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The largest inheritance tax paid since the enactment of the law was that of \$3,150,000 on the \$87,000,000 estate of the late Col. John Jacob Astor. Previous to that the estate of John S. Kennedy, valued at \$61,700,000, held the record.

Benjamin Altman, George A. Hearn, Isaac V. Brokaw and Isidor Straus, great merchants, are some of the men whose estates are being adjusted by the state comptroller. Mr. Altman left his art works, valued at \$10,000,000, to the Metropolitan museum. His total estate is supposed to be worth \$20,000,000.

Mr. Hearn, another noted art collector, left an estate of \$10,000,000, besides a notable art collection. The estate of Isaac V. Brokaw is estimated at \$5,000,000, and a valuation of \$4,427,608 was placed on the estate of Isidor Straus. Henry Flagler left an estate of \$3,000,000.

Other large estates settled in 1913 are those of D. O. Mills, who left about \$10,000,000; Edwin Hawley, valued at \$9,740,000, less debts of about \$4,000,000; and James R. Keene, estimated at \$20,000,000.

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Mrs. Colt Delights to Play the Part of  
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New York.—Mrs. Ethel Barrymore, known to theatergoers as Ethel Barrymore, one of the popular actresses of the American stage, delights to play the greatest role of her career in the seclusion of her home, where she is surrounded by her three children.



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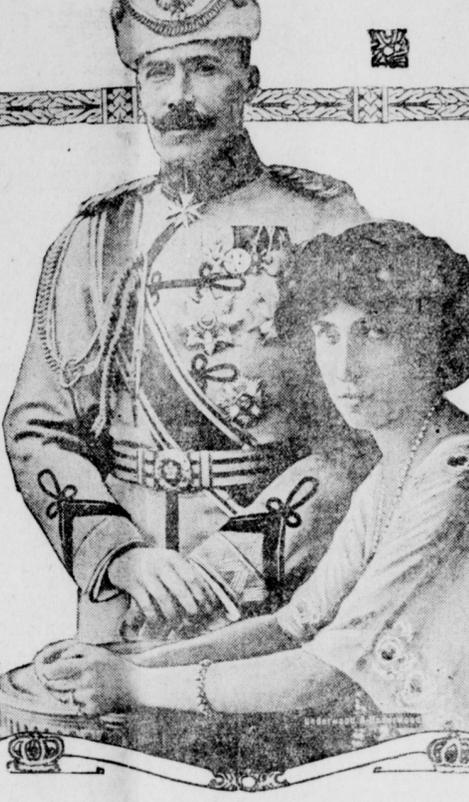
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## RULERS OF NEW KINGDOM OF ALBANIA



Prince William of Wied, the new king of Albania, and his consort received a warm welcome when they arrived at Durrazzo to assume their duties as the head of the new government. The king is shown in his official uniform as head of the army of Albania.

## STILL FIND WITCHES

Woman Freed for Sorcery Recently in Pennsylvania.

"Hex" Doctor Shoots Wax Image to Relieve Pains Caused by Powers of the Evil Eye—Salt in a Lawyer's Bed.

New York.—A woman tried for witchcraft! We hold up our hands and wonder at the bigotry of those narrow-minded Puritans in Salem, Mass. Such a situation seems so remote from anything that would be possible today! So we are in the habit of saying, but it is not an impossibility.

Only a short time ago a woman was tried for witchcraft in a court of law in south Pennsylvania. That was not the name used in the charge that was brought against her, but that was the accusation that was lodged in the minds of every one who was interested in the case, which was tried in a region so thoroughly saturated with traditional superstition that not even the present prosperity and general education can destroy them. Technically the woman was convicted of obtaining money under false pretenses, but actually she was convicted of being a witch—a "hex" doctor who "pow-wowed."

In the home of a prominent lawyer in Camden county there is a hole in the post of a mahogany bedstead filled with salt which witnesses to his belief in witchcraft. At one time he prosecuted a case against an old woman who, when convicted and fined, left the court muttering incantations and vowing vengeance.

That night the lawyer was suddenly attacked with violent pains in the head. The curse had come upon him and he feared the wretched old woman, whom he believed to be responsible for it. Only witchcraft can drive out witchcraft. No doctor of medicine would do in such a case.

A day laborer who was born with a caul over his face was brought in through the back door and taken to the bedroom of the suffering lawyer. The electric lights had been extinguished and a candle flickered at each side of the bed. Looking at the patient through the veil, which he averts is the identical one that he was born with, the "hex" doctor muttered his peculiar ritual, tied a rattlesnake around the sufferer's neck and bored the hole in the northeast leg of the bed, filling it with salt, over which he had chanted incantations. This done, he announced that the evil powers had notified the witch, who lived in a hut at some distance, that she could no longer hold dominion over the body of her enemy, the lawyer. The patient believed that his pains ceased from that hour.

A prosperous merchant in Carlisle permitted the body of his infant child to be covered with a coating of green paint in obedience to the orders of a "hex" doctor who had been called in to ward off the evil spirits.

A stranger in Carlisle pretended that he had suffered from pain in the stomach which he believed to be due to the evil eye of an old woman of the town who was generally believed

## GOOD NEWS EPITOMIZED

HAPPENINGS OF UNUSUAL INTEREST TO OUR READERS, IN READABLE SHAPE.

## BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

If It Was of Sufficient Importance You Will Find It Recorded Here.

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The new federal reserve banking system will start business with a total authorized capital of about \$100,000,000 for all reserve banks, no matter how many institutions the organization committee decides to set up. This fact became apparent when figures were made public from all national banks responding to the last call of the controller of the currency, made March 4.

Major Gen. William W. Wotherspoon, now assistant chief of staff of the army, has been selected to succeed Major Gen. Leonard Wood as chief of staff at the end of Gen. Wood's term, April 22. Brig. Gen. Hugh L. Scott, commanding the troops at Fort Bliss, Texas, will be assistant chief of staff. Gen. Wood will assume command of the Eastern department, with headquarters at Governor's Island, N. Y.

Historic St. Augustine, Fla., the oldest city in the United States, early Thursday was swept by fire which left in its wake the serious injury of two winter visitors, and it is thought one life was lost, the destruction of records and curios dating back to the days of Spanish rule in the sixteenth century and a property loss estimated at \$400,000.

The splitting of a switch in North Fort Worth caused the rear trucks of a Rosen Heights street car to leave the track, resulting in the serious injury of two women, who were awaiting a southbound car. The injured women are Mrs. India King and Mrs. Arthur Florey. They were awaiting the arrival of a car to come to town. The derailed car struck them as it whirled round.

Charles P. Kester, 47, an older in the End White Mill, Enid, Okla., died from injuries received in an accident. While oiling a box on a revolving shaft his sleeve caught on a set screw and his body whirled about at the rate of 180 revolutions per minute. The left arm was torn away at the elbow and the left side crushed. Kester lived about four hours.

Reports from many points indicate that the storm-swept area of Monday and Tuesday covered a large portion of Texas and Oklahoma. Monday's storm resulted in two deaths in Dallas County, Cary DeGrate and her husband, Allen DeGrate, colored, and on death in Cass county, Miss Meda Shallock of Marietta was crushed to death when her father's store was wrecked by a storm of tornado violence. A tornado passed near Enid, Okla., carrying destruction to farm buildings and fences. No one was reported killed or injured, although there were many narrow escapes.

The Seminole National bank and the First State bank of that city have consolidated and the name of the First State bank was perpetuated. The capital stock was increased to \$50,000.

The proposition to issue \$50,000 in bonds for the construction of a joint city and county hospital in Wichita county carried by a 4 to 1 majority. The bonds will be disposed of immediately and the proceeds used to construct the sanitarium.

Dallas will invite the state and the southwest to help celebrate the securing of the regional reserve bank, at a great prosperity dinner to be given April 10 at the coliseum or the Scottish Rite cathedral. All citizens of the entire regional reserve district will be invited to attend the dinner. Almost immediately upon receipt of the news that Dallas had secured the bank, many Dallas citizens began to suggest that the honor should be properly celebrated.

Exceptions to 186 suits demanding damages of \$160,000,000 against the American Sugar Refining Company and Jackson T. Witherspoon, local manager of the company, were filed in the federal court at New Orleans.

A vein of lignite of pretty fair quality was struck in the well being sunk by the Marshall Electric company on its property near the ice and light plant. The vein was found at a depth of between 60 and 80 feet and is 20 feet in thickness.

The Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone company has completed its phone system at Freeport and is now ready for service. The switchboard has a capacity of 150 phones.

The Mexican constitutionalists, under command of Gen. Villa, finally captured Torreon last Thursday night after 11 days of hard fighting and after he had lost 500 killed and about 1,500 wounded with the federal losses unknown, but estimated to be much greater.

Dallas has been selected as one of the 12 regional reserve bank cities of the United States. The district is considered as well arranged to care for business demands of the Southwest. The capital is \$5,634,091, with 726 national banks. The twelve reserve districts are numbered as follows: 1. Boston, 2. New York City, 3. Philadelphia, 4. Cleveland, 5. Richmond, 6. Atlanta, 7. Chicago, 8. St. Louis, 9. Minneapolis, 10. Kansas City, 11. Dallas, 12. San Francisco.

John Lind, for the last eight months' personal representative in Mexico of the president of the United States, sailed from Vera Cruz for Washington Friday aboard the presidential yacht Mayflower. The announcement of Mr. Lind's visit was made by President Wilson with the explanation that his envoy had requested a vacation and rest from his labors in a tropical climate and that as soon as that had been obtained he would return.

A much profit sharing plan, modeled in a way after that of Henry Ford, the automobile manufacturer, though, of course, on a much smaller scale, has been inaugurated at the factory of Hilburn Bros. of Wichita Falls. The factory employs about 50 girls and these are divided into four grades, according to quantity and quality of work, promptness and general efficiency. The girls in the highest grade are to receive a bonus of 10 per cent of their wages.

Ted Wolfe of Havana was in Fort Worth recently buying fine registered horses, jacks, cattle, hogs and sheep for a live stock show to be held in Havana, Cuba, from April 11 to May 2, for which about \$15,000 has been contributed by the Cuban government as prizes to competitors. Animals for the exhibition, Mr. Wolfe says, are preferably bought in Texas, because little difference exists in Texas the climate here and that of Cuba; also for the reason that the best show animals and the mount probable winners are to be had here.

A compilation of the building permits issued during March in the nine principal cities of Texas has been completed by the Texas business men's association, and shows that considerable building was in progress during that month. Construction licenses were issued in these cities in the sum of \$2,333,476 in March. Dallas heads the list with permits totaling \$807,213. Waco was Dallas' closest competitor, with \$435,620. The other cities and the amounts issued are Houston \$259,945, Galveston \$236,335, San Antonio \$204,540, Fort Worth \$193,290, Beaumont \$85,014, El Paso \$80,960 and Austin \$50,554.

Instructions to hold up, under the immigration laws, any of the Mexican refugees interned at Fort Bliss, who may be released under pending habeas corpus proceeding have been sent by Commissioner Caminetti to immigration inspectors along the border. In case the habeas corpus petition is granted the refugees will be immediately re-arrested and their right to enter the United States tested.

Manufacturers of a large rotary sub-soil plow are planning to give a demonstration with its new plow at San Angelo and has spent \$20,000 making preparations for this exhibition. It is claimed with this plow the soil can be tilled 188 inches below the surface and instead of turning the dirt, it leaves it in its natural condition with the rich top of the sod on top. A tract of 320 acres has been purchased near there for demonstration.

At a depth of 172 feet oil was struck on the Fuchs farm near Taylor. Further development is being planned.

Lawrence Ehrhardt, 9 years of age, was instantly killed in North Fort Worth when the upper wall of a sand pit in which he was playing, gave way, burying him beneath three feet of earth. His neck was broken when he fell face downward, and when his body was unearthed a few minutes later he was dead.

The citizens of Cooper have voted a bond issue of \$5000 to be spent in a school building, the vote being 169 for and 7 against the issue.

Judge Dillon of the common pleas court, Columbus, Ohio, has granted an alternative writ ordering Attorney General Hogan to institute proceeding to oust the tandard Oil Company and its subsidiaries, including the Imperial Oil Company of Canada from doing business in Ohio. The case is set for hearing April 20.



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The largest inheritance tax paid since the enactment of the law was that of \$3,150,000 on the \$75,000,000 estate of the late Col. John Jacob Astor. Previous to that the estate of John S. Kennedy, valued at \$61,700,000, held the record.

Benjamin Altman, George A. Hearn, Isaac V. Brokaw and Isidor Straus, great merchants, are some of the men whose estates are being adjusted by the state comptroller. Mr. Altman left his art works, valued at \$10,000,000, to the Metropolitan museum. His total estate is supposed to be worth \$30,000,000.

Mr. Hearn, another noted art collector, left an estate of \$10,000,000, besides a notable art collection. The estate of Isaac V. Brokaw is estimated at \$5,000,000, and a valuation of \$4,427,508 was placed on the estate of Isidor Straus. Henry Flagler left an estate of \$6,000,000.

Other large estates settled in 1913 are those of D. O. Mills, who left about \$10,000,000; Edwin Hawley, valued at \$2,740,000, less debts of about \$4,000,000, and James R. Keene, estimated at \$20,000,000.

## BARRYMORE IN BEST ROLE

### Mrs. Colt Delights to Play the Part of Mother With Her Children About Her.

New York.—Mrs. Ethel Barrymore Colt, known to theatergoers as Ethel Barrymore, one of the popular actresses of the American stage, delights to play the greatest role of her career in the seclusion of her home, where she is surrounded by her three children.

In the home of a prominent lawyer in Camden county there is a hole in the post of a mahogany bedstead filled with salt which witnesses to his belief in witchcraft. At one time he prosecuted a case against an old woman who, when convicted and fined, left the court muttering incantations and waving vengeance.

That night the lawyer was suddenly attacked with violent pains in the head. The curse had come upon him and he feared the wretched old woman, whom he believed to be responsible for it. Only witchcraft can drive out witchcraft. No doctor of medicine would do in such a case.

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The doctor knelt on the floor and the patient was told to hold his hands upon the seat of his pants. The bullet was then fired into the abdomen of the wax figure, while incantations were said, and the man was assured that he was cured. With all truthfulness he could say that he had no more pain and for himself had proved the existence of witchcraft in Pennsylvania in the twentieth century.

## RULERS OF NEW KINGDOM OF ALBANIA



Prince William of Wied, the new king of Albania, and his consort received a warm welcome when they arrived at Durrazzo to assume their duties at the head of the new government. The king is shown in his official uniform as head of the army of Albania.

