As a matter of fact, however, few of us accept this testimony in the more important affairs of life.

We do not believe that the sun moves around the earth, although we see it, and the flatness of the earth that is evident to our uninstructed physical sight is refuted by the understanding. We do not believe our senses but our reason in these premises, though we do rely upon them in many matters where we should know better.

We think that we see and hear a great deal that we do not see or hear at all. On the witness stand and under oath we testify to things that we imagine have taken place, only to have our testimony contradicted by that of other witnesses, equally reliable and conscientious, who describe minutely things and occurrences as being evident to them at the same time and place as those we have described, yet materially different in every important

Professor Hugo Munsterberg, in the course of a lecture to a Harvard class, staged a mimic holdup in the lecture room, having his actors suddenly rush in, engage in a pretended fight and suddenly depart. There were some fifty members of the class, and each was requested to write an accurate description of the occurrence. The result was about fifty different versions.

This is all natural when it is considered that no two persons have the same sense of color, form or sound. And whose senses are reliable? No one's, answers the Chicago Tribune. Try your own, for example. Close one eye and with the index finger of your right hand point at some small object, say a spot on the wall a few feet distant. Keep the finger pointing, open the eye that was closed and close the one that was opened and see where you will be pointing. Then, still pointing, open both eyes. Observe the result.

Looking down a long, straight stretch of railway the tracks converge at a certain distance, according to the testimony of our eyes. The lines of a building slant sharply away from us in appearance, though we know that the height of the distant portion is the same as that of the near. That is "per-spective," we say, and recognize the laws thereof in drawing a representation of the building. Did we attempt to draw the building in its exact proportions it would be ludicrous.

Take a small round object-a bullet or small marble-and lay it in the palm of the left hand. Then, crossing the hand, place them over the shot so that both are in contact with it, and, closing though you know there is but one

\$+**************** THE OLD AND THE NEW.

With its loss and its gain; With its joy and its pain. And o'er the old year's mystic tomb There pass the ghosts of si-

lenced dead. The light of morns, the cloud hung gloom Of nights, * * * while o'er the hearts that bled From sorrow and from sin

Our fair new year has cast the shroud Of half forgetfulness.

With its cold and its gloom;

With new hopes and new ties; Morn-With new life and new skies. And hearts take up the lyre of While sound the thrilling chords

of love And lives no more in darkness grope, * * * In sunlight streaming from above Dear messages of light Are sent from heaven, and, lo,

the night Is lost in radiant morn. With assurances of rest;

Whispering, "God knows best." -Etta Wallace Miller.

Grows Seedless Lemons. The seedless lemon which botanical many years has been discovered in San Bernardino, Cal. It came from a have pronounced them the only seed-"Happy New Year!" were her last less lemon trees known to exist in the entire world.

LEAP YEAR.

The leap year's here! That happy year

We've struck When any well bred doe may seek her And call him deer (or darling) just for

The widow's chance For late romance

Is sprung. Quite near the bier, she still may draw the bung nectar, to be served with honeyed tongue.

And now the law Of Bernard Shaw

"But the ticket!" I gasped.
"Was a strip of paper nicely folded." The petticoated "life force" frankness And man, the hunted badger, hides or

IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Review of Senior Berean Lessons Atlantic approach to the Panama ca-For the Fourth Quarter.

THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Golden Text, If We Confess Our Sins the prospective threefold development He is Faithful and Just to Forgive Us of commerce through the canal urges Our Sins and to Cleanse Us From All Unrighteousness (I John i, 9).

Review .- A reminder of our last lesson (Dec. 24).

What was the message of the star What prophecy concerning this event was found in the Scriptures? What guided the wise men to Bethlehem? How did the wise men greet Jesus? How did the angel announce Jesus' birth to the shepherds?

A prophet of ideals. Among those captivity was Ezekiel. He received his call to labor among the exiles five years later. How did he accept his mission? What was the special subject of his preaching? (Lesson I.) The exiles were discouraged as to the prospects of restoration. It was in consefaith was revived and courage increasof ideals? What was his teaching with the vision of Apocalypse. (Les-

A turn in the tide. At the close of half a century there was a change in favor of the exiles. What great conqueror appeared at this period? What proclamation was issued, and how was it received? (Lesson III.) Those who returned were among the heroic souls. Who was the leader of this enterprise? What difficulties did they encounter soon after they arrived? (Lesson IV.) The spirit of those who returned is well expressed in Ps. lxxxv. They were enthusiastic and exultant as they remembered the favors of God. What has always assured the welfare of any people? (Lesson V.)

Fasts and feasts. The always interesting story of Esther is of value pardevotion? (Lesson VI.) The fate of only rare examples of women who are sions. Sin will exact to the uttermost, inclined to expect.-Lady's Pictorial. and it is ever true that the wages of sin is death. What did Daniel say to this king? What is the value of repressive legislation? (Lesson VII.)

Civic and religious reconstruction. Another half century passed before effective steps were taken to establish Jerusalem on a strong foundation. The man who undertook this campaign was pious and earnest, but he was not a leader. Though he failed, he had nevertheless prepared the way for better things. Who composed this band of pilgrims? What great secret was known by Ezra? (Lesson VIII.) The right man was at this time in the service of the Persian king. When the destitute conditions of Jerusalem were made known to him he was at first staggered by grief. To whom did he turn in this hour of need? In what respect were the people themselves to blame for their distress? (Lesson IX.) Nehemiah was truly a born leader. He is one of the most interesting men of the Bible. No sooner did he receive leave of absence from Artaxerxes than he left for Jerusalem, with credentials and commissions from the king. He was determined to carry everything before him, and he was not discouraged by opposition.