## STILL FIND WITCHES

### Woman Freed for Sorcery Recently in Pennsylvania.

### "Hex" Doctor Shoots Wax Image to Relieve Pains Caused by Powers of the Evil Eye—Salt in a Lawyer's Bed.

New York.—A woman tried for witchcraft! We hold up our hands and wonder at the bigotry of those narrow-minded Puritans in Salem, Mass. Such a situation seems so remote from anything that would be possible today! So we are in the habit of saying, but it is not an impossibility.

Only a short time ago a woman was tried for witchcraft in a court of law in south Pennsylvania. That was not the name used in the charge that was brought against her, but that was the accusation that was lodged in the minds of every one who was interested in the case, which was tried in a region so thoroughly saturated with traditional superstition that not even the present prosperity and general education can destroy them. Technically the woman was convicted of obtaining money under false pretenses, but actually she was convicted of being a witch—a "hex" doctor who "pow-wowed."

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## GOOD NEWS EPITOMIZED

### HAPPENINGS OF UNUSUAL INTEREST TO OUR READERS, IN READABLE SHAPE.

## BOTH FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC

### If It Was of Sufficient Importance You Will Find It Recorded Here.

When Thomas Flanagan of Alva, Okla., drove to the country to visit his brother, John Flanagan, and family, he found the family of father, mother and child all dead, buried in a dugout which had collapsed as the result of recent rains, burying them alive.

The new federal reserve banking system will start business with a total authorized capital of about \$199,000,000 for all reserve banks, no matter how many institutions the organization committee decides to set up. This fact became apparent when figures were made public from all national banks responding to the last call of the controller of the currency, made March 4.

Major Gen. William W. Wotherspoon, now assistant chief of staff of the army, has been selected to succeed Major Gen. Leonard Wood as chief of staff at the end of Gen. Wood's term, April 22. Brig. Gen. Hugh L. Scott, commanding the troops at Fort Bliss, Texas, will be assistant chief of staff. Gen. Wood will assume command of the Eastern department, with headquarters at Governor's Island, N. Y.

Historic St. Augustine, Fla., the oldest city in the United States, early Thursday was swept by fire which left in its wake the serious injury of two winter visitors, and it is thought one life was lost, the destruction of records and curios dating back to the days of Spanish rule in the sixteenth century and a property loss estimated at \$400,000.

The splitting of a switch in North Fort Worth caused the rear trucks of a Rosen Heights street car to leave the track, resulting in the serious injury of two women, who were awaiting a southbound car. The injured women are rs. India King and Mrs. Arthur Florey. They were awaiting the arrival of a car to come to town. The derailed car struck them as it whirled round.

Charles P. Keester, 47, an oiler in the Enid White Mill, Enid, Okla., died from injuries received in an accident. While oiling a box on a revolving shaft his sleeve caught on a set screw and his body whirled about at the rate of 180 revolutions per minute. The left arm was torn away at the elbow and the left side crushed. Keester lived about four hours.

Reports from many points indicate that the storm-swept area of Monday and Tuesday covered a large portion of Texas and Oklahoma. Monday's storm resulted in two deaths in Dallas County, Cary DeGrate and her husband, Allen DeGrate, colored, and on death in Cass county, Miss. Mada Shalook of Marietta was crushed to death when her father's store was wrecked by a storm of tornado violence. A tornado passed near Enid, Okla., carrying destruction to farm buildings and fences. No one was reported killed or injured, although there were many narrow escapes.

## DUKE SEEKS LADY MANNERS

### Abruzzi's Affections Now Said to Have Turned to the Young English Noblewoman.

London.—Has Lady Diana Manners succeeded Mrs. "Billy" Pitt in the affections of the duke of the Abruzzi? That is the report which comes from London. So the duke may not have been so very hard hit by the refusal



Duke of the Abruzzi.

of the fair Miss Elkins to become his morganatic wife. Lady Diana is the third daughter of the duke of Rutland and is twenty-two years old. She is accounted a beauty in England. Her sister is the marchioness of Anglesey.

Man Was "Still" Drunk. Chicago.—William Roberts was before Judge Dolan, charged with disorderly conduct. The judge remembered him. "Drunk again?" asked the judge. "No, yet," answered Roberts. "Ten dollars and costs," said the judge. "Thanks," said Roberts.

The Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone company has completed its phone system at Freeport and is now ready for service. The switchboard has a capacity of 150 phones.

The Mexican constitutionalists, under command of Gen. Villa, finally captured Torreon last Thursday night after 11 days of hard fighting and after he had lost 500 killed and about 1,500 wounded with the federal losses unknown, but estimated to be much greater.

Dallas has been selected as one of the 12 regional reserve bank cities of the United States. The district is considered as well arranged to care for business demands of the Southwest. The capital is \$5,634,091, with 726 national banks. The twelve reserve districts are numbered as follows: 1. Boston, 2. New York City, 3. Philadelphia, 4. Cleveland, 5. Richmond, 6. Atlanta, 7. Chicago, 8. St. Louis, 9. Minneapolis, 10. Kansas City, 11. Dallas, 12. San Francisco.

John Lind, for the last eight months' the personal representative in Mexico of the president of the United States, sailed from Vera Cruz for Washington Friday aboard the presidential yacht Mayflower. The announcement of Mr. Lind's visit was made by President Wilson with the explanation that his envoy had requested a vacation and rest from his labors in a tropical climate and that as soon as that had been obtained he would return.

A much profit sharing plan, modeled in a way after that of Henry Ford, the automobile manufacturer, though, of course, on a much smaller scale, has been inaugurated at the factory of Hilburn Bros. of Wichita Falls. The factory employs about 50 girls and these are divided into four grades, according to quantity and quality of work, promptness and general efficiency. The girls in the highest grade are to receive a bonus of 10 per cent of their wages.

Tred Wolfe of Havana was in Fort Worth recently buying fine registered horses, jacks, cattle, hogs and sheep for a live stock show to be held in Havana, Cuba, from April 11 to May 2, for which about \$15,000 has been contributed by the Cuban government as prizes to competitors. Animals for the exhibition, Mr. Wolf says, are preferably bought in Texas, because little difference exists in Texas the climate here and that of Cuba; also for the reason that the best show animals and the mount probable winners are to be had here.

A compilation of the building permits issued during March in the nine principal cities of Texas has been completed by the Texas business men's association, and shows that considerable building was in progress during that month. Construction licenses were issued in these cities in the sum of \$2,333,476 in March. Dallas heads the list with permits totaling \$807,213. Waco was Dallas' closest competitor, with \$435,620. The other cities and the amounts issued are Houston \$259,945, Galveston \$236,335, San Antonio \$204,540, Fort Worth \$193,290, Beaumont \$85,914, El Paso \$80,960 and Austin \$30,554.

Instructions to hold up, under the immigration law, all of the Mexican refugees interned at Fort Bliss, who may be released under pending habeas corpus proceedings have been sent by Commissioner Caminetti to immigration inspectors along the border. In case the habeas corpus petition is granted the refugees will be immediately re-arrested and their right to enter the United States tested.

Manufacturers of a large rotary sub-soil plow are planning to give a demonstration with its new plow at San Angelo and has spent \$20,000 making preparations for this exhibition. It is claimed with this plow the soil can be tamped 188 inches below the surface and instead of turning the dirt, it leaves it in its natural condition with the rich top of the sod on top. A tract of 320 acres has been purchased near there for demonstration.

At a depth of 172 feet oil was struck on the Puchs farm near Taylor. Further development is being planned.

Lawrence Ehrhardt, 9 years of age, was instantly killed in North Fort Worth when the upper wall of a sand pit in which he was playing gave way, burying him beneath three feet of earth. His neck was broken when he fell face downward, and when his body was unearthed a few minutes later he was dead.

The citizens of Cooper have voted a bond issue of \$5000 to be spent in a school building, the vote being 169 for and 7 against the issue.

Judge Dillon of the common pleas court, Columbus, Ohio, has granted an alternative writ ordering Attorney General Hogan to institute proceedings to oust the tandard Oil Company and its subsidiaries, including the Imperial Oil Company of Canada from doing business in Ohio. The case is set for hearing April 20.

# WEAKNESS OF THE UNITED STATES IN COUNTRIES OF SOUTH AMERICA

### John T. Lenfestey Tells of American Commerce on the Southern Continent—European Nations, Germany, England and France, Now Get Lion's Share of the Business—Three Causes for This Are Named.

Chicago.—John T. Lenfestey has returned to Chicago from his tour of the principal states of South America, with numerous vivid stories of his experiences, as shown by his comments made to the London correspondent of The Daily News and reiterated here. He was deeply impressed by the mental alertness and the proud spirit of the peoples among whom he traveled. "It is high time," said Mr. Lenfestey, "that we people in the north disabused our minds of the foolish notion that we can treat South Americans with indifferent courtesy and have their friendship. They are wonderfully responsive to respectful and cordial treatment. I hope the American people will grasp this fact quickly, and I hope that in future no citizen of the United States, distinguished or undistinguished, will come to Central or South America and behave otherwise than he would behave if he were traveling among the most civilized and powerful people of the world.

"Enough on that point. England has the same spirit in commerce that no Flint Gen. Grey displayed in the conquest of the West Indies for England. British capitalists have scouts all over South America placing money with South American republics, and English contractors are on the ground to bring it back home for railroads, docks, harbors, battleships, explosives, guns and factories of all kinds. The Belgians, French and Germans are not far behind, 'gunbooming' around for governments, corporations and individuals who need money and have security to offer for its use. In this way they remove resistance and make it easy for the manufacturers of their nations to sell the products they desire to move.

"Many Americans, looking around for openings without money, return home disappointed. North American salesmen in South America who speak Spanish are well satisfied with the success they are enjoying, and North American goods are given the preference more than ever before. There are three elements of weakness in the development of North American commerce. First, the absence of banking facilities under North American influence; second, ignorance of the geography of South America, and third, failure to properly fill orders and pack goods safely so as to insure them against the rough handling they receive in cargo steamers.

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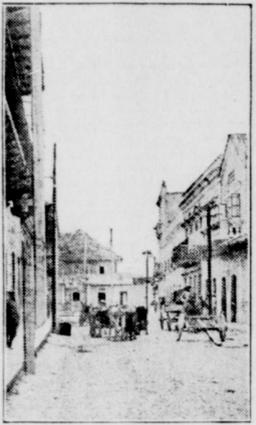
"The commercial instinct for merchandising is not very highly developed in South America, but the people there have much the same nature as elsewhere, and are reached in much the same manner, except that they are more sentimental and like to be made love to. The love making they appreciate most is a display of confidence in them manifested by loaning them money for the purpose of building up and developing the republic they live under and love.

"South Americans recognize that public and private debts figure conspicuously in the older and more successful countries, and they see no reason why the per capita public debt of their nation and the cities they live in should not equal that of England, Germany or the United States. Judging by extracts taken from our North American papers, there are not so many famous grafters and less newspaper publicity is given to grafting in South America than is the case with us.

"Spain and Portugal have sacked and sapped the South American republics for hundreds of years. Last year 147,000 emigrants from Spain moved into Argentina to till the soil thus atoning in part for the injury wrought by their ancestors to the South American countries. These poor people from Spain are more needed in

Argentina than the rich; they have succeeded in making ten heads of wheat grow where one grew before, and by their labor have been able to utilize the land, hitherto nonproductive, controlled by the members of the Buenos Ayres Jockey club.

"Brazil is dominated commercially, to a great extent, by Germans, who sit steady in the boat and daily enlarge their sphere of influence. They are ever ready on the ground with technical knowledge to produce what ever is wanted, as and when wanted.



Street of Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

packed to arrive in the units wanted, with customs duty paid and bill rendered for delivery where and when wanted. This is one of the secrets of their success in Brazil, as they stand alone among nations for giving such complete service.

"South American republics are in much the same position as many unfortunate manufacturers in North America who are short of capital, owing to the inability of their bankers to see visions. It is said that in North America there are only two bankers who are big enough to recognize good visions and capitalize them.

"A foreign consul remarked to me that Europe was supplying the money and North America was selling the goods. By that he meant to say that American influence and commerce were growing rapidly in South America.

"I had a great time wherever I went. I found the people, native and foreign, sympathetic and generous of time, effort and money. I must tell you about a thrilling ride I had in Peru. By the way, I found the rail ways of the west coast, though owned by the English, operated by Americans from the top to bottom. It seems to be clearly recognized that the operating genius of American railway men, is unrivaled. At Lima, Peru, expressing to J. H. Feehan, manager of the Central railroad of Peru, desire to go up the mountain, my request was immediately granted. For seven hours we ascended the grade—a four per cent one—finally arriving at our destination, Rio Blanco, 12,300 feet up. The rain clouds were driving about us and the blue sky gleamed beautifully through them. The view was vast and superb. I was 'tobogganed' back to Lima, 75 miles. That is to say, a man named Kelley took me on a handcar and ran down the line right into the city by gravity. We made the return trip in two and a half hours. It was rather late when we started back and for half an hour at the end of the journey we ran in



The Capitol of Buenos Ayres.

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### BIG U. S. BATTLESHIP READY

Texas, Most Powerful in World, Goes Into Commission—Dreadnaught Leaves for Norfolk Navy Yard.

Newport, News, Va.—All ready for "fight or frolic," the giant superdreadnaught Texas most powerful battleship afloat in the world, left the yards of her builders here, the Newport News Shipbuilding company, for the Norfolk navy yard, there to be turned

### HYDROPLANE ATTRACTS SOCIETY WOMEN



Mrs. Payne Whitney of New York is one of the society women who have been attracted by Steve MacGordon's hydroplane, which skims over the water like a seagull. The picture shows Mrs. Whitney and MacGordon just after a flight.

over to Rear Admiral Usher, commandant of the Norfolk station. This monster of the sea carries as its principal fighting equipment a battery of ten 14-inch guns, being the first warship in the world to be fitted out with guns of such large caliber. In addition it has in its main battery 21 five-inch guns.

In length the fighter is 573 feet, with a beam 95 feet 2 1/2 inches, so that in passing through the Panama canal locks she would have almost 15 feet to spare. Although her designed speed was 21 knots, in her trials off the Maine coast last October she did her fastest mile in 22.28 knots. She has a displacement of 27,000 tons, a horsepower of 35,000 and draws 28 feet 6 inches. Her armor belt is 11 inches thick.

Lack of Rocking Chairs Causes Suit Pittsburgh, Pa.—Because her husband wouldn't provide her with rocking chairs other than the kind that "rocks both ways," Mrs. John Grayson sued for divorce.

the dark. It was my most thrilling experience in South America.

"I do not feel that one can too strongly underline the fact that for most part the American diplomatic and consular representatives now in South America are rendering service of the highest possible value to the United States. Undoubtedly the foremost man among these able public servants is Ambassador E. V. Morgan at Rio de Janeiro. He is an ideal ambassador. His tact, intelligence, sympathy and intimate knowledge of all classes and conditions of society mark him off as a diplomat of extraordinary ability. So popular is he both with the public and Brazilian government that when it came to be understood that he was at the point of retiring from the service, the Brazilian government specially requested the Washington government not to permit him to retire. I say this about Mr. Morgan and his confreres of both services because I realize how important it is that the United States should have in South America men thoroughly initiated into the life of those countries. To change a man like Mr. Morgan at Rio de Janeiro, or our ambassadors at Montevideo, Buenos Ayres, Santiago or Valparaiso would be a calamity. They all have won a position that only fact and time give one and they have spent a great deal of money over and above the pitance allowed by our government."

### ATTACK OLD CHURCH ABUSE

Prominent Englishmen Join to End Sale of Life Rectories in British Isle.

London.—The Duke of Rutland, Earl Porteus, Lord Hugh Cecil, Sir Charles Walsby and other prominent men have organized, at the suggestion of the Westminster Gazette, a movement to rid the Church of England of the evil of the sale of "advowsons," the right of presentation to a church or other ecclesiastical benefice.

Of the 13,000 benefices in the United Kingdom more than eleven hundred are dispensed by the king, more than seven hundred by the universities, and the rest by either bishops or other ecclesiastics, or else by the nobles, esquires or other private individuals who own the "livings" in parishes. For centuries it has been the prerogative of these private "owners" of parishes to sell the post of established preacher, which is literally a life job.

There still remain in England and Wales about six hundred parishes where the right of naming the rectors is held by private owners, who sell it the same way as other property. In these places the parishioners possess little, if any, guarantee that the requirements of religion or social well-being will be considered by the patron. The owner has in the parish a certain income and creates a parson's freehold, and not even the bishop can prohibit the sale if certain forms be observed.

The present movement is an attempt to preserve the spiritual rights of villagers. For a living worth \$1,000 a year a clergyman pays \$5,000 down and he gets a life post. At his death the place again is sold. When he is ill he has to hire a substitute or do without. There is no way to get rid of him, so long as he commits no criminal act.

### W. R. GEORGE IS ABSOLVED

Directors of Association of Junior Republics Express Confidence in Accused Official.

New York.—William R. George, founder of the George Junior Republic, was exonerated by the board of directors of the National Association of Junior Republics of the charges brought against him recently relating to his alleged treatment of certain young women members of the Free Republic in this state. A board of judges composed of Joseph H. Choate, Samuel Seabury and Miss Lillian D. Wald, to whom the records of the case had been submitted, found recently that George had been guilty of "wilful misconduct" but had not been swayed by a desire to injure or abuse young women. The report of the special committee and the opinion of the board of judges were upheld by the national directors.

# Side Show Sidelights

## Diverting Chronicles of Circus Life

By FRANCIS METCALFE

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### THE LIONESS SKIRT DANCE AND THE INCONSIDERATE PYTHON.

The conventional skirt dance has long ceased to be a novelty on the vaudeville stage, but as it is performed at "La Belle Selica" in the arena at the amusement park it holds the interest of that most exacting audience—a crowd of Coney Island pleasure seekers. It is not because Selica is pre-eminent among dancers, but on account of the unusual and dangerous stage setting; for she performs in the large exhibition cage, surrounded by a half dozen lionesses, each animal seated on a separate pedestal. Any one of the huge beasts could crush the dancer with a single blow of a massive paw, and the great jaws which snap viciously at her tiny feet as she kicks them before their faces are sufficiently powerful to crush the shin-bone of an ox.

She is apparently without fear of them, for she dances gracefully from one to the other, flicking them across their faces with the light switch which she carries for her only protection, and kicking over their heads and into their very mouths, always missing the answering snap of the jaws by the fraction of an inch, and acknowledging it with a smile as she whirls away to repeat the performance before another pedestal. The lionesses see the performance many times in the course of a season, but they never lose interest in it and they do not remove their eyes from Selica from the time she enters the cage until she drives them out before her. So long as she is on her feet and agile enough to escape the swift stroke of a paw or the snapping jaws, she is safe; for a lioness would not jump at her from a pedestal; but there is always the chance of a slip or a false step and then—!!!

It happened once, and caused a suspension of Selica's performance for two months during the last big exposition, for Grace, the largest lioness, was on her feet before she could recover herself; and it required the efforts of the animal man and all of his assistants to beat back the beasts which entangle him. The cub born in captivity is familiar with men from the first, and plays with them like a kitten until one day he is out of sorts or is accidentally hurt in a frolic and the swift cut of his razor-like claws makes his playmate or tormentor drop him and leave him in peace. That makes it hard for the trainer when he takes him in hand, for although the cub may be subdued, he remembers that he was once victorious and watches his chance. Jack Bonavia, the greatest trainer who ever went into a lion's cage, would have two good arms today if Bonavia more had been born in the Nubian desert instead of in Manchester.



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"I remember once," he said, as he wiped the froth from his mustache, "when a guy named Merritt and myself were running a snake show in New York that we couldn't pay the rent because the papers wouldn't give us any publicity, although we had the best collection of wrigglers that had ever been together. We were running it on the dead level, may I say about it, and Merritt's lecture was highly instructive and interesting and more than half true; but we saw that we couldn't win out at the game unless we crooked it. We were running so far behind that the only thing which saved us from a dispossession was the fact that they couldn't get a constable who would carry the snakes out to the sidewalk; but Merritt was a resourceful cuss and I felt confident that he would figure out some scheme to win out.

"Jim," says he, "it's necessary for us to give 'em a sensation. We've tried to run this game as a purely moral and instructive entertainment, but we need the money and I reckon we've got to spring a cold deck on 'em. I guess together, we're being attacked by an untamable, man-eating python."

"You can count me out on that," says I. "Every gazabo in the city would size me up as a victim of the demon rum." Merritt looked discouraged for a minute, but his face suddenly lit up and I knew he had found a way.

"Jim," says he, "if we only take half of our usual allowance of fire-cash to buy some paint. Now there's a man ever captured, the 'pythonatus lactalis giganteus.'" says he. "That was one trouble with Merritt; he'd get so stuck on the language which he manufactured that he couldn't leave it out, even in our business consultations, and it used up a lot of time. That python is the

straight goods," says he, "but he doesn't catch their eyes, so I'll paint the blame snake red, white and blue and christen him the 'anacondus flagellum americanus e puribus unum,' and give the high brows something to work on," says he. "That'll work up the snakologists and set 'em writing in the papers to prove that there isn't any such thing; but we've got the answer to that, for we can show 'em one at twenty-five cents per."

"I never could stand for flim-flaming the generous public, but my meek ticket was punched so full of holes that it looked like a porous plaster, and I consented. Merritt spent most of the night decorating that python, and in the morning it looked like the pennant of a man-o-war. I had to sit up and watch him, for he had the artistic temperament, and he was so carried away by his enthusiasm that if I hadn't restrained him he would have put out the eagle, motto and all.

"Now," says he, when he had finished and stepped back to admire his work, "if the blame snake's own mother would know him if she met him on the street, I'm a Dutchman. If this don't make 'em sit up and take notice, then I'll go to night school to learn the show business."

"How did the scheme work?" asked the proprietor, as the press agent paused to make the grand halling sign of distress to the waiter.

"Work!" he answered. "How does a fake always work in New York? The python was so stuck on its new colors that it nearly broke its neck turning around to admire itself and everything went lovely. Of course there was the usual howl from the snakologists who knew it all, and 'Old Subscriber,' 'Citizen,' 'Pro Bono Publico' and the rest of the bunch wrote columns, denouncing us as frauds.

"You know how those things work; everybody puts up an argument and then it's up to the fellow who is making the bluff to back it up with an offer to donate a sum of money to some charitable institution if he can't deliver the goods. We were well ahead of the game as a result of the advertising and had about two thousand to the good and Merritt got a awful chesty. He had lied about that snake so much that he believed in it himself and it made me a little nervous one night when he offered to donate two thousand dollars to the 'Home for Deceitful Side Show Fakers' if any one could produce another specimen like this one, short of the head waters of the Amazon. I wasn't scared so much by that as by what I feared he might say, 'I know they couldn't get another if they raked the universe with a fine-toothed comb, and sure enough, he was carried away by his enthusiasm and offered to bet our entire bank roll that the snake was a genuine 'American flag,' such as had never been exhibited in any country.

"It was just our luck that there was a half-loaded tin-horn gambler in the audience that night; one of the kind that wears a yellow diamond and a checked suit with a white stove-pipe hat; and the only part of the speech that he understood was that somebody wanted to make a bet. That raised his sporting blood, and he climbed up to the platform and pulled out a roll of yellow boys that would choke a dog and peeled off twenty centies.

"I don't know much about snakes which bromide won't make chase themselves back to the woods," says he as he plunked 'em down on the table. "I ain't got your gift of gab, but money talks and I've got this pile to say that you can't tell the truth to save your neck. Just stack up your pile alongside of that and then throw out your snakelet." I was feeling pretty sore on Merritt for making such a bluff, but of course, we had to make good and between us we covered the bet. We had glass cases full of snakes all around the platform, but 'Old Glory' was in a big chest covered with gilt figures and brass chains and fastened with a padlock. Merritt was mad clear through at having his word questioned, but he looked pretty confident as he stuck the key in the lock.

"It's a shame to take the money," says he, as he eyed the gambler, but there's an old saying about the mental capacity of a man that is speedily separated from his bank roll, and I reckon you were away from home the last time the fool killer called. The gambler just smiled and kept his eye on the stakes.

"Now," says he, turning to the audience, "if you'll kindly give me your attention I'll show you one of the most marvelous mysteries of nature. It was procured by one of our special agents at the head waters of the Amazon at tremendous expense. It is a unique representative of the reptilian pride in the hearts of all patriotic Americans; for as he unwinds his sinuous coils you will observe that while his head and neck are blue, the body, down to the tip of the tail, is marked with thirteen alternate stripes of red and white, giving this marvelous creature the appearance of being wrapped in that glorious emblem of liberty which waves over the land of the brave and the home of the free." Merritt stops then, throwing out his chest and sticking his hand into the bosom of his coat to wait for the customary applause from the gallery to subside; but in stead of the usual glad hands he was greeted with a roar of laughter and cat-calls which when he turned to look at the snake box, there was 'Old Glory' crawling out, looking ashamed of himself, for he was as white as the day he was born.

"What happened?" asked the proprietor as the press agent sighed.

"Well, Merritt always had presence of mind, and as the sport gathered up our hard earned shekels he grabbed me by the arm and hurried me from the building. He knew that a Bowery audience was apt to follow cat-calls with antique eggs and vegetables of last season's vintage, and five minutes later we were trying to drown our sorrow.

"Jim," says Merritt, "I made a big mistake, for I should have tattooed and the blame snake shed his skin."

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"Yes," admitted the dairy maid, "you object?"

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HAS ENGLAND FAILED IN INDIA?



Delhi, India. British rule in India is suffering the evil results of its own virtues. It has taught Indians to stand alone...

In the face of difficulty, is creditable in the extreme. Good Government Established.

It is impossible, within the limits of this article, even to sketch all the achievements or the failures of British rule in India. One can do little more than suggest how, in the far East, a great nation, destined to play a large part in tomorrow's world...

CAUSE OF TROUBLE

By CV WARMAN.

No. 7, the Salt Lake Limited, used to chase No. 21, the fast freight, into Salda, as a train chases a tomat into the kitchen. If 21 was ten minutes late, she had to pull right into the yards...

Now, if you have never done 120 miles on an alkali division in summer, you will say it's a small thing to scrap about. Why don't you pull on up into the yard?

All this time Killen, the yardmaster, was giving frantic signals for the double-header to hold the train up to the yard. Hill didn't appear to see these signals. When the yardmaster saw that the brakeman was cutting off, he jumped on the footboard and told the driver of the 103 (that was the goat) to back up.

The yardmaster—whose word is law in the yard limits—ordered them to back up, couple on and pull the train. Hill asked him where the yardmen were. Killen intimated that that was his business.



Chased the Yardmaster, Across the Track.

later, they heard Tom answer his signal. "Now will you back up? You still have two minutes to save your job."

All three of the engines were blowing off. Hill beckoned Killen up under the cab window and told him to ask Carr. As Killen went back, Hill's fireman dropped off and picked up the pilot-bar of the 217. As he did so, Hill pushed forward, and before the yard engineer knew what had happened, they were all coupled up.

Without taking time to hear the case the motive-power officials were inclined to sympathize with the road engineers, while young Ridgway leaned toward the yard crew.

Hill and Carr were in bad. The law of the rail is to obey orders on the road and kick after.

The conductor of No. 7 was first to report. Cause of delay: "Lines blocked by twenty-one."

Dispatcher to Hill—Matter at Salda? Hill—Yard crew. Dispatcher—Matter with yard crew?

Hill—Coffin vanish. The ward crew, save Killen, were still lapping up intoxicants at McGuire's, along whose front porch lay the lead of the yard tracks.

Meanwhile, Hill and Carr received orders, while their engines were being turned, and were now screaming down the Grand Canyon of the Arkansas for Pueblo, wondering what they would do to kill time for the next 30 days.

When the two sections of 7 and three sections of 21 had departed—the last section an hour and forty minutes late—Killen went over to McGuire's to round up his Indians.

As the evening was young, some of them objected to the yardmaster's interference, and, eventually, they started a row among themselves. One fellow found a gun and chased the yardmaster across the track as No. 8 was coming in from Leadville.

Just here, John Hill's good fortune, which has chased him through 45 years, turned up. Mr. Keiker, the master mechanic to whom Hill and Carr would have to explain on the morrow, was in the east sleeper—just going to bed.

Before the train had stopped at the station there was a loud report outside and a bullet smashed through the window immediately over the master mechanic's bed, ripped through the curtains, crashed out through another window and sped on its way.

Hill and Carr were not called to go out the following afternoon. They were called to go in and see the master mechanic.

They went. The Old Man had all the papers in the case before him. Hill recognized his wife of the previous night to the train-master. The master mechanic asked: "What was the trouble out at Salda?"