Who were the enemies of the people, and what did they attempt? Nehemiah was equal to any occasion, whether to check the enemy or to incite the people to activity. How did he plan the division of labor? (Lesson X.) The conditions of the farmers had been wretched, owing to bad crops and heavy mortgages. Many of them were employed on the wall and so had not the time to attend to their fields. What was the cause of the outcry against oppression? How did Nehemiah settle the trouble? The efforts of the enemy had been futile up to this time. This trained diplomat from the Persian court was more than a match for the countrymen of Palestine and around. He treated them with courtesy, but he did not hesitate to show contempt for their meanness. (Lesson XI.) When the work was completed other important steps were taken by Nehemiah toward the strength and security of the city. What special appointments were made by him? How did he provide for the increase of the inhabitants? A yet more important work remained to be done before he returned to Shushan. He, however, realized that as a layman he would be going outside of his province to undertake the work of religious education. It was, moreover, not necessary, as a most competent man was available for this purpose. you know about the north pole." This was no other than Ezra the scribe, learned in the law and enthusiastic in its propagation. How did this instruction impress the people? What practical results followed? (Lesson XII.).

Love's Eyesight.

"Was it a case of love at first sight?" "No; second sight. The first time he saw her he didn't know she was an the Eskimos try to climb it."-Indianheiress."-Judge. apolis News.

FATAL CARIBBEAN SEA.

With Equal Area of Mediterranean It

Has Long Gone Unstudied. An average annual loss in wrecks in excess of \$2,000,000 in the Caribbean sea directs attention to certain problems in this basin, considered as the nal, now nearing completion. That the stated loss is due principally to conditions which can be remedied is recognized by all maritime authorities. That this record of marine disasters threatens to rise proportionately with consideration of these problems in their larger and more scientific aspect, says the American Review of Reviews.

With a longer littoral and area equal to the Mediterranean the Caribbean presents a series of related conditions which the wise men saw in the east? no less interesting than those of the Suez gateway and far less advanced toward solution. Foremost in immediate commercial and maritime importance come questions of accurate and comprehensive charting of adequate lighthouses, beacons and buoys. Following closely runs the detailed and seasonal study of currents, meteorolowho were carried away with the first gy, magnetic variations and the imperfectly known contours of the ocean bed. The geology of the littoral and islands needs critical examination, for in few other portions of the known globe are the forces of, erosion, upheaval and coastal growth in such rapid operation. Caribbean biology from the side of scientific economics quence of the teaching of Ezekiel that is fallow. The cursory voyage of the Albatross, the three cruises of the ed, which ultimately led to the events | Blake and the comprehensive work of of the return. What was his program | Evermann on the fishes of Porto Rico and of Jordan on the fishes of Cuba and about the river of life? Compare it Jamaica are mere "spies in Canaan" in one of the richest fields of marine investigation in the world.

Four centuries have passed, and yet the Caribbean is almost as closed to exact knowledge as when the first white keel shared its blue waters.

SAYS BLONDS WILL VANISH.

Believes That Eventually They All Will

Be Brunettes. Scientists are taking a gloomy view of the future of the blond. Not only are fair people becoming fewer; but, if this is not a paradox, they are also becoming darker. The future promises to bring us nothing more interesting than the "whity browns" of hu-

To preserve our blonds is scientificalticularly on account of the lessons of ly possible, but their continuance service rendered by those in high would make an end to the progress of places. Our privileges must be placed civilization. All or nearly all the conat the disposal of the needy. In what ditions of modern life tend to encourway was Esther exposing her life to age brunettes. Before many decades danger? What was the outcome of her have passed there probably will be Belshazzar is a warning against the divinely fair, and their position may gratification of selfish desires and pas- not be as enviable as the charitable are

Going Up.



Getting an unsolicited lift.

A Desperate Mental Effort. The class was just beginning the study of geography.

"James," said the teacher to the small boy in the front row, "tell me all

"The north pole is up at the end of the world, and the earth turns around it, and Eskimos live there, and-and"-"Well, James, is that all you know, about the north pole? What about the

climate?" James was embarrassed at being "called" in front of the class and grasped at the suggestion. "Why, why,

LIVE STOCK > AGRICULTURE

DRAFTER ON FARM

Raising Him Fits In Nicely With General Work.

TRAINING TIME IS SHORT.

Colt Easily Handled and Broken and Needs Little Instruction-Mares Useful For Doing Tasks as Well as Replenishing Stock.

Through several years of strictly draft horse breeding the average size of the native stock has been considerably raised. It is now very seldom that a farm team is seen that weighs less than 1,200 pounds each on the average. It is not uncommon to see pairs in the field that will weigh 1,400 or above in working condition. Probably the most highly prized animal on the farm is a big breedy draft mare. There is nothing so popular at farm sales. Nor is there any other animal upon which bidding is so persistent as upon a good draft mare in foal, according to the National Stockman and Farmer.

The raising of draft horses fits nicely in with the work of the general farm. There the draft mare really is a dual purpose animal, doing a double work. She works regularly in the field, and she raises a colt that will become one of the most profitable outputs of the farm. Where care is exercised in handling the mare, giving her the lighter and slower work, apparently just as good colts are raised as where the mare is kept in idleness.

The draft colt is very easily handled and broken. He is quiet and docile about the farm. When the youngster has reached a sufficient age and size to be started to work, he requires only a lesson or two until he is ready to be

TRIBUTE TO THE The farmer produces wealth:

others exchange it. He is like the alfalfa which enriches both soil and owner; others are the dodder of society. Out of the good, common coarseness of the earth he creates; they take nothing at first hand. Close to the soil he attains most nearly to the balance between the material and the spiritual, using his time for the exactions of the one and leisure for the growth of the other.