Hill—The yard crew. Master Mechanic—There was some excitement when 8 came through. Hill—Yes. That was Rough Neck Ryan shooting at Killen.

Master Mechanic—What made him want to kill Killen? Hill—Same thing that made all the trouble, Mr. Keiker—coffin vanish.

MYSTERY IN HABITS OF CAT Usually Clean and Magnificent Creature at Times Fairly Revels in Dirt and Disorder.

The letter in the Sun about the "Furred Devil of the Coals" interests me and other cat fanciers, including most poets. I am not prepared to admit that the cat is a "devil," though I never saw an angelic cat.

The cat is an aristocrat, loves to be immaculate and magnificent; loafs; is or was (they tell me cats have given up mousing and you have to depend on a trap) a hunter; certainly is an armorer, a musician and a fighter.

Why do the cleanest cats joyfully expose themselves to dirt? China. Any figures for the population of China must necessarily be more or less unreliable, inasmuch as the census man is not much in evidence in the land of the Celestials.

Live and Learn. One morning at the breakfast table Mr. Francis heard one of the children finding fault with something he was told to eat. "Well, upon my word," said the father, "you children are getting too dainty for anything! So you think, Arthur, you should have jam and butter on the same piece of bread, do you? Well, when I was your age I was very glad to get dry bread to eat!"

Aural Demonstration. "Did you water the ferns in the drawing room, Nora?" "Yes, mum. Don't ye hear the water dripping on the carpet?"

Robert H. Norris, No. 1332 Henderson...

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INTERSMITHS CHILL TONIC FOR MALARIA and as a TONIC

business, sees constantly in the background the Philippine islands, with amateurs molding the scheme of things. But the Philippine problem is "another story," to quote Kipling.

Beginning as a purely commercial enterprise, with no other object than to make money for British traders, often more aggressive than scrupulous, the government of India by the British has as its chief concern the making of men. That's a big job anywhere, but it is particularly large when the territory is a continent, as is India, and not a single country, and the inhabitants are one-fifth of the entire human race.

The problem is not lessened by the ignorance, poverty and superstition of the alien and diverse peoples who constitute the inhabitants. The good fruits of British rule are many, but they cannot be seen from the car window nor their importance gauged by the tourist flitting from hotel to curio shop.

Not Governed by Bayonets. British rule in India is not military rule. Bayonets may establish, but they cannot maintain government. British rule in India is government by the civil power. Less than 75,000 white soldiers are stationed in this empire of more than 300,000,000 people.

The United States have a larger standing army for less than one-third that number of inhabitants—three times the soldiery for the American republic as compared with the Indian empire. True, military rule was un-



Hindus Bathing in the Ganges.

duly exalted at the time of the controversy between Lord Curzon, the viceroy, and Lord Kitchener, the commander-in-chief, when the latter asked of England—and was given—a "free hand" in administration. The "free hand" when inquired into, is usually found to mean a complete abandonment of all checks and safeguards which long experience has devised.

Perhaps the monumental work of the British in India in dealing with agriculture has been its development of irrigation. Irrigation enterprises, built or fostered by the state, have lessened famine areas, decreased the death rate, and added to the tillable territory and reduced human suffering to a large degree.

200,000,000 Dependent on Agriculture. India is not governed by bayonets, neither is it an empire of camps and cities. The city is of secondary importance in this land. We hear more of Calcutta and Bombay and Madras and the new-old capital of Delhi, but the real Indian is a villager. In all India there are only 27 cities with a population exceeding 100,000, and only five whose inhabitants exceed a quarter of a million. There are more than 200,000,000 people in India directly dependent—not merely indirectly—upon agriculture.

The Indian farmer—the ryot at the plow—is the dominant figure in any picture of Indian life which has true perspective. The land problem is at the very heart of things. The final test of British rule is how it has helped the dweller on the land.

Taxation Equitably Adjusted. Judged by this test, the measure of success is not small. The land tax has been changed into an approximation of fairness and reasonable justice. That it has been so well performed,

in the face of difficulty, is creditable in the extreme. Good Government Established.

It is impossible, within the limits of this article, even to sketch all the achievements or the failures of British rule in India.

Close akin to the problem of the taxation of land is the question of rural credits. The British found the Indian peasant in the hands of the usurious money-lender. The grip of this creature, who has all countries for his own, has not been entirely shaken off.

The establishment of co-operative credit societies has done much for the rural laborer. The objection that Indians lack the necessary spirit of co-operation has been shown to be without foundation.

In seven years 3,456 societies have been established, with a membership of 226,958 persons and with a working capital of \$3,420,000, of which the state contributed only \$230,000, the rest being furnished by the people themselves.

The Famine Evil Minimized. India has always been subject, in part, to famines, which is the eastern word for partial or total crop failure. These famines are caused by what an old writer quaintly called "the intemperateness of the weather."

British rule has not been able to cure this "intemperateness"—although it has been frequently blamed for its existence—but it has devised a plan which mitigates to a considerable extent the evils arising from it.

Under this plan not only are taxes remitted, but financial aid is extended in the famine districts. "Nothing redounds more to the credit of the government of India," said Lovatt Fraser, for years the editor of the greatest newspaper in the East, the "Times of India," "than the success with which they have gradually evolved a system of dealing with the conditions caused by scarcity, a system admirable in conception, al-

though it is not every where from nor is compulsory. The fees, however, are so small as to be no bar and schools are in reach of a majority of the entire population. Colleges, technical schools and universities are doing better work than under the old methods.

The new generation of educated Indians will be more efficient, more thoroughly prepared for serious labor, and no less keen of intellect and clever of speech than the older generation. It was one of the older generation, who had learned only words at law school, who in pleading a case in a Calcutta court said of the opposing attorney: "The misty arguments of my learned friend will not hold water. At least they will not hold good water. He cannot be allowed to raise a castle in the air by beating upon a bush."

Natives Represented in Government. Indian representation in the legislative councils and municipal governments has been gradually increased. It is now sufficiently large to permit every section of the diverse and discordant population to have a voice. This Indian voice does not, as yet, directly determine the policies of government, but it is free to discuss these policies, to question them and to bring them to the bar of public opinion.

In consequence, British rule has become more responsive to native sentiment. The British government, always an arbiter and promoter of peace between warring factions, has, by the new liberal policy of larger native representation in official place, become also in some measure an interpreter of the native opinion and an administrator of its desire. This is not self-government, of course—indeed, it is a long distance from it—but it is a step in that direction.

Because of this forward step and from the ranks of the educated but unemployed natives has come much of the turbulence among the native population which seems at times to threaten British supremacy in India. Imbued with liberalism in the universities and with no other serious work that appealed to them, given representation in all branches of government, the natives—were leaders in a movement of "India for the Indians." That British rule is seriously threatened by this unrest, widespread though it may be, is doubtful. That British rule will change, is changing, to meet the awakening spirit of democracy in the empire of India, is certain.

Some Surface Evils. The evils of British rule are on the surface: exploitation, absentee government, the hill station where officialdom retires from contact with the people, a press law which Surendranath Banerjee, "the uncrowned king of Bengal," says is possible only because of the good character of the administrators; too much whisky and soda and too little helpful, personal intercourse with the natives; a certain impertinence which apparently looks down on all things non-British; it is chasing flyspecks to discuss these and other smaller evils. The American looks with disapproval, but he remembers his own treatment of the negro in the South and the false impressions given of that treatment in Uncle Tom's Cabin and other works of fiction, and he forbears criticism.

With all its defects and its evils, of maladministration, of greed and jingoism, the work of the British in India—to quote a sentence from Lord Curzon, abate of modern viceoys, "is righteous and will endure." The unrest, annoying, even agonizing at times, is but the "growing pains" which presage a freer, greater India in tomorrow's world.

She Heard of Them. Father—Your teacher tells me you were very bad again today in your spelling lesson, Ethel. Ethel—Well, I don't like to study spelling, papa. "But you must learn to spell, dear." "I don't have to, papa, if I can be a stenographer and typewriter when I grow up."

W. F. Kellis, Editor and Proprietor.

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The privet hedge, fronting the school campus, is growing nicely.

The weeds in the court house yard will soon be high enough for the town purp to hide in when chased by a can attached to his caudal extremity.

With a good season in the ground, the forage weeds half-knee high, the grass springing from every nook and crannies, calves and lambs frisking over hill and dale, is a scene in Concholand today that maketh glad the hearts of all the inhabitants roundabout.

Torreon has fallen and Huerta's troops are either dead or on the run, for Villa took but few prisoners. Later on, it is likely that the City of Mexico will meet the same fate. About the time Villa is perambulating the halls of Montezuma, the papers will announce a fresh revolution.

Now, that we have a good, convenient dumping ground, let us get busy and clean up the town. It is not only the law of the land that we should do this, but it is the law

of nature, and should we fail, we may escape the law of the land, but old Mother Nature will lay us across her knee and give us what is coming to us in the way of disease and death.

We read of the "Jeffersonian Democrat," the "Socialist" Democrats, the "Prohibition" democrats, the "Constructive" democrats, and many other kinds of democrats, but this outfit is run by democrats without any prefixes or handles to their names. We are content to jog along under the religion of Jesus Christ, and the politics that such men as "Hickory" Jackson, Richard Coke and Jim Hogg believed and practiced. We may get lonesome for a while, but we'll "Let them alone, "They'll all come home "With their," etc, after the coyotes have fattened on their carcasses.

If people would respect the rights of others, and be considerate of property rights, the signs, "posted," "no fishing," "keep out," would never be seen in the pastures along the river. There are some people, who, on entering a pasture, will wreck the fence and then shoot everything in sight, from a mocking bird to a thousand-dollar stallion. It does not look good to a land owner to find one of his animals crippled or dead from a stray bullet fired by some careless boob. Neither is it pleasant to be forced to hide out himself in order to avoid being shot. The owner does not care so much about fishing, but when he finds the peccan which he has planted and tended cut down for a fishing pole, his dander gets up right now, and he is not to be blamed for posting up signs.

Editor's Back Up

There is a small but pretentious paper published once a week far out beyond San Angelo, whose name it is not worth while to mention, that has its diminutive back up against Home and State. It stands by the Antis of the State in their political maneuvers, if we are to judge by its own utterances, and because we classed it with the whiskey papers it spits fire like an impoverished coyote in an advanced stage of rabies. We beg its pardon. If it is a Pro sheet we are glad it; but from the way it talks its Pro proclivities are weak and diminished.—Home and State.

The party who wrote the above was once a preacher, who, many years ago, ran the "grub" line in a little town far out beyond San Angelo. The "small paper, whose name it is not worth while to mention," published (free) the coming of this party. He came, he ate, he preached, and when he went away some of the coin which this "diminutive" paper had earned, lined his capacious pockets.

He was a preacher then, and we had respect for his calling; but since that time he has turned politician, and is dragging the banner of the Great Master in his wake through the filthy mire of politics. He is making a stump of God's altar to accommodate the heels of political prostitutes. He is turning the houses dedicated to God's service into money changers' dens, where the screaming rabble may howl and bet their dollars on the speed of their favorite candidate. The preacher's calling, which was once held so sacred in the eyes of all men, has not been spared to further the success of the schemes of this designing politician in order to grasp the powers of the state and throttle the liberties of the people, that he may dictate what they shall do and what they shall not do.

Surely old St. Peter has slept at his post and the devil has burglarized the wardrobes of heaven and brought away the livery to be used as a mask in the present campaign. "Home and State," indeed! If "Home" was eliminated from that pretentious title, and "Church" substituted, you would have its true mission. When the devil shall throttle truth with his hands, crush justice with his feet, and liberty shall fail, then church and state will come into its own.

"Spits fire like an impoverished coyote, in an advanced stage of rabies." Gee, what a metaphor! This "small but pretentious paper published far out beyond San Angelo," has met a figurative polecat, but we apologize to the polecat for being forced to use his name in this connection.

TRUSTEE'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS ) COUNTY OF STERLING )

Whereas, on to wit, the first day of March, A. D. 1913, W. B. Phipps and wife, Jennie May Phipps, of Throckmorton county, Texas, by their certain Deed of Trust of that date, duly executed and delivered, and recorded in Book 3, Pages 276-7-8, Deed of Trust Records of Sterling county, Texas, conveyed to R. L. Scott, Trustee, of Collingsworth county, Texas, the following described tract or parcel of land situated in Sterling county, Texas, to wit: All of the West 1/4 of the North 1/4 of Survey No. 35, in Block "W," Certificate No. 2-1563, T. & P. Ry. Co.—Patent No. 196, Volume 83, being 240 acres off of the West end of said tract of land.

And, Whereas, said Deed of Trust was so executed and delivered for the purpose of securing the prompt

and estate of the said W. B. Phipps and Jennie May Phipps, in and to the above described property. Witness my hand, at Sterling City, this 6th day of April, A. D. 1914. A. R. Pool, Substitute Trustee

On to Sterling City?

The report from Austin that the Pecos and North Texas has taken out an issue of bonds for further construction work indicates an early extension of the Lamesa road on to Sterling City. It must be either that or building east from Slaton toward Ft. Worth, and it is not at all likely that the Santa Fe is ready to take up that project yet.—Slatonite.

For Abstract work, see or phone A. R. Pool, Abstracter, (successor to J. S. Cole) at Court House, or office of Ayres & Pool.

NOTICE

We positively will not trim any hats after May the 1st. Our Millinery season closes May 1.

J. W. Hargrave

payment of one certain promissory note of even date therewith, made by the said W. B. Phipps and Jennie May Phipps, payable to the order of J. C. Phipps, at the City National Bank, in Wellington, Texas, in the principal sum of Seventeen Hundred, Seventy-six and 15-100 (\$1776.15) Dollars, with interest thereon from date until paid at the rate of 10% per annum, and providing that if placed in the hands of an attorney for collection, or if sued upon, that an additional amount of 10% of the principal and interest due thereon should be added thereto as attorney's fees.

And, Whereas, said Deed of Trust provided that if default should be made in the payment of said note, and the interest thereon accrued, at the maturity thereof, according to the terms of same, the said R. L. Scott, Trustee, at the request of the said J. C. Phipps, made at any time after the maturity of said note, should sell the above described property, at Public Outcry, at the Court House Door of Sterling county, to the highest bidder for cash, after making due advertisement of such sale, as provided by said deed of trust.

And, Whereas, said note is long past due, and remains wholly unpaid, the payment of which was duly demanded of the said W. B. Phipps and Jennie May Phipps, by the said J. C. Phipps, the owner and holder of same, and the said R. L. Scott, Trustee, though requested by the said J. C. Phipps, as holder of said note, to execute said trust and make said sale, has failed and refused to make said sale and execute said trust.