If his soul be attuned to his condition he gains knowledge at first hand. He grows as none other can, he abounds in the health of the out of doors, and he learns the right use of things. His is the happiness and welfare which rebounds from hard work, and he develops originali-

The city polishes to one mind and one model. Its people think prepared thoughts, live in reports of life, smell manufactured odors and vegetate in a thin, second hand existence.

Every boy should have his early training in the knockabout university of the farm. There is more discipline for him in the continuous care of a horse or a cow than in many terms of school. Industry, patience and perseverance are inherent in the atmosphere of farm life, and their possession spells success.

All boys cannot and should not remain on the farm. It is not an end, but only a means. He who succeeds must have contentment, and this may be found elsewhere as well. But the boy who is most likely and most able to "come back" is he who has spent his early years



GOOD TYPE OF A DRAFT HORSE.

point in the farmer's mind in favor of draft horses. With drivers it takes months of steady training to fit one of them for market or even for regular use. The farmer has neither time nor desire to fret and fuss with an animal in the way that is necessary in breaking a driver. That is a work for a man posed to be devoted exclusively to of special ability who will make a business of producing and training driving horses. The practical farmer knows that it will be best and more profitable for him to stick to the steady

Of course men are meeting with varying degrees of success in the raising of draft horses. Some produce horses that are mere nondescripts, while others are producing big, useful ones that would be popular on any market. A study of their methods and practices to determine the reason for the difference is suggestive. In the first place the more successful ones are in nearly all cases the men who have taken up the work as a business, men who have made a study of it in every phase from breeding to marketing. They are men who have made themselves good judges of horses. Then, having an ideal of a good horse in mind, they have bred to produce such an animal. In so doing they have ever stuck to one breed. Not only that, but more, they have always stuck to some certain type within that one breed. They have kept their best mares and sold the inferior ones.

The business of raising pure breds is farms are buying pairs of pure bred mares of some of the popular draft breeds. They are working those mares and are succeeding admirably with them. Men who own and operate large areas are going into the business on an extensive scale, and there is no line of live stock that is more profitable.

Proper Plowing.

The pride of every good plowman is a straight, well turned furrow, and yet its merit. Its true worth is measured by its depth, the manner in which it is turned and the way in which it lies. When properly turned it will present a loosely pulverized and completely inverted furrow slice that leaves behind a furrow of sufficient depth, even in Denver Field and Farm.

THE NEW GARDEN PLOT.

Practical Suggestions That Will Be Found of Value.

Where a garden has been used constantly for years or where the trees that naturally creep into the plot supvegetables are getting too large for convenience in cultivation it is advisable to begin several years in advance to get a new garden ready, and fall is the ideal season for this work, says the Country Gentleman. The new location should be convenient to the house, sunny, well drained and of as good soil as possible. At least two seasons should be spent in getting it into shape.

If possible choose an old sod location and cover it thickly with well rotted manure. If it is not fenced the stock will not bother it much, for they dislike the fresh, tender grass that comes up through the manure and will not rains and bright sunshine will bring vegetables so cheap."-Rural World. up a fine crop of grass that should be turned under before frost and another application of manure made. If the ground is not harrowed the sod rots a little faster in some sections, but good results can be had by thoroughly cutting the roots to pieces and then top dressing liberally. The snows and rains of winter do their part, and in spring the soil is mellow and fertile.

Even when it is not absolutely necessary to find a new location for the garden it pays to rest the old one a season or two. Planting the ground to some growing rapidly. Men operating small | crop foreign to the soil will often renew and help it wonderfully, while the vegetables in the new garden will help that soil.

Re-enforcing Stable Manure.

By keeping the stable manure under cover and re-enforcing it with forty pounds of floats or acid phosphate to each ton of manure the Ohio experiment station has succeeded in increasing the net value of the manure from \$2.60 to \$4.80 per ton. And yet probably 75 per cent of all the manure proits straightness is but a small part of duced in Ohio is thrown into an open barnyard, where at least 35 per cent of the plant food contained is lost by leaching and fermentation before it reaches the land at all. The careless and indifferent methods practiced in caring for the farm manure alone are responsible for the loss to the agriculthe bottom, and clean cut in every part. | tural interests of the state that are now in process of investigation.

EXPELLED TO SEA BY RIVERS.

Discharge Enormous Load of Sedi-

ments and Minerals. The Colorado river discharges during an average year into the gulf of California 338,000,000 tons of mud and silt as suspended matter. In addition to this, the dissolved substances in the water include 4.550,000 tons of sodium chloride, or common salt; 3,740,000 tons of glauber salt, 4,000,000 tons of lime, 2,400,000 tons of gypsum and 4,800,000 tons of epsom salts, according to investigations by the United States geological survey. In spite of all this dissolved material the Colorado at its mouth is not considered to be a stream of unusually high mineralization for that region of the country. The reason is that the river also carries so enormous an amount of water that the dissolved salts constitute a comparatively small proportion of the total discharge. Other streams in the country contain dissolved salts in greater concentration. For example, the Elm fork of Red river, in Oklahoma, discharges nearly 1,300,000 tons of common salt annually. Although this amount is not so great as that discharged by the Colorado, it is much greater in proportion to the size of the area drained. The discharge of salt from the Colorado is equal to twenty tons annually to each square mile drained by the river, but the salt in Elm fork of Red river is equal to 1,680 tons per square mile of area drained. The same river discharges annually 177,000 tons of magnesium chloride, 168,000 tons of epsom salts. 690,000 tons of gypsum and 54,000 tons of lime. These quantities, too, are considerably greater than those carried in the Colorado in proportion to the size of the drainage area.

Belle Fourche river, at Belle Fourche, S. D., discharges 191,000 tons of gypsum, 79,000 tons of glauber salt and 236,000 tons of epsom salts. The mud and silt carried in suspension by this river amount to 1,100,000 tons. Milk river, at Havre, Mont., discharges annually 41,000 tons of soda; Payette river, in Idaho, discharges 46,000 tons; Salt river, at Roosevelt, Ariz., discharges 228,000 tons of salt and 170,-000 tons of epsom salts, and the Rio Grande discharges 245,000 tons of lime and 368,000 tons of glauber salt.

The New Year Rising. A miracle touched me at twelve, for, be-

hold. I saw The New Year rise as a young god rises in might. No child was he with hesitant, timid feet, But a grown joy, wrapped in the rai-ment of pure delight.

And his eyes, most gracious and tender, were bent on mine In his hands he caught my hands, while

clarion clear

'Comrade, hail! The pulse of the world's

Freedom, achievement, wait for us. Come, I listened, I looked, and faith to my hope

His kingly courage told me the beautiful truth— He is mine, and his strength infuses my rescued will.
Up, faint heart! We will conquer togeth-

er, my Year! Life and love shall their old sweet prom--Clinton Dangerfield in Century.

SHOOTING THE NEW YEAR IN.

Quaint Custom Still In Practice In the Carolinas.

ORIGINATED IN PENNSYLVANIA

People Gather About 9 o'Clock In the Evening, and the March Begins-From One House to the Other They Go, Firing Fierce Salutes and Feasting.

Racing, whirling, nerve wrecking as has become the recognized spirit of our times, yet in the remote districts lingers a serenity so unshaken we can but marvel over the dual nature of this thing we call American. Customs of the fatherland have become so grafted upon the newer land that one feels the richness of the past ever mellowing the crudeness of the pres-

One of the most lovable of these old customs, redolent of the air of feu-



New Year's Shooters.

dalism, is that of shooting in the new His golden, rapturous, confident tones rang year, says the New York Post. We first hear of it among the early German settlers of Pennsylvania, where it has long since become obsolete, but about 1750 there was a general migra-Under the snow, and the ancient doubts tion from Pennsylvania down to the hill country of the Carolinas. In rumbly old wagons these pioneers journeyed, laden with feather beds and delftware, sprigs of fruit trees and sturd; babies.

As the life history is but a repetition of the race history, there came with their first strange new year a burst of in memory of older days, and not once through all the years that have fol-

lowed have these greetings been omitted.

Though North Carolina could never boast as many stately mansions as could some of her sister states, yet for homely comfort and lavish old time hospitality she has never been surpassed. Each of the dear old places has its own name, still lingering there -Swan Ponds, Pleasant Gardens, Mount Welcome, Ingleside. The sentiment of all was voiced on one stone gatepost, which proudly bore the inscription:

> Welcome all To Buncombe Hall.

Tradition tells us that the owner of this estate, Colonel Buncombe (of course he was a colonely, lived in the "low" country, and when he was entertaining guests whom he particularly enjoyed he had the bridge, the only means of escape, taken up and hidden in the swamps. Most of these jovial hosts are sleeping now, each in his narrow bed forever laid, but the new year has a way of returning, and the shooters return with it.

Then tenantry and poorer people of the neighborhood gather at some appointed place about 9 o'clock in the evening, and the march begins. From one "big house" to another they tramp, dolorously intoning their doggerel, firing fierce salutes and feasting at the hands of the gentry.

On the last night of the year, as you sit over the hickory fire, there comes a tramping in the front yard, and a deep voice outside begins the so called New Year's sermon with a forcing of the rhyme worthy of Walt Whitman.

A loud report being the thing desired. heavy wads are put on the powder and the gun muzzle held close to the ground. After the shooting comes the

If you are a man of grace Come to the door and show your face. The door is then thrown wide, and the company enter, awkward, grinning same plans. The same architect had and shivering with cold. Some of them have come from a distance of eight or ten miles, as the country is sparsely settled, and must necessarily be tired, but they consider it more deferential to stand, or if one is finally young feller in them days and hadn't persuaded to take a chair he sits on the edge uneasily.

The ruddy, Santa Claus-like old men she follered me like a bloodhound, and exchange laconic remarks on the price of cotton; the youngsters refer to the possum hunt of the previous night. Some one goes to the piano and strums away in a frantic attempt to furnish be the end o' my tryin' to shake her. amusement. They are stolid until she strikes up "Dixie." The effect is magical. The callers mark time with muddy boots and remark slyly:

"That's the stuff!" Apples and oranges, cakes and coffee, are now brought out. At some places the black bottle is passed around. Then the shooters with a relieved sigh pile out of the door. The society man-

In thy New Year

ner is a fearful strain.

Give us thy strength for burdens we must bear. The thorny crown, if thou so will, to wear; Having thy love, which casteth out all

In thy New Year.

In thy New Year Send the white sunlight glimmering through the tear. heimweh. Getting themselves togeth- In deserts dim may Love his temples rear er, they celebrated as best they could And light the fires that burn to heaven

> In thy New Year. -Frank L. Stanton.

> > An Alarming Prospect.

THE MIRAGE DUEL

By ARTHUR L. SMITH.

"Speakin' o' mirages," said the old rancher, "we don't 'pear to git no such mirages as we used to git. Dunno whether the elyments has changed or my eyesight is breakin' down, but I don't see no more land liftin' with everything drawed as if it war a paintin' under your nose such as I seen often when I fust come to the country."

"What kind of mirages do you have down here," asked the gentleman from Massachusetts, "those that elevate objects or those that show objects having no existence?"

"Waal, I reckon you'd call 'em elevators."

"I've seen mirages on Lake Michigan," said the Chicago man, "but I never knew whether they were the eastern shore elevated or the western shore reflected."