And, Whereas, the said J. C. Phipps, as provided in said Deed of Trust, has by his appointment, duly made, in writing, named and appointed the undersigned as Substituted Trustee, to make said sale and execute said trust, and requested that said sale be so made as in said deed of trust provided.

Now, THEREFORE, I, A. R. Pool, of Sterling county, Texas, as such Substituted Trustee, and by virtue of the authority vested in me by the terms of said Deed of Trust, at the request of the said J. C. Phipps, the holder of said note, amounting, principal and interest to the sum of \$1971.52, will offer for sale, and sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder, for cash, at the Court House Door of Sterling county, in Sterling City, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock, A. M., and 4 o'clock P. M., on the 5th day of May, 1914—same being the First Tuesday in said month, all of the right, title, interest

NOTICE OF SALE

Whereas, by virtue of an Order of Sale and Execution, issued out of the District Court of Sterling county, Texas, on a judgment rendered in said court on the Third day of March, A. D. 1914, in favor of Job Thigpen and Otto Fuchs, as Plaintiffs, and against O. H. Graham, as Defendant, being cause No. 211 on the civil docket of said court, I did, on the 28th day of March, A. D. 1914, in obedience to said Order of Sale, levy upon the following described tract or parcel of land, situated in Sterling county, Texas, to wit: All of Survey No. 202, in Block No. 2, Houston & Texas Central Ry. Co. survey, containing 665 acres of land, originally sold by the Commissioner of The General Land Office of the State of Texas, to M. H. Davis, at \$1.50 per acre, and being about 5 miles North East from the town of Sterling City.

And on the 5th day of May, 1914, being the first Tuesday in said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M., and 4 o'clock P. M., on said date, at the Court House Door of Sterling county, in Sterling City, Texas, I will offer for sale and sell, at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, all the right, title and interest which the said O. H. Graham had in and to said above described property, on the 3rd day of January, A. D. 1910, or at any time thereafter.

Witness my hand at Sterling City, Texas, this 28th day of March, A. D. 1914.

DR. DAVIS, Sheriff, Sterling County, Texas

Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas ) County of Sterling ) By virtue of a certain order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Sterling County, on the 3rd day of March, 1914, by D. C. Durham, Clerk of said Court, against Hugh Bardin and wife, A. H. Bardin, and O. C. Lane for the sum of Eleven Hundred, Twenty-six and 38-100 (\$1126.38) Dollars and against O. C. Lane for the additional sum of \$1454 and costs of suit, in cause No. 213 in said Court, styled The First State Bank of Sterling City versus Hugh Bardin et al. and placed in my hands for service, I, Dee Davis, as Sheriff of Sterling County, Texas, did, on the 28th day of March, 1914, levy on certain Real Estate, situated in Sterling County, described as follows, to wit: First Tract: Section eight, Bik T, certificate No. 2-1540, issued to the Texas & Pacific Railway Com-

pany. Second Tract: Section number seven, block T, certificate No. 2-1540, issued to the Texas & Pacific Railway Company, both of said sections of land being situated in Sterling County, Texas, and levied upon as the property of said Hugh Bardin, A. H. Bardin and O. C. Lane.

And notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, the 5th day of May, 1914, at the Court House door of Sterling county, in the City of Sterling, Texas, between the hours of ten A. M. and four P. M. I will sell said above lands at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Hugh Bardin, A. H. Bardin and O. C. Lane by virtue of said levy and order of sale.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Sterling City News-Record, a newspaper published in Sterling County.

Witness my hand, this 28th day of March, 1914. DEE DAVIS, Sheriff Sterling County, Texas

We have one \$10 sterilizer, and a \$45 sterilizer will be here in a few days. All towels sterilized before using.—Sanitary Barber Shop.

THE CALL OF THE FARM

No Machine Made Governor Wanted.

Candidates and Platforms Should Be Carefully Selected And Compared With Farmers' Union Views.

Fort Worth.—The official cancellation of the Ft. Worth Convention on April 14th clears the gubernatorial atmosphere and the governor's race now rests between the candidates of the July primary. We want to call the attention of the farmers to the importance of selecting the one best acquainted and most in sympathy with the farmers and to carefully scrutinize the platforms of candidates.

We opposed both pro and anti conventions with such ability as we possessed. We can conceive of no greater calamity to Texas than to elect a machine-made governor at this time and any man who will cover under the lash of the bull whip of the bosses and who will kneel and lick the boots of the mighty politicians has not in him the stuff that governors should be made of. Any kind of a bird can seek shelter in a convention hall, but it takes an eagle to soar in the storm-tossed heavens in defiance of the "powers that be." This state needs a governor who will face men fearlessly and meet issues bravely and to elect a man who does not possess these qualifications would be a blunder little less than a crime.

Study Men and Measures.

The Farmers' Union, as an organization, is not in partisan politics, but the Union is officially committed to the Radford policies of government by the endorsement of the Farmers' Union State Convention and the candidate whose views most nearly approximate those of the Union and who offers the most convincing proof of writing them into our organic law is entitled to the support of farmers and all citizens who consider the material welfare of Texas of paramount importance in this campaign. All farmers should supply themselves with a copy of the Farmers' Union platform and that of the candidates and study and compare them for the purpose of determining which one of the candidates is most favorable to the interests of the farmer. We will send copy of the Farmers' Union platform to any address and we presume copies of the platform of the candidates can be secured on application to them.

In studying the candidates and platforms we want to issue a word of counsel and warning to the farmers of Texas, to the end that reason may not be debauched by prejudice, understanding supplanted by distrust and the welfare of the farmer suborned by political schemers. Let us subject both candidates and platforms to a strict business test for on no other basis can we hope to unite our forces.

Put "Romans on Guard."

While no occupation, if legitimate, should disqualify any man for the office of governor, yet the experience and surroundings of a candidate determine their efficiency for gubernatorial responsibilities. We do not believe a man who nurses at the breasts of special interests is as well qualified to deal with agricultural problems as one whose daily life feels the heart throbs of the farmers, for it takes heart as well as brain to interpret the needs and supply the wants of the Texas farmers at this time.

The Farmers' Union wants no "ignor legislation during the next administration and all legislation of whatever character should be subordinated to the needs of the farmers, and those who join, in this opinion should vote for a candidate for governor who is a part of the agricultural fibre of state and familiar with the business transactions of the farmer. To properly manage a business administration requires a man equipped by experience and ability to cope with the problems of agriculture and commerce backed by a legislature composed in the main of farmers and business men. Too long have we permitted our destinies to be shaped largely by men whose personal ambition overshadowed the public welfare and during the incoming administration let us put nobody but "Romans on guard."

The farmer has never taken much initiative in governmental affairs. Candidates have been groomed and issues framed up as a rule by city men and the farmer had no alternative in many instances but to choose between two or more evils. The politicians have been ordering the farmer to cry aloud for the sins of the cities and we have cried. The politicians have told us how to vote to save the country and we voted and after the election was over the legislatures have told us to stand aside until special interests were served or claudised, as the case might be, and we have obeyed but while we kept, were saved and waited, a line of fallen homes a hundred miles in length (if stood side by side) annually marks the state's pathway; a half million acres of products have rotted on the ground each year for want of a market and we have been paying from ten to thirty per cent interest per annum on \$220,000,000. This has been the result of a lifetime of fighting for principles. Let us unite in this campaign, fighting for men in the executive and legislative branches of government who will stand by the farmers.

Rally Around the Union.

This is not a stone age and no man's opinion should be alament. When mental petrification begins progress ends and a closed mind is an abomination to God and a menace to good government. We plead with you to lay aside sentiment, to eliminate prejudice and to break the shackles of superstition that may bind you and in this campaign to serve the interests of those who are near and dear to you. We appeal to the farmers of Texas to reason together. Consider the wife who toils by your side and whom you covenanted in holy bonds of wedlock to provide for and protect; give heed to the welfare of the innocent children that God Almighty gave you to gladden your heart as happily they play upon your knees and kiss from your cheek the smudge of toil; then think of your own flesh and blood as you battle to shelter the heads and cheer the hearts of those whom you love. We beg you to discharge the responsibilities that God in His wisdom has placed upon you in preference to the one the politician in his hunger has forced upon you. May we again plead with the farmers of Texas to rally around the Union and in the July primary cast their ballot for John, Sally and the babies? W. D. LEWIS, President. PETER RADFORD, Ex-President Farmers' Educational and Co-Operative Union of Texas.

JAP ARTIST HIS OWN MODEL

Has Carved Figure of Himself in Wood Which Appears to Be Identical With Original.

One of the most marvelous workmen in the world is Hananuma Masakichi of Tokio, Japan, who has carved a figure in wood, so like himself, that when the two are placed together, side by side, it is said to be also impossible to tell which lives and which does not.

By several connoisseurs in art this wooden figure is pronounced the most perfect and human image of man ever made. Masakichi has faithfully reproduced every scar, vein and wrinkle to be seen on his own body. The figure is composed of two thousand pieces of wood, dovetailed and jointed with such wonderful skill, that no seams can be detected.

The Japanese artist posed between two mirrors while modeling this figure, and for some time after its completion, he posed frequently beside it, to the confusion of spectators, who were often entirely at a loss as to which was the artist. The figure stands with a little mask on one hand, and an instrument for carving in the other; the lifelike eyes are apparently gazing at the mask, and the face wears a look of intense absorption.

CLEVER IDEA OF "THE DUKE"

Many There Are Who Would Be Pleased to Attend Such a "Duck" Dinner.

Felix Hoendorf, known to half a million Californians as "the duke" was at his club very late one Sunday evening. If anyone does not know "the duke," he is very easy to identify whenever he is in evidence. The duke suggested that Jimmy Stanley, a well-known citizen of San Francisco, give a duck dinner.

"But the ducks are out of season," Jimmy protested. "Well," said the duke, in accents Teutonic, "I will invite that beautiful girl I see you with and also invite me. When you have paid the check, duck."

That's the duke. For further purposes of identification it might be added it was he, being brought a platter of chicken fraisee, and discovering that it was composed entirely of the wings of the bird, said "Take that back to Mr. Phillips. I don't like that aviation man."

THE LANCE.

The lance has been ridiculed by many military experts, on the ground that it is out of date and cumbersome, but the weapon still has its advocates who point out its value in shock tactics and in cavalry charges.

In Germany, for instance, the lance remains in the hands of the Prussian cavalry as a formidable weapon. Recently attention has been called to the fact that the lance point often makes too deep a wound for the shaft to be withdrawn quickly, and that therefore the lancer runs the risk of having it wrenched from his grasp in the charge. In view of this the cavalry in Germany have been experimenting with a new kind of lance carrying a ball below the base of the lance head. It is said that the new arm is just as effective in disabling an enemy and is free from many advantages.—Harper's Weekly.

NO MIRRORS IN ELEVATORS

Reasons for Their Removal in Public Buildings and Hotels in Philadelphia.

Mirrors in Philadelphia elevators are doomed says a New York Times correspondent. The order for the removal from elevators at city hall went out recently, and will be followed by similar orders in the leading hotels and office buildings, notably the Bellevue, Stratford and the Last Title.

The mirrors are being done away with as the result of numerous complaints made. Conductors in the city hall elevators assert that nearly every girl who rides becomes so engrossed in "priming" before the glass that she forgets what floor they want and cause delay.

In the hotels and office buildings the conductors of the elevators who are instructed not to speak to the occupants, utilize the mirrors to fix with fair passengers, with the result that they pass the hours while waiting the girl. Another reason why the hotels will eliminate mirrors is that occasionally a passenger from the roof gardens becomes too boisterous and puts his fist through the glass, cutting his hand and afterward suing the hotel company.

How to Slide Down a Rope.

Sliding down a rope is not so simple as it seems. Few boys know how to do it properly. If you try to descend by letting the rope slide through your hands the friction will burn the palms so that you will have to let go after a few feet. If you try to lower your weight from one handhold to another you are sure to become tired and will be forced to drop. You cannot climb with the rope between your knees, for the swaying of your body will let the rope out of the clutch of your knees and then you are likely to fall.

The easiest and safest method you can employ is that used by freemen and sailors. Standing upright, thrust out your right leg and give it a turn round the rope. Next put your right arm in the crook of your right elbow and grasp it tightly, not in your hand, but in your arm.

In that way you can slide to safety without the slightest trouble. The rope does not touch any part of the body that is not protected by clothing and your speed can be regulated by either straightening or cramping your legs. Once learned, this method of sliding down a rope may prove in an emergency the means of saving your life or the lives of other persons.—Youth's Companion.

SUN AS THE LAMPLIGHTER

Novel System of Illumination That is to Be Employed on the Panama Canal.

The Panama canal, which is nearing completion, is to have a novel system of illumination for its lighthouses. The gas used for the flame is acetylene, but the sun is to be the lamplighter! These lamps will be lit by a lamplighter nearly a hundred million miles away! The hundred million miles away! The lamps will be fitted with vacuum cylinders exposed to the air. When the sun rises in the morning its rays will cause the cylinders to expand, and so close valves which admit gas to the burners. As the sun goes down and the air cools the expanding cylinders will contract, so opening the valves and admitting gas to the burners, where it will be lit by the small pilot-jets resembling the ordinary by-pass.

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 Known to half the town as "the doctor" late one Sunday morning a girl I see was me. When you see me, duck!  
 For further information it might be better to be in evidence. The Jimmy Scanlon of San Francisco.  
 are out of the "well" and the "Tontine" girl I see was me. When you see me, duck!  
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5	1,515,075
6	1,684,115
7	1,549,900
8	1,531,625
9	1,524,479
10	1,555,265
11	1,524,479
12	1,685,010
13	1,581,900
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**NOTICE OF SALE**  
 (Real Estate)  
 Hulda Bardin, Guardian,  
 Vs. No. 33920  
 O. C. Lane, et al.  
 Whereas, by virtue of an or-  
 der of sale issued out of the District  
 Court of Tarrant county, Texas,  
 (48th Judicial District) on a judg-  
 ment rendered in said court on the  
 6th day of November, A. D. 1912,  
 in favor of Hulda Bardin, Guardian,  
 Plaintiff, and against O. C. Lane, O.  
 H. Graham and W. D. Graham, de-  
 fendants, in cause No. 33920, on the  
 civil docket of said court, I did, on  
 the 28th day of March, A. D. 1914,  
 at 6 o'clock, P. M., in obedience to  
 said order of sale, levy upon the fol-  
 lowing described tract or parcel of  
 land and premises, situated in Ster-  
 ling county, Texas, to-wit:

An undivided one-half interest in  
 Sections Nos. 7 and 8, Block "T", T.  
 & P. Ry. Co. Survey, in said county,  
 being Certificate No. 2-1540, and  
 each of said Sections containing 640  
 acres of land.  
 And on the 5th day of May, 1914,  
 same being the first Tuesday in said  
 month, between the hours of 10  
 o'clock, A. M., and 4 o'clock, P. M.,  
 on said date, at the Court House  
 Door of Sterling county, in the town  
 of Sterling City, Texas, I will offer  
 for sale, and sell, at public auction,  
 to the highest bidder for cash, all of  
 the right, title and interest of the said  
 O. C. Lane, O. H. Graham and W. D.  
 Graham in and to the property above  
 described.  
 Witness my hand at Sterling City,  
 Texas, this 1st day of April, A. D.  
 1914. DEE DAVIS,  
 Sheriff, Sterling County, Texas

**WELCOME NEWS FOR LOCAL PEOPLE**  
 People in this town will be glad to  
 hear that the mixture of simple bue-  
 thorn bark, glycerine, etc., known as  
 Adler-Dia, can be obtained at our  
 store. This simple remedy became  
 famous by curing appendicitis and it  
 has been found that JUST A SINGLE  
 DOSE relieves sour stomach, gas on  
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 ter from the body.  
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 day from Dallas, where he had been  
 on business connected with the  
 Brown & Pearce garage. Mr. Brown  
 brought back a new Chevrolet road-  
 ster, which has created much inter-  
 est and favorable comment among  
 the automobile enthusiasts.

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 reduced prices - R. B. Cummins.

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Have you been to the new bar-  
 ber shop? If not, why?  
 A Mr. Crosby, of Lubbock, was a  
 business visitor here this week.

Born—On the 8th, to Mr. and  
 Mrs. A. C. Carper, a girl.

Born—On the 3rd, inst. to Mr.  
 and Mrs. W. S. Nelson, a girl.

Try the Sanitary Barber Shop.  
 All towels are sterilized.

Joe Graham, of Del Rio, was a  
 business visitor here last Saturday.

Mrs. J. R. Lane is visiting her son,  
 Joe Graham, and family at Del Rio.

A. L. Pearce, last week, bought a  
 new five-passenger Reo touring car.

A PAYING PROPOSITION—To  
 Let: 30 acres of alfalfa.—J. N. Kellis

Lowe & Durham are installing the  
 furniture and floor coverings for the  
 hotel.

I make a specialty of riding, driv-  
 ing and working gloves—R. B. Cum-  
 mins.

Prof. Lowe Slaton and W. F.  
 Roberts were visitors to Big Springs  
 last Friday.

Mertzon's baseball team will again  
 cross bats with the Sterling team  
 here tomorrow.

Roy Thomas guarantees satisfac-  
 tion or whiskers returned—at the  
 Sanitary Barber Shop.

LADIES' HATS—Did you see  
 them at Roberts? Well, you should  
 see them before buying.

Newt Copeland, of Lubbock, visit-  
 ed his brothers, C. J. and J. L. Cope-  
 land, here this week.

Died—At Westbrook, Tuesday  
 April 7, Annie Louise, the two-year-  
 old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tobe  
 Ramsey.

T. G. Brennan was among our  
 welcomed visitors Tuesday. He  
 reports his range and stock in prime  
 condition.

N. B. Fisk, after a stay of several  
 days at his ranch, shaping things  
 up for the spring, returned to Brown-  
 wood Tuesday.

One thousand, five hundred votes  
 will be given next Wednesday for  
 every dollar's worth bought of Rob-  
 erts for cash.

On account of a broken down lo-  
 comotive, the east bound passenger  
 did not leave here until about 11  
 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Clarence Ousley and Sam Sparks  
 have withdrawn from the govern-  
 or's race, but R. B. Cummins is still  
 in the race for County Treasurer.

If you want bargains attend Rob-  
 erts' Wednesdays sales. Do not  
 miss next Wednesday, for he is go-  
 ing to make it the banner day of  
 the season.

You get a good shave at the San-  
 itary Barber Shop. Sterilized tow-  
 els used on you, a boy to brush your  
 clothes and shine your shoes at all  
 times of the day.

Wm. Bryson returned from Plain-  
 view last Monday, where he had  
 been on business. Mr. Bryson says  
 that fine rains fell in the Plainview  
 country while he was there.

W. V. Churchill, this week, bought  
 of L. P. Grimes the Central Hotel  
 property. Mr. Churchill will oper-  
 ate the hotel in the future, either  
 personally or through someone else.

John A. Cope, an old time Ster-  
 lingite, but now of Fort Stockton, is  
 here on business. Mr. Cope says  
 he harvested 109 tons of alfalfa off  
 his Fort Stockton irrigated farm last  
 season.

The cold snap which prevailed  
 Tuesday and Wednesday, did much  
 damage to early garden truck and  
 fruit. Yesterday morning the ther-  
 mometer stood at 20, or 12 degrees  
 below freezing point.

Have you ever attended Roberts'  
 Wednesdays special sales? If you  
 haven't, it will be worth your while  
 to come; and after you attend them  
 once, you will be on hand every  
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Just received, big line Ladies'  
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 will be more than glad to show you the wonderful Chevrolet, and demonstrate to your  
 entire satisfaction that it will do all—and more—than cars costing much more.—Or had  
 you rather buy from some one living out of the county, and who never assists you in the  
 many propositions that home folks all have to help with? We are here among you,  
 and ready to help you learn your car and solve all troubles you may have in learning  
 to handle a new car. We have the Chevrolet, with Electric Starter and Lights.  
**BROWN & PEARCE**

C. N. Crawford, this week, sold a  
 consignment of Easter lambs on the  
 Fort Worth market at 8c. These  
 lambs were about 5 months old, and  
 averaged 58 pounds, which made  
 them bring an average of \$4.64 per  
 head.

You won't have any sores on your  
 face if you use sterilized towels.  
 The very best of face creams, tonics  
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 as, Proprietor.

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**HARRIMAN SAFETY MEDAL AWARDED SOUTHERN PACIFIC COMPANY**



At a recent meeting of the American Museum of Safety, held at  
 the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria, New York, the Southern Pacific Company  
 was awarded the first of the E. H. Harriman Memorial Medals for  
 record progress in safety, and accident prevention.

The medal, the gift to the American Museum of Safety by Mrs.  
 E. H. Harriman, in memory of the railroad magnate, will be awarded  
 annually by the Museum to the railroad holding the record for pro-  
 gress in safety and accident prevention. It is executed in gold, and  
 on one side is a raised figure of E. H. Harriman with the inscription,  
 "E. H. Harriman Memorial Medal, awarded by the American Museum  
 of Safety to the Southern Pacific Company," and on the other side is  
 a figure of a trainman, with lanterns, walking along a railroad track,  
 with inscription, "For the utmost progress in Safety and Accident  
 Prevention."

The Southern Pacific system operates nearly 12,000 miles of rail-  
 road, and during a period of five years just ended has not caused a  
 single fatality to its passengers through collisions, derailments or  
 other train accidents. During that time the Southern Pacific carried  
 over 200,000,000 passengers, more than twice the entire population  
 of the United States, an average distance of forty-five miles. This is  
 equivalent to carrying 9,000,000,000 passengers one mile, or one pas-  
 senger 9,000,000,000 miles, or 350,000 times the distance around the  
 earth.

This company has expended to date over \$12,000,000 for automatic  
 electric block safety signals, air brakes and automatic couplers and  
 other devices for safety and accident prevention. This company has  
 also endeavored to impress upon its employees in every way possible  
 the importance of accident prevention and that "eternal vigilance"  
 must be the watchword of all, from the highest officer to the humblest  
 employee.

There were forty leading railroad systems in the United States  
 competing for the medal.

**MONEY MAY BE UNCLEAN.**  
 Girl cashiers should have an anti-  
 septic with which to wash the hands  
 after much handling of money and  
 always before eating. A soap may  
 be obtained, but it is well to have  
 some sort of wash, a few drops of  
 which may be frequently sprinkled  
 upon the hands during the day, if  
 one is to handle a handkerchief or  
 put the hands on the face or hair.

**AN ENGLISH BELLMAN.**  
 Some occupations attain import-  
 ance simply by surviving. The bell-  
 man was not held in much esteem  
 when he was really useful, but now,  
 in such places as he still pursues his  
 "calling," he is quite a personage.  
 In one fashionable west country  
 health resort the bellman goes  
 around in a smart uniform, mount-  
 ed on a pony, and when he has cried  
 his news—generally offers of reward  
 for lost property—delivers a dis-  
 course to his hearers concerning  
 himself as the only mounted bellman  
 in England, and then produces pic-  
 ture postcards with his photograph,  
 which seem to have a ready sale.—  
 London Chronicle.

**Effectually Aroused.**  
 A large, perspiring individual en-  
 tered a subway train at one of the up-  
 town stations yesterday afternoon  
 squeezed himself into a seat between  
 two women and promptly went to  
 sleep. He nodded, he swayed from  
 side to side with every motion of the  
 car, and at last, to the secret delight  
 of every passenger opposite, began  
 slowly but surely to lay his head on  
 the shoulder of one of the young wom-  
 en beside him. At this juncture the  
 unexpected happened. Without ever  
 raising her eyes from her paper the  
 young woman reached into her bag  
 with one free hand, drew forth a  
 small silver vinaigrette of smelling  
 salts and carefully placed it under the  
 sleeper's nose. There was a rum-  
 bling sound, followed by a series of  
 sneezes, and the man sat bolt upright,  
 blinking in bewildered fashion, while  
 the car echoed with laughter. The  
 only person who took no part in the  
 merriment was the young woman, a  
 calmly replaced her vinaigrette and  
 went on reading. The man remained  
 wide awake for the rest of the trip.—  
 New York Times.

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# INCIDENTS IN THE LIFE OF CHRIST



Twelve-year Old Jesus on Way to Jerusalem

One day an angel came to Mary and said: "Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found favor with God. Behold thou shalt conceive in thy womb and bring forth a son and shalt call his name Jesus. He shall be great and shall be called the Son of the Highest, and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David. He shall reign over the house of Jacob forever." Mary and Joseph went away into a city of Judea, into the city called Bethlehem, because they belonged to the house of David. When the child was born there were many shepherds watching their flocks. When they heard of Christ's nativity many were afraid, and the angel said unto them: "Fear not, for behold I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord." When the shepherds came to the manger they found the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes. There were angels and a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying: "Glory be to God in the highest, and on earth peace and good will toward men." The shepherds fell down before Christ and worshiped him. They then made known abroad what they had heard. Then came wise men from the East, guided by a star which stood over the young child. They opened their treasures and presented him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. Forty days after Jesus' birth his parents carried him to the temple at Jerusalem. There was one Simeon, who had long been expecting the coming of a Savior to the Jews. He took the child up in his arms and exclaimed: "Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace according to thy words: For mine eyes have seen thy salvation."



The Flight into Egypt

Joseph and Mary remained but a short time with their child in Egypt. The death of Herod later recalled them to Palestine, and they returned to their old place of abode, the little town of Nazareth in Galilee. They did this because the angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said: "Take the young child and his mother and flee into Egypt and be thou there until I bring thee word, for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him." He grew strong in both body and spirit. Tradition says he wore a garment without seams, made of a kind of woven hair of a purplish brown color. The Gospels tell us nothing of his occupation as a young man. Tradition relates, and it appears true, that he spent the whole thirty years before he began his ministry in retirement. John was the first to announce the great work Jesus intended doing. He abandoned the solitude of the desert for the banks of the Jordan. He gathered the people together in hosts. He announced that they were to be delivered from sin and bondage, and to prepare for the Messiah's coming. It was at Bethabara that John the Baptist saw Jesus for the first time, and looking upon him said: "Behold the lamb of God." It was here that the children of Israel had crossed the Jordan dry shod to enter the promised land. Jesus had come to be baptized, but John refused until he heard Jesus say: "Suffer it to be so now, for thus it becomes us to fulfill all righteousness." After Jesus had spoken to the people he was led into the wilderness by the spirit. Here he was tempted for 40 days by the devil. He was an hungry and the devil said unto him: "If thou be the Son of God command that this stone be made bread." Jesus answered him, saying: "It is written that man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." He next brought him to Jerusalem and sat him on a pinnacle of the temple and said unto him: "If thou be the Son of God cast thyself down from hence." Jesus answered: "It is said thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God." Then the devil tempted him a third time, offering Christ the kingdom of this world if he would worship him. The answer came: "Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God and him only shalt thou serve."

The temptation is the expression of the period that intervened between Christ's private life and his public ministry. One day Jesus was walking by the sea and he saw two men—Simon, called Peter, and Andrew, his brother, casting a net in the sea. And he said unto them: "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." They straightway left their nets and followed him. He walked on farther, when he came upon James, the son of Zebedee, and John, his brother, who were also in the ship mending their nets. He straightway called them and they left their father in the ship and followed him. Nathaniel was more doubtful about Christ's spiritual power until one day Jesus saith unto him: "Verily, verily I say unto you, hereafter ye shall see heaven open and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man." And Christ went from place to place until he had found his 12 apostles. He was unwilling to rest then. He began to give food to the hungry, sight to the blind, health to the sick and comfort to aching hearts. Among the most illustrious of his miracles was when he constrained his disciples to go on board the boat and row across the lake to Capernaum. Then he sent away the great crowd of people who were still eager that he should be their king. When they were all gone and he was left alone he went up into the mountain to pray. While he was praying in the night a great storm came upon the lake. When the storm was at its height Jesus went to his disciples walking on the water as though the sea were dry land. Then the men in the boat saw a strange figure coming near them and Jesus called out to them: "Be of good cheer; it is I; be not afraid." After Jesus had performed many miracles the people asked him to do these things to satisfy their curiosity. When he refused they became angry and left him. Finally, Jesus turned to his 12 apostles and asked: "Will ye also go away and leave me?" But Simon Peter answered him: "Lord, to whom shall we go? For thou only hast the words of everlasting life." One day, on entering the temple, he saw that the merchants and brokers were making everything subservient to their avarice. His anger rose at his seeing these unholy doings in the temple. He did not hesitate as to what should be done. He threatened the traders with a scourge of small cords, drove them out and said to them: "Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise." After he left Jerusalem he went directly to Amon, near Salem, which was the field of John the Baptist's labors. Here he spent most of his time from the Passover to the late harvest. He wished to instruct his disciples more thoroughly in his teaching. He did not go back to Jerusalem until the feast

of the Passover. It was then he healed a man who had been lame for 38 years. It was then that he told them that the bread which he was about to give them was to be the self-sacrifice of the bodily life for the salvation of mankind. Soon after Jesus left Bethabara with his disciples and came to Bethany. There he found a man named Lazarus that had been dead for four days. Martha and Mary could not be comforted concerning the death of their brother. Jesus, weeping, said: "Take ye away the stone," and cried in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come forth," and he that was dead came forth. Then he went to the Mount of Olives, where his disciples followed him. When he came down he rode into Jerusalem, followed by a crowd of many men, women and children bearing palms. As he rode into the city all the throng was curious and asked, "Who is this?" And the multitude answered: "This is Jesus, the prophet of Nazareth." He then went to the temple and again teaching many things and performing miracles. It was at this time that Jesus and his disciples partook of the last supper. While they were eating he took the bread and blessed it. Then he broke it and passed it to each one of his disciples. At the same time he said: "This is my body which is broken for you; this do in remembrance of me." Afterwards he took the cup of wine and passed it to each of his disciples with the words: "This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you."