"There ain't no reflection down here," remarked the rancher. "What you see you see. I saw somepin oncet that changed the hull course of my life. It wan't no reflection, you bet yer life." "How was that?" asked the Massa-

chusetts man. "'Twas this a-way: When I war a young man I worked at cow punchin' for a man as lived on a ridge that looked over a like ridge fifteen mile away. The river run between each ridge midway, and the ground on each side the river war as like as two peas. Tanner lived on the east ridge-he war the man I worked for-and fifteen miles away on the other ridge his brother-inlaw, Brant, had built a house after the planned 'em both, and lumber had been sawed for the two of 'em at oncet.

Each stood in the center of a big ranch. "Tanner had a daughter, Eunice, that tuk a shine to me. I war an innocent no notion o' hookin' up with any one and tried to keep her off my scent, but somehow, though I could git rid o' most things, I couldn't get rid o' her. Whenever I'd try it she'd set down beside me kind o' lovin'-like, and that'd

"Waal, at last she hived me, and the fust thing I knowed I had gone to the ole man and axed for his gal. He was willin', and so we was engaged, as they say in the towns. Eunice oncet havin' lassoed me gimme a good deal o' rope, jist as though we was married and L couldn't git away nohow.

"What made it hard on me was that I wanted another gal. That gal war Sally Brant, Eunice's cousin. Sally was a quiet little thing and didn't run after nobody. I couldn't see very much of her 'cause Eunice regarded me as her property and wouldn't let me off. evenin's to ride over to the Brant ranch, and daytimes I war lookin' after the cattle.

"One mornin' I found myself lost. There had been a heavy fog all night, and instead of takin' my bearin's before it settled and goin' to sleep whar I war I tried to pull through it. But suddent, about 10 o'clock in the mornin', the fog lifted and I found myself a mile from the Brant ranch house. Thinkin' it would be a good chance to go and tell Sally Brant that I war goin' to be married, I rode over. Sally was on the front veranda knittin' socks. I i'ined her and as soon as I could git up spunk told her that I war settled to be 'broke' by Eunice Tanner.

cryin'. "Of course thar war jist one thing to do. I set down on the bench beside her, put my arms around her, and"-"Kissed her?" asked the Chicago

She didn't say a word. She jist bent

down, and I could see that she war

man. "Kissed her? No; I war hon'able.

war engaged." "Well, go on."

"We war settin' facin' the valley, and suddent I lifted my eyes, and thar before me and lookin' hardly a stone's throw away war the Tanner ranch house. And thar on the veranda sat a feller and a gal in each other's arms. Of course I don't mean to say that I could recognize people fifteen miles away, but I knowed the couple must 'a' been Eunice and some feller. Although I would like to git rid of Eunice, it made me mad to see her in another feller's arms. I jumps up and, drawin' my shootin' iron, plugs away at the man. What did he do but the same to me. "I felt kind o' foolish as soon as it

war over, thinkin' my weepon would carry so far, and I set down ag'in. The feller must 'a' felt as I did, 'cause he set down ag'in, too, by his gal, just as I did by mine. We turned our backs to 'em, but we didn't like their lookin' even at our backs, so we went into the

"I tole Sally that I loved her and wanted her to marry me. She reminded me that I was pledged to Eunice, and I reminded her that, thanks to the mirage, I had found Eunice out. Sally then said, that bein' the case, it war right for me to shake Eunice, but if I went back to her she'd lasso me ag'in. Recognizin' this as true, I proposed we be married before goin' back. And so we war.

"When I went back, a married man, Eunice war mad enough to scalp me. I charged her with goin' back on me, and she denied it. But me and Sally both saw her, and that was all there war about it. Anyway, my wife says a noble, good man war saved from a bad woman by the mirage."

"Did it ever occur to you." asked the Massachusetts man, "that what you saw was the reflection of yourselves?" "Waal, now, I never thought o' that."

What the Jokesmiths Have to Say

Better Wait Until Asked. Anxious Mother-Why don't you mar-

ry young Swansen? He has good looks, good family, wealth and everything to be desired. Pretty Daughter-But there is one

very important thing lacking, mamma. Anxious Mother-What is that? Pretty Daughter-A proposal.-Chicago News.

From the Other Side.

"I am going to start a garden," announced Mr. Subbubs. "A few months from now I won't be kicking about "No," said the green grocer, "you'll

eat it unless forced to do so. The fall be wondering how I can afford to seil

New Year's Eve.

He rose to go. 'Twas New Year's eve.
''One kiss,'' he begged, ''my dear.''
She coyly said, "You cannot have Another kiss this year.' -Topeka State Journal.

Optimism and Pessimism. Student-What is pessimism? Philosopher-The faith of cowards. "Then what is optimism?" "The faith of fools."-New York



Fannie-My big sister is coming out

Katie-Dat's not'ing. Me big brudder is comin' out tonight too. He was up fer six months.

Keeping Women Down. Friend-How in the world was your motion defeated, dear? Suffragette-Our opponent took mean advantage. She placed wads of

came for a rising vote some of us couldn't get up.-Boston Transcript. An Oversight. "There seem to be very few at this meeting of the Society of Women to

Suppress Gambling." "I know, but unfortunately we forget that this is the day when so many of the members have their regular bridge parties."-Baltimore American.

Clothes. "It isn't what you pay for clothes that makes you well dressed," said

Mrs. Knicker. And Mrs. Bocker remarked: "No, in-

"The great danger," said the grave citizen, "is that we will drift into a paternal form of government." "Yes," answered Mr. Meekton, with a sigh. "Henriette seems worried about that every time I speak to the children."-Washington Star. Hope. "Your life is too sedentary," said the doctor. "What you need is constant excitement." "Well, I guess I'll get it," replied the fair patient. "I'm going to marry a man to reform him."-Philadelphia

A Son of Morpheus. gum on our chairs, and when the call

> Managing Director-Well, and what are your qualifications for the post of night watchman?

Applicant-Well, sir, for one thing, the least noise wakes me up.

The Sassy Thing! She-I wouldn't marry you if you

were the only man on earth. He-Well, considering that in such a case I would have a large number of deed; it's what you owe."-New York stunners to select from, I don't think

you would .- Boston Transcript.

Saving His Son. In the "Life and Works of Winslow Homer." by William Howe Downs, is this quaint anecdote:

Winslow Homer's relations with his father were always ideal and became more devoted as the father's life drew toward its end. But the father was a strong temperance man. He did not approve of Winslow's habit of taking what the New . England folks call an "11 o'clocker." When he was at Prout's Neck. Winslow tried to induce his father to take a little something pay for it, don't you?" for his stomach's sake. At 11 o'clock he would bring him a cocktail, and the two regularly went through with the following dialogue:

"Now, father, don't you think you'd better take this? It will do you good." "Is there any alcoholic liquor in that,

Winslow?" "Yes, father."

"Well. I won't touch it, then." "Father, if you don't take it I'll drink

"Well, Winslow, rather than have you destroy the tissues of your stomach by drinking this alcoholic beverage I'll drink it."

Attainment.

We sigh for things we scarce hope to gain And which, if all our own, would give no

peace. We vainly toil and struggle to release To knowledge nature's secrets. We com-That 'tis not given us to break some

To scale some peak, to win some golden

To do some mighty deed whose light shall Only when moons no longer wax and wane.

'Tis thus we empty all the springs of life To lose the blessing at our very hand, For faith and love, with glory as of sun, Illume the path of peace through every

No work is futile that is nobly planned. No deed is little if but greatly done.

-Edward Robeson Taylor.

It Couldn't Get Away.

In the state of Georgia lives a banker who is known behind his back as the human safety clutch. He has been accused of being nearly everything except a spendthrift.

He lives a mile from town on a plantation. One Sunday he remembered that he had left some important papers on his desk, and he gave an aged negro servitor on the place his keys and sent him for the documents.

It was a hot day, and the road was dusty, but in an hour the old darky returned with the papers intact. The ed smile, 'Of all my children the aeroowner felt in all his pockets.

"That's too bad, Uncle Jim," he said finally. "I thought I had a nickel here I was going to give you."

"Marse Henry," said Uncle Jim, "you look again. Ef ever you had a nickel you got it yit."-Saturday Evening Post.

A Man to Encourage. Wendell Phillips used to tell this him through a leak. story on Emerson with considerable

"Once while I was lecturing in the I was leaving the platform. He introtown for the next season and wanted as she turned to depart: to know if I would be kind enough to suggest some good lecturers. I re- jist as soon as the tub fills up yell plied that I would be glad to do so ag'in, an' I'll have another empty one and named Henry Ward Beecher, ready for ye." George William Curtis, Bayard Taylor and Emerson.

"'Emerson? Emerson?' said the young fellow, looking perplexed. 'Who is Emerson?'

"I informed him that Emerson was the leading philosopher of the country, one of its great original thinkers. The young fellow reflected a moment and called for a sandwich. The waiter and then observed:

"'Well, Mr. Phillips, we'll put Emerson on our course if you say so. I suppose a man of that sort ought to be encouraged."

The Canvas Was Good.

When Whistler was living in the Latin quarter in Paris in his youth a friend took him to task one day for his idleness.

"Why don't you pitch in and paint something?" said the friend. "Pretty soon your money will be all gone, and those three rolls of canvas will still be standing empty there behind the door, just as they've been standing for the last six weeks!"

Whistler, as he lay on the bed smoking his pipe, answered lazily: "But, you see, as long as there's nothing on the canvas I can sell it."

Disappointed.

In "Yesterday With the Fathers" Dr. William Wilberforce Newton gives an entertaining anecdote concerning one of the "fathers" and an observant small girl.

peculiar habit of breathing in air like halfway down the counter to the hunan organ bellows, and sometimes the gry one. When the short fellow lookwhistling of his air pipes could be ed and saw there was no ham between heard by occupants of the pews near the bun he slid it back up the counter, the pulpit. A little girl in Old Trinity at the same time exclaiming: "Deal church, becoming restless during the these over again, waiter. I got the preaching, asked her mother to let her joker."-National Monthly. go home. The mother refused, because she supposed that the bishop was approaching the end of his discourse. After the third refusal from a cannon, was found by his officer in her mother, who whispered that the a public house some distance away. bishop would not like to see a little girl go out of church while he was was the stern rebuke. preaching and that he was almost high falsetto:

"No, mother, he is not going to stop,

HIS JOB WAS SHAKY.

So Callahan Put a Couple of Nails In

to Hold It Down. This interesting narrative was reployee in the early morning hours the other day on a Smith street car:

"Is Callaban on the road vet?" "Sure. He's got a steady run on No.

"But I thought he got into trouble."

"He did. He struck a butcher's wagon some time ago," "That's bad."

"Divvel a bit Callahan thinks so." "And why?" "You know when a motorman hits

"Right you are. Well, a cold winter

was time to hit something. So he hit a

butcher's wagon." "Make me wise, will you?" "It's this way. Ever since he has

been here Callahan has been shaky about holding his job. One day he did \$10 worth of damage to the back of an undertaker's wagon, smashed a glass or something like that."

a dollar a week until the damage was made good." "Sure."

"'Well,' said Callahan to himself, that makes me job good for ten more me while I be owing them money." "Sure not."

"When he had all but \$2 paid on the undertaker's wagon Cailahan accidentally struck a pie wagon and damaged it \$10 worth. That made his job sure through the summer. He had the pie wagon business almost settled when he began to think about the winter coming on and how men would be laid off after the summer rush, so he waited for a good chance and swatted the butcher's wagon."