When the feast was going on he washed the feet of all his disciples. This means that all who follow him should serve each other. While he was talking he grew sad and said: "Verily, verily I say to you that one of you that is eating with me shall betray me and give me up to those that will kill me." Then Jesus dipped a piece of bread and gave it to Judas, saying: "Do quickly what you are going to do." After he had waited a few minutes he added: "Before morning comes every one will leave me alone; yet I will not be alone, for my Father will be with me." He wanted to be alone for he knew that in a little time Judas would be there with a band of men who would seize him. Suddenly the disciples heard the noise of a crowd. When they saw the swords flashing they knew that Judas had betrayed Christ. He was seized he made a speech to his disciples and the crowd. He was then led away to Calaphas, the high priest, and when morning came they delivered him to Pontius Pilate and he was tried before this Roman governor, who was an enemy of Jesus, and was therefore glad of an opportunity to vex him. After Judas saw that Christ was condemned he felt remorse. In honor of the coming Passover one criminal was to be pardoned and he wished that it should be Christ. It was now too late. With two condemned criminals Jesus himself carried the instrument of death to the place of execution. Stripped of nearly all his clothing, he was lifted up to the cross and nailed by his hands and feet. After many hours Joseph and his friends took down the body, wrapped it in fine linen, and laid it in the tomb. The body lay there from one evening of Friday, when he died on the cross, to the dawn of Sunday, which is Easter. When the women came to the sepulchre they saw that the seal was broken and the stone was rolled away. It was empty and an angel appeared and said: "Fear ye not, for I know he seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here, for he is risen as he said." And afterward Jesus appeared to his disciples and they gave him food and he ate. They talked with him and he rejoiced, saying: "Peace be unto you. Receive ye the Holy Ghost." This was the fifth time Jesus had showed himself to his friends. Finally, leading his disciples out as far as Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. While he blessed them he was parted from them and was carried up into heaven.

which took place when the Bulgarian army was driving the Turks out of Thrace. The battle of Kirk Kellisen had just been fought. "Odd name that—Kirk Kellisen," said the then governor of Indiana. "It means 'Forty Churches,' or, rather, 'mosques.' Now, isn't it queer that the word 'kirk,' which, as we all know, stands for 'church' in the Scotch vernacular, and which appears in German and other languages of northern Europe, should have precisely the same meaning in Turkish. It

makes us wonder whether all tongues may not have had a common source, and if that is so it would probably be found that that source was in the East." There was a murmured applause from every one except an unobtrusive little professor, who had been hovering near the group. "Pardon me, governor," he piped up, "but your conclusions, while interesting, might be called—or, a little misleading. It is precisely true that Kirk Kellisen is the Turkish for 'Forty Churches,' but it is the word 'kellisen' that means a place of worship, while 'kirk' means 'forty.'" And the professor was right.



The Childhood of Christ



possible without any attempt at individual ornamentation. The front yard is usually bare of grass and there is a broken board walk at the side. Generally such houses are boxed in with some kind of a wooden fence that shows signs of weather wear and the dilapidated breakage caused by children at play. A neat design like this costs very little more, but what a difference in appearance. The shape of the roof and the corresponding roof over the front porch with the proper placing of windows make the difference in the outside appearance. The colors used in painting of course have a good deal to do with the final finish. A good combination of light shade of paint for the body with darker trimmings carefully chosen to properly match show to great advantage in the finish of one of these houses. It costs a little more when building a porch roof to give it so much protection.

ago five boys had to stay after school because they hadn't learned it, and today two got something with the rod because they still didn't know it. I suppose you didn't think of that when you wrote the poem. And you are one of the shorter poets, too. Schiller is until the first grade. Our teacher says that your poem is very pretty; but there are so many pretty poems, and we have to learn them all. Please don't write any more poems!"—Youth's Companion.

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Dance Has Had Various Names. Speculations on the correct spelling and pronunciation of tango as a dance recall the fact that there were similar doubts about the waltz, which, when introduced just a century ago, was scolded in terms very similar to those now applied to the tango. Waltz has had many different spellings. Its first form was as "valotta" in old Provence. Henry II. of France was fond of a dance which was really a development of valotta and an early form of the waltz. It was then called "volta." Castil Blaze remarks that the waltz, which we took again from the Germans in 1795, had been a French dance for 400 years. When it went to Germany it acquired its usual name of "waltz," but it is still quite common to find it on programs under the French form of valse.

A man who swims in the lake on New Year's day will often kick to the janitor because there is not enough heat in the fl.

## IDEAS for HOME BUILDERS

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Sometimes it is necessary to build a house to fit a narrow lot. As a general thing lots are deep enough to hold almost any kind of a house. Few lots in American cities are less than one hundred feet front to back, but because of expensive street improvements they are often squeezed sideways until houses get to be very close neighbors. It is unfortunate that it is so but we have to take conditions as we find them and make the best of them. Sometimes these narrow lots are in very desirable neighborhoods, convenient to transportation and convenient for other reasons; and by building a house to fit the lot such property may be made very comfortable and attractive.

This design shows a house only 18 feet wide, but the length is 38 feet 6 inches, exclusive of the front porch. Such a shape necessarily requires that one room shall follow another, sometimes with a very long dark narrow hall, but this plan avoids that difficulty by putting a room at the back end of the hall and by connecting the kitchen with the dining room by way of the pantry.

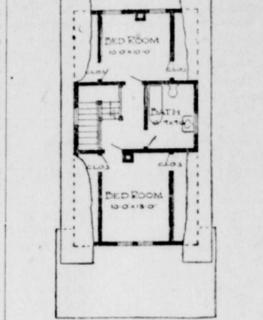
Then the upper part of the house is laid out with a bedroom in each end and a bathroom opposite the upper hallway in the center. This arrangement requires that the bathroom shall be lighted by a dormer window, the design of which is very neat and attractive. It adds a great deal to the appearance of the house because it is ornamental as well as useful. Such attachments make up the difference between a common cheap looking house and a satisfactory, useful, ornamental habitation that is at once very pleasing and interesting.

So-called cottage houses with one gable end towards the street are as common as house flies in the cheaper sections of some cities. You may count them by the hundreds and they are all practically alike; cheap tenement looking affairs, each house trying to look as near like its neighbor as

houses that cost very little more to rent for double that amount simply because they were built attractively and contained modern means of heating and with plumbing connections so the different members of the family could keep themselves clean.

A great deal depends on the plan as well as the convenience and the outside appearance. It is an art that seems difficult to acquire, the building of small artistic, comfortable houses, but it is an art well worth studying.

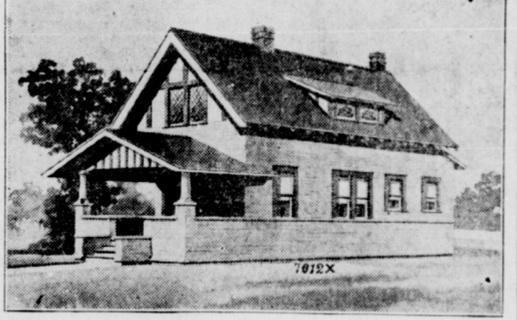
Such houses should be a great deal more common than they are. It would prevent families who like to live nicely from crowding into flat buildings.



Second Floor Plan.

where they have neither light nor sufficient air. This is another excuse for narrow lots. A 50-foot lot would hold two such houses and make comfortable living quarters for two families instead of one.

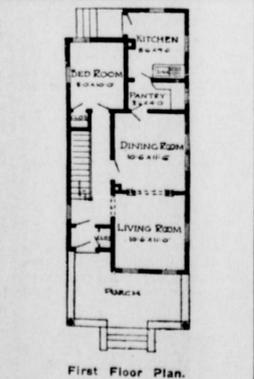
Overproduction. Emanuel Geibel, a German lyric poet of the nineteenth century, wrote delightful verses. For some of his youthful readers, however, his poems had no charm. One boy voiced his own and his mates' grievance in a letter to the poet that Das Buch fur Alle reprints: "To Herr Emanuel Geibel, Lubek, February 11, 1852. Honored Herr Geibel, We finished learning your poem, 'The Hope of Spring,' today. A week



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tion, but you have got to do something out of the ordinary or when the house is done you are not satisfied with it. Every house should be built with modern improvements whether the house is large or small. More attention is being paid to bathrooms with hot and cold water connection than ever before. The time will soon come when a house won't rent or sell unless it has what are generally termed modern improvements. I have known small houses to rent for eight or ten dollars a month and I have known

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All Mothers Have Had or Will Have the Experience of Which These Three Were Talking. The mothers were discussing what do you suppose mothers would discuss? Their children, of course. And the topic under discussion was "When is your manchild no longer your baby boy?"

Bitter Sweet. It happened at one of those parties where one goes to dine and dance. The cheerful young man about town blew in and was adopted into a perfectly good bohemian party. Attached somehow to the perfectly good hemian party was a young woman with that weary, haughty air so common in favor in the younger days.

Proper Place. She—Have you heard about the pretty actress who wore a bird perched on her cheeks?

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The young man who never knew how to go home was silent. So was young woman. "You should say, 'A penny for your thoughts,'" suggested the delayer. The young woman hid a yawn. "I should say a mouseng," she cried. "A mouseng? What's a mouseng?" "It's a Japanese coin," she replied. Takes 224 of them to equal a penny when he went.

## He Was Right.

"What is it that bees make, mmmie?" "Honey—Sore spots, ma'am."

## Contrary Men

Among contrary men is the chap who would refuse to take whisky if doctor prescribed it.

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# GOOD JOKES



## THE RULING PASSION.

The digger had been caught in a network of falling timbers and impaled 30 feet below the surface. He contrived by pounding on the boards to attract attention. The rescuers worked vigorously. An iron pipe was pushed down to him. He was fed through it. A larger pipe was inserted and presently a vigorous jarring of the metal indicated that the man desired to talk. "Hullo, below there," called a rescuer. He put his ear to the opening. Suddenly he made a silencing gesture with his hand. All was quiet. Suddenly the man started. "What does he say?" clamored a hundred voices. "The man with his ear at the pipe coked around. 'He has just asked me a question.' 'Repeat it,' they yelled. 'What's the score?'"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## His Views.

"They say that women have no sense of humor." "Well, it's a good thing." "How so?" "If a woman laughed heartily it would endanger every button on those light gowns."—Kansas City Journal.

## How She Knew.

Mr. Sapphead (during the honeymoon)—When did my little ducky first discover that she loved me? Bride (sweetly)—When I found myself getting mad every time any one called you a fool.—New York Weekly.

## At the Seance.

Medium—I see the spirit of a man who passed away through some bronchial trouble. He says he is your husband. Is that so, man? "Widow (weeping): "It must be; he was killed by an explosion in the Bronx tunnel."

## His Helpmate.

"He says his success is due entirely to his wife." "But his wife divorced him!" "Yes, but he had to hustle so hard to earn the alimony the court granted her that he became the business success you now see."

## WOULDN'T STAND IT



## Never to speak a harsh word.

She—I see you've sized up my temper already. "That's Different." "What makes Jinx look so grouchy?" "His wife is doing the striking and he is furnishing the hunger."

## Sensation Explained.

Wayside Walter—Gee, my tongue's this morning feels as if it was covered with fur for a foot long. Tired Tommie—No wonder; I just noticed by the label that the bottle you swiped from that house last night contained hair restorer.—Youngtown Telegram.

## Not Girl-Like.

"This is your newly-arrived little girl sister, Tommie," said the father. "I don't believe it is a girl, papa." "Why not?" "Because she don't say anything."

## As Through a Sieve.

Mrs. Swamley—It is said by those who know him that Huerta is a refined person. Mr. Swamley—He should be; he's been crumbling long enough.

## Accounted For.

"Miss Maude boasts that she has so many callers that she's tired out receiving them." "Didn't you know she is a telephone operator?"

## Political and Domestic Economy.

"Do you study political economy in your school?" "Yes, indeed. Six of us girls study it together, and every night we meet in Sis Allen's room and make fudge."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## Brief Interview.

Chauffeur—I ran across your old friend, Joe Williams in Boston last week. Philadelphian—Indeed! How is he? Chauffeur—Dead; he never regained consciousness.

## Figuratively Speaking.

"What's the matter with that man?" "The one who is talking profanely about the income tax?" "Yes." "Oh, he's doing a little temperamental arithmetic."

## Forbearing Walter.

"That waiter didn't thank you when you gave him a quarter." "I didn't want him to. I was grateful to him for not holding the coin up so that every one in the room could see it was only a quarter."

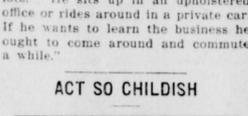
## Giving His Own a Rest.

"That young man you were just dancing with is one of our most successful business men." "Yes." "Yes. He seems to be able to call the turn on the market, and he always lands on his feet." "Then he is taking a vacation just now." "What gives you that idea?" "Because all during the dance he kept landing on my feet."

## Call for Experience.

"So you don't think that railway official knows much about the practical side of railroading?" "I should say not," replied Mr. Crosslots. "He sits up in an upholstered office or rides around in a private car. If he wants to learn the business he ought to come around and commute a while."

## ACT SO CHILDISH



## Not a Siren.

"I'm going to buy an auto, but all agents are warned I will have no other kind. Save one that's been demoralized."