"How much was the damage?" "Fifty dollars. Callaban's sure of his job now for a year."-Brooklyn Times.

Hardest to Raise.

Harry N. Atwood, the aviator, was the guest of honor at a dinner in New York on the occasion of his recent record flight. Mr. Atwood's eloquent reply to a toast on aviation terminated neatly with these words: "The aeroplane has come at last, but it was a long time coming. We can imagine necessity, the mother of invention, looking up at a sky all criss crossed with flying machines and then saying, with a shake of her old head and a contentplane has been the hardest to raise."

Making Him Comfortable.

A drummer put up for the night in an out of the way boarding house. His room was under the roof. In the middle of the night, awakening from a dream that he was being drowned. he found a terrific thunderstorm in progress and the rain streaming in on

"Landlady! Landlady!" he yelled. And in reply to his yells the old landlady staggered upstairs and into west a young fellow came up to me as the room with a big washtub. She plumped the washtub down on top of duced himself, explained that a lec- the drummer, who gave a grunt of ture course was being talked of in his surprise and pain, and then she said

"There, son; now yer all right, an'

The Joker.

In the station restaurant the ham sandwiches were piled high upon the end of the counter when the 11:30 pulled in. The passengers had ten minutes to get a lunch, and the short, fat man realized this as he rushed in



"DEAL THESE OVER AGAIN, WAITER." When preaching the bishop had a picked up one of the buns and slid it

Clever Excuse.

An Irish soldier, placed on guard over "How dare you leave your post?"

"Ah, but it's no consequence at all, done now, the child answered in a plaze yer honor," said the man. "There's no two men able to lift that gun betwane them, much less carry it so I kem away, yer honor."

finished its season's run which began vealed in a conversation between the Oct. 9. Fifteen million pounds of sugar conductor and another railway em- were manufactured. The company expects to cut up 100,000 tons of beets next year and will start work on a new pulp dryer, new beet sheds and an addition to the warehouse, which will cost nearly \$200,000. The present factory is worth \$1,000,000 and the improvements planned will make it one of the largest in the country.

Michigan will have thirty delegates to the Republican national convention, anything and it is his fault he has to which meets in Chicago at noon on June 8, 1912, to nominate candidates for pre-"Sure, the company takes a dollar a sident and vice-president to represent week out of his envelope until it is the party at the polls on Nov. 5, 1912.

The burning of the Escanaba Lumber is coming on, and Callahan thought it company's mill at Masonville and the presence of J. K. Stack at Manistique early in the week has again started the rumor that the Stacks are making an effort to procure a location at Manistique or are figuring on buying the Chicago Lumber company's old mill and converting it into a hardwood lumber manufacturing plant. The fact that the bulk of the Escanaba "He was told he would have to pay company's timber is located east of that city is set forth as a strong argument in favor of the rumored prospective change of location

Since the Munising railway has been weeks anyway. They'll never discharge diverting its freight to the Manistique & Lake Superior, the latter company is enjoying a lucrative business. About twenty-five miles of heavy steel will be laid next summer and other improvements made imperative by the increased traffic are in contemplation.

The Miners' National bank of Ishpeming was severely damaged, the Marquette county telephone company put out of commission, and the Negaunee State bank destroyed Wednesday morning by fire. A telephone guy wire fell across the trolley wire during the night and when power was turned on early in the morning the heavy current set the Negaunee and Ishpeming telephone exchanges on fire. The fire departments worked hard in the bitter cold, but the Negaunee bank building and its contents were totally destroyed. The Ishpeming bank building is fireproof, but there was much damage to

Circuit Judge Flannigan has dispensed with the services of his stenographer, Miss Julia Nowack, and has closed his offices in the bank building at Norway until March 1, next. He is spending his winter vacation with Mrs. Flannigan and son Clement at Colorado Springs,

The village of L'Anse is probably the only town in Michigan that has a street paved with ice. There may be icy streets in other towns, but they are not manufactured ice streets, made for a special traffic, as is the street at L'Anse. The L'Anse ice pavement is a continuation of a logging road eight miles long from the camps of the Nester Lumber company seven miles east of the village. About a mile of the road runs through the village, over the principal street. Lumbermen manufacture ice roads for more convenient hauling and as the logs from the Nester camps are taken through L'Anse to be dumped into Keweenaw bay for rafting to Baraga mills it is necessary to continue the ice road through the village.

The Houghton Gazette says nobody seriously opposes the initiative, referendum and recall. It also advocates the nomination of Roosevelt on the Republican ticket. The Gazette acts as if it had seen some mural manuscript somewhere since last election.

The Oconto Enterprise tells how the Midnight Lumber Co. of that city was busted in its efforts to become a trust. By acquiring its lumber in the dark of the moon at Holt's mill yard, it was able to undersell all competitors and threatened to put them out of business. The process of putting its directors in jail, however, put a stopper on the trust, and its principal customer has had his saloon license revoked by the city council.

An Escanaba man has bought five hundred cherry trees, which he will set out in the city limits. He seems to be a man of much confidence in his neigh-

The year just closed was a good building year in Houghton according to a hasty calculation made by a prominent contractor. The total expenditure was well over \$300,000 which might be looked upon as a good year under the most prosperous conditions, and the past year has not been considered a good year for general business in Houghton or the

The Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic Ry. has boosted its valuations from \$7,758,605 to \$11,131,000, as reported to the state tax commission. The D., S. S. & A. is now paying taxes on an assessed valuation of \$9,600,000 as fixed by the commission and if the new figures are accepted the annual taxes of the company will be increased about \$50,000. It is not believed that the ed?" he roared. company is actuated by patriotic motives in voluntarily increasing its valuation, but that it wants the new figure for use in its fight against the two-cent I thought so now for three times, but off. An' if there was more than two I fare, as the earnings of the road would kill you you'll be a great man some he has gone and blowed himself up know I wouldn't be a match for them, have to be figured on the new valuation day." if it is accepted by the tax commission.