## Paradoxical Prospect.

"You seem to think that the railroads are going to make all the money there is." "Well," replied the man with the complex mind, "I like to see the railroads prosper. But if they take all the profits only railroad owners can afford to travel, and they can have passes."

## Both Have Faults.

Cooke—I heard a lecturer last evening who had the right idea. Frye—What did he say? "He said there's no use trying to reform a woman with a club." "Yes, and I don't think much of sewing societies, either."—Youngtown Telegram.

## Heard at a Reception.

"So the Scraggingtons are at outs again." "Yes; their latest quarrel was about madam's pet dog and the expense of feeding it." "Great Scott! They have bones of contention enough to feed a dozen dogs."

## Some Use for Him.

Mrs. Beck Hall—Good afternoon Miss Radcliffe. Going for a walk? I hope I may accompany you. Miss Radcliffe—Yes, Dr. Sergeant says we must always walk with some object and I suppose you will answer the purpose.

## COULDN'T USE HIM



## Hewitt—Gruet has an axe to grind.

Jewett—Well, he won't find me any grindstone.

## Primitive Joy.

An Eskimo will never pause To rail at snow or sleet, He needn't clean the street, because There isn't any street.

## A Triumph of Peace.

"Peace hath her victories." "How now?" "Instead of wanting a cannon for the public square, one town has asked for a discarded mouscow from the Panama canal."—Louisville Courier Journal.

## Ladies' Weapon All Right.

Bill—An Indian who ran amuck in California the other day attacked a policeman with a hatpin. Jill—What did the policeman say? "That the Indian was no lady."

## Why, Indeed.

Amiable Uncle (doing some conjuring to amuse the children)—See, here I have a billiard ball—I am going to turn it into something else. First Bored Youngster (to second ditto)—Why should he? It's a ver nice ball.—Punch.

## His Condition.

Counsel—Now, tell me and get them of the jury what was the defendant's condition when in your bail. Witness—Well, sir, I should say "fresh but servable."—London Punch

## MADE HIS COMPANIONS GASP

One Man of Bibulous Trio Was Determined to Prove He Had Not Lost His Appetite.

Three men entered the dining room of the hotel, and with alacrity sank weakly into the chairs at a table. Whenever there was a noise behind them, they flinched and trembled. They were nervous. One of them tried to drum on the table with a knife, and a spasmodic motion of his muscles sent it sailing through the air. To the most casual observer, it must have been evident that they had been drinking too much the night before. Also, it was evident that they were uncertain about whether they ventured no remarks to the waiter standing behind them. Finally the third man, a fellow of great build, gave an order which could eat any breakfast. That is, two of them were uncertain. They were so uncertain that they gazed at the menu in despair, and aroused the undying admiration of the other two. "Waiter," he said, in stentorian tones, "bring me three hard-boiled eggs and a bottle of beer."—Popular Magazine.

## KIDNEYS CLOG UP FROM EATING TOO MUCH MEAT

Take Tablespoonful of Salts if Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers—Meat Forms Uric Acid.

We are a nation of meat eaters and our blood is filled with uric acid, says a well-known authority, who warns us to be constantly on guard against kidney trouble. The kidneys do their utmost to free the blood of this irritating fluid, but become weak from the overwork; they get sluggish; the eliminative tissues clog and thus the waste is retained in the blood to poison the entire system. When your kidneys ache and feel like lumps of lead, and you have stinging pains in the back or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment, or the bladder is irritable, obliging you to seek relief during the night; when you have severe headaches, nervous and dizzy spells, sleeplessness, acid stomach or rheumatism in bad weather, get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast each morning and in a few days your kidneys will act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys, to neutralize the acids in urine so it is no longer a source of irritation, thus ending urinary and bladder disorders. Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink, and nobody can make a mistake by taking a little occasionally to keep the kidneys clean and active.—Adv.

## No Particular Hurry.

Brown and his wife were at a moving-picture show. In the play on the screen the villain had just thrown the hero from the high cliff. "Oh," exclaimed Mrs. Brown, "I hope the officers hurry up and catch the wretch!" "Have patience, dear," said her husband. "The operator is turning the reel as fast as he dares."—Judge.

## HUSBAND SPENT EVERYTHING

In an Effort to Bring Wife's Troubles to End, and Finally Succeeds.

Myra, Ky.—Mrs. Sarah Branham, of this town, gives out the following statement for publication: "I am 37 years of age, and suffered untold agony with womanly troubles for 11 years. For 7 years, I was all run down, and was told that I could not live. My husband spent everything he had, but I got only temporary relief. A merchant recommended Cardui, the woman's tonic, to my husband, and he got me 5 bottles at one time. I began taking it, and before the first bottle was gone, I began to feel better. I took all of the 5 bottles, and I am today as sound and well as any woman, and fat and hearty." Such testimony as the above, which is given unhesitatingly, speaks for itself. Can't you see, lady reader, that you are doing yourself, your family, your friends, an injustice by not, at least, trying Cardui, if you suffer from any of the many ailments so common to women? Cardui is composed of pure, harmless, vegetable ingredients, which act in a gentle, natural way on the weakened woman's organs, helping build them back to permanent strength and health. Cardui has helped thousands of other women. Why not you? Ask your druggist. He knows about Cardui.

## Fashion Note.

The black silk slip-cover that comes with a girl umbrella is rarely utilized for its original purpose. But the deft fingers of a handy housewife may easily transform it, at slight trouble and expense, into a fashionable skirt. No refitting or reshaping necessary. Simply turn the affair upside down, cut off the metal end, and attach a belt. See that the slash comes at the side.—Life.

## Better Still.

Jennie—I can cook on an emergency. Lizzie—Hump! I can cook on an electric range. Putnam Fadeless Dyes are the brightest and fastest. Adv.

## Neighborly, Anyway.

"Is he an apostle of humanity?" "Is he? He has 12 children and won't let one of them take music lessons."

## His Faith.

"Do you believe in love at first sight?" "Oh, yes, but personally I have more faith in the second look."

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## Helping Father.

"Is your boy much of a help to you in managing the farm?" "He's a wonderful help," replied Farmer Cornstossel. "If it wasn't for his restraining care, some of the conversation I address to the live stock would be terribly ungrammatical."

## GRANDMA USED SAGE TEA TO DARKEN HER GRAY HAIR

She Made Up a Mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur to Bring Back Color, Gloss, Thickness.

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The Antiseptic powder to shake into your shoes For Corns, Bunions, Ingrowing Nails, Swollen and Sore Feet, Blisters and Callous spots. Sold everywhere. 25¢. Don't accept any substitutes. Sample FREE. Address, A. S. CUMMIS, Le Roy, N. Y. Adv.

## A Bargain.

"I saw this coat in a window yesterday and I got stuck on it immediately." "You certainly did if you paid more than \$4."

## Marriage at First Ask.

"Was Miss Oldmaid's wedding a case of love at first sight?" "No, first ask."

## —Take CAPUDINE—

FOR HEADACHES and GRIPPE. It's Liquid—Prompt and Pleasant—Adv. Our funny language—A man feels put out when he discovers that he has been taken in.

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## Astonishing.

A happily married woman who had enjoyed 32 years of conjugal felicity, and who was the grandmother of three beautiful children, had a jovial old colored woman for a cook. One afternoon, which proved to be the mistress' birthday, a beautiful box of flowers was left for her, when the cook happened to be present. Mandy eyed the beautiful roses longingly, then said, "Yo' husband send yo' all those pretty flowers yo' gits, Missy?" "Certainly, my husband, Mandy," the lady replied proudly. "Alleluiah!" exclaimed the cook. "He suttinly am holdin' out well."—Lippincott's Magazine.

## Too Precious.

Office Boy—Is this waste paper, sir? Poetical Editor—No, I haven't written on it yet.

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## Worse.

"Why do they hate each other so?" "They are rivals." "Oh, both trying to marry the same girl, eh? That sort of thing certainly does arouse man's primal passions."

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Charles H. Thomas has been elected president of the Chicago National League Baseball club. C. P. Taft, manager...



Charles P. Taft, Principal Owner of the Cubs.

Jorjy stockholder of the club, was present at the election and declared that he would retain his stock at least...

IDOLS ARE SOON FORGOTTEN

Jack Chesbro, Once Famous Spit Ball Artist With New York Yankees, Is Now a Farmer.

Idols of the diamond are often quickly forgotten after they drop out of the national game, and for the benefit of the present-day generation a brief sketch of Jack Chesbro's career would not be amiss at this time.

Jack Chesbro, who added greatly in making the spit ball famous while with the New York American league team, is farming today on a big homestead in New England.

Jack is done for so far as the use of his big league arm is concerned. He is not beset with any financial worries, because he saved a great deal...



Jack Chesbro.

of what he made in the days of success, says a writer in the Washington Herald.

Chesbro was born in North Adams, Mass., forty-two years ago. He began with Springfield in 1895. Pitched for the Roanoke club of the Virginia league in 1896, Richmond in 1897, and to the middle of 1898, when he was purchased by Pittsburgh. He remained there until 1903 when he jumped to the New York Americans.

The following year he not only established that wonderful mark of 42 victories in 53 games, but came through with a string of consecutive games won, hanging up an American league record of 14 in a row.

Chesbro has dropped out of baseball as far as the major leagues are concerned, but still pitches on a semi-pro club near his home town in Massachusetts, for he loves the game too well to drop it entirely.

TELLS OF KING KELLY

TED SULLIVAN TALKS OF STUNTS OF GREAT PLAYER.

Connie Mack Was Victim of the Wonderful Trick in Play That Tied Up Ball Game—Second Baseman Caught Handcuffed.

Ted Sullivan, the discoverer of Coniskey, former manager of the old St. Louis Browns and Washington, author of baseball books and of the only lecture on diamond subjects in existence, has a wide admiration for two players—King Kelly of the past and Tyrus Cobb of the present.

Ted never tires telling of the mighty king of "Slide, Kelly, Slide" fame. "Many of the plays used to this day were thought out by the great Kelly and tested in action by him," says Sullivan. "They too, he was as close to perfection in batting and base running as a human body can reach, in my humble opinion. Let me illustrate what I mean.

"Years ago when I was managing Washington—it was in 1888—we were playing Boston on our own grounds. My battery was composed of two men who are still very much in the public eye. Hank O'Day was pitching and Connie Mack catching.

"I was sitting on the bench as usual. Kelly went up to bat. Although I was naturally some distance from the plate, I could tell from Kelly's determined look he was bound to reach first. He did this by drawing a base on balls. To begin with, he fouled off five and managed to work Hank for a pass. Then was when the fun started—although it wasn't actually fun for me then. But I could always appreciate good playing in an opponent. I think I was sportsman enough for that.

"It flashed in my mind that Kelly would steal on the second ball pitched. So I signaled O'Day to that effect. The turn was called all right, for King went sailing on the second. But in spite of the fact that Hank pitched a waste ball and Connie made an excellent throw, King slid and came up smiling and safe.

"Dummy Hoy, a great character, too, was playing center for me. The batter slapped a fly at Dummy, who caught it with ease. During this time King stood nonchalantly on second, watching Hoy. He appeared so listless my second-sacker turned his back on him and waited for the throw in, as they always do.

"In some manner Kelly seemed to divine that Hoy was going to lob the ball in, for just as Dummy reached back his arm to throw King made a head-on dash for third. He slid safely. Everybody was so surprised not a move was made to catch him. The second baseman was caught handcuffed on the play.

"You will note King had reached the far corner without a whit of assistance from any of his mates. But that's not all. I was scared of him, I can tell you that candidly now. We were only a run ahead and we wanted the victory.

"King was laughing in his usual way as he loomed on the third sack, but his mind was alert. He darted for the plate when the batter dumped a dinky grounder toward short. He was caught cold between the bases. I'll never forget to my last day what Kelly pulled at that critical point.

"The shortstop whipped the ball home and Mack stood on the plate waiting for King to come in. Kelly walked smilingly and leisurely to the plate and just before he reached it said: 'Well, you sure got me that time, Connie.'

"At that moment he sat squat down and stretched his legs out in front of him, just touching the edge of the plate with his heels. Connie, who was straddling the rubber, stood over him with the ball in his hands, thunder-struck. It was the nearest trick imaginable—one of the greatest I have ever witnessed in my long years in the game.

"This tied the score. Kelly came up again in the thirteenth. He looked over at me and yelled, 'No walk for me this time, Ted.' He didn't, either. The great player pickled the ball and brought in the runner on second with the winning run. He was some wonder.

"Ty Cobb comes closest to Kelly of any of the present day players. It's mighty hard to compare the two men, because they played different positions. But I really don't think Kel would even take off his hat to Tyrus, except as an equal perhaps."

George Simmons, who made a fair showing with Detroit, has been added to the Baltimore Fed club. He will play an infield position.

Three Cleveland players—Hyder Barr, Buddy Ryan and Jack Knight—were all born on the same day of the year, namely, October 6.

"One good thing about having a Walter Johnson," says one manager, "is that you don't need to worry about eight other players."

Scott, Benz and Weaver of the Sox can boast of one thing that no other players have yet done. They signed their 1914 contracts near Mount S'nal.

John McGraw and Jimmy Callahan have figured it out that there will be a stretch of about -on days next November in which they won't be on a train or steamship.

Detroit has tripled its force of scouts and ordered them to look at nothing except outfielders. Ty Cobb has announced his retirement at the close of the season of 1917.

Manager of Reading Team. Harry (Izzy) Hoffman, who last season played with Hartford in the Eastern association, has been named manager of the Reading team of the Tri-State league. He expects assistance in building up his team from Connie Mack, with whom he is on terms of close friendship.

Pflester With Independents. Jack Pfeister, one of the old-time Cubs, will handle an independent team in Cincinnati this season. One of his players will be Jimmy Barton, veteran minor league infielder.

Red Sox Have an Indian. The Boston Red Sox will have a real Indian, William Garlow, a pitcher whose release was purchased from the Hamilton club of the Canadian league. He won fame at Carlisle in football and baseball and then entered professional ball, playing in the Southern Michigan league and the Canadian league.

Glenn Warner Signs Again. Glenn Warner has signed a contract to coach the Redskins for two more years in all branches of sport. The Napoleon of Carlisle football is one of the foremost factors in the training of our primitive brothers.

BASEBALL NOTES

Mathewson and Wagner will never go to a minor league," reads an exchange. Well, who said they would?

Tom McCarthy, with the old St. Louis Browns, has signed with Manager Stallings and will act as scout for the Braves.

Perhaps one of the greatest boons of the southern training trip is that it sends the club owners into retirement