A DAINTIER DIET.

The Happy Thought That Came to the Timid Money Lender.

A gambler of Tin Can borrowed a sum from a money lender, and when the note fell due he said he could not

"You must settle!" shouted the money lender. "If you don't settle I'll"-But the gambler, taking a revolver from his boot, pointed it at the money

lender and said: "Eat that note or I'll let daylight

through you!" And the money lender, after a moment's silent thought, crumpled the note into a ball, put it in his mouth. chewed vigorously and then, with a gulp, swallowed the pulpy morsel.

"That dose saved your life," said the gambler in a mollified tone, and



"WAIT A MINUTE, MY FRIEND." the next day he had a streak of luck and paid the money lender in full. The money lender was much pleased with this honesty, and when the gam-

bler a few weeks later called and asked

for a new loan he was readily accom-The gambler, having pocketed the new loan, sat down, dipped a pen in the ink and selected a sheet of paper whereon to write the usual acknowledgment. But the money lender hasti-

ly interposed. "Hold on, my friend," he said, and he ran to a cupboard. "Wait a minute, my friend. Would you mind writing it on this soda cracker?"

A Candid Friend.

Rev. Ulysses G. B. Pierce, chaplain of the United States senate and President Taft's pastor at a Washington Unitarian church, told a group of senators a few days ago of a letter he had received the previous morning from a strong Methodist friend of his.

The letter read:

"Dear Doctor-Yesterday morning own church I was overtaken by the heavy rain we had. As I did not have an umbrella with me and was near your church, I went in, and for the first time listened to one of your sermons on the tenets of the Unitarian faith. Next Sunday I am going to carry an umbrella."-Saturday Evening Post.

It Wasn't Fair.

Several years ago Sam Jones, the Georgia evangelist, was at Emory Grove camp and the newspaper reports of his sermons caused him to complain. At the last service he looked down at the reporters, who sat at a table just in front of the pulpit, and said:

"And I want to tell you fellows that I like you a lot in spite of your manifold faults. You boys don't treat me right, though. You take my sermons and pick out a piece here and there string the pieces together, and naturally they read funny.

"Now, suppose I reported the Bible that way! A man asks me what the Bible tells him to do. I read in one place, "And Judas went out and other place I find, 'And do it quickly.' "Now, you see, boys, that sort of thing won't do. It ain't fair."

Division of Labor.

There were points of resemblance between Mrs. Hammond and the lilies of the field. She had married a young man who had a good salary, but she herself had never earned a penny in her life, nor had she been blessed with well to do parents.

"We have a joint account in the National Fountain bank," she announced A. D. 1911 to one of her friends when she had been married a few months. "It is such fun to pay bills by check."

"What do you mean by a joint account?" asked the incredulous friend. "Do you put in equal sums?" "Oh, I don't put in any," said Mrs.

Hammond. "Will puts it in, and I draw it out."

Awed by a Reporter. Mr. J. P. Morgan never did have any

toleration for newspaper interviewers. One young reporter did not know this. There had been an important business meeting, and when the reporter waylaid the banker the latter was in an even more irritable mood than usual. "What decision was come to at the

meeting?" asked the reporter. Mr. Morgan turned on him sharply.

"Don't you know I'm never interview-"Well, this time you're going to be,"

was the calm reply Mr. Morgan held his breath in amazement. Then he gasped and whispered

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for possession of the land. Description of Land, lot Six, block Eighteen. The I. Stephenson Company's Plat of hanged himself.' I turn over and read, North Escanaba, City of Escanaba according to plat thereof. Amount paid, \$5.99, tax for the 'Go thou and do likewise.' And in an- year 1907. All in the county of Delta, State of Michigan. Amount necessary to redeem, \$16.98 plus the fees for service

> To Peter Vacan, grantee under the last recorded deed, in regular chain, of title, to said land, or any interest therein.

State of Michigan County of Delta I do hereby certify and return that after careful inquiry and diligent search, I am un able to ascertain the whereabouts or Post Office address of Peter Vacan, grantee named in the last recorded deed in the regular chain of title, to lot six, block eighteen, the I. Stephenson

Company's Plat of North Escanaba, City of Escanaba, according to plat thereof. I am also unable to ascertain the postoffice address or whereabouts of any heir, executor, administrator, trustee, guardian, grantee, morgagee or assignee of said Peter Vacan, upon the within described premises

Dated Delta County, Michigan, this 22nd day of November, My fees, \$1.10

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December 16, 1911 February 17, 1912, DO YOU READ DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR U. S. LAND OFFICE AT MARQUETTE MICH. December 5, 1911

Notice is hereby given that Louis Tondolo whose post-office address is Defiance, Michigan, did, on the Second day of March, 1911, file in this office Sworn Statement and Application, No. 02888, to purchase the S. E. 1/4 of N. W.1/4 Section 26, Township 42 N., Range 23 W., Michigan Meridian, and the timber thereon, under the provisions of the act of June 3, 1878, and acts amendatory, known as the "Timber and Stone Law," at such value as might be fixed by appraisement, and that, pursuant to such application, the land and timber thereon have been estimated and valued by applicant the timber estimated 40,000 board feet, valued at \$100.00; and the land Nothing: that said applicant will offer final proof in support of his application and sworn statement on the 20th day of February, 1912, before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Delta County, at Escanaba, Mich-

Any person is at liberty to protest this purchase before entry, or initiate a contest at any time before patent issues, by filling a corrobot softly, "My boy, if somebody doesn't ed affidavit in this office, alleging facts which would defeat the entry.

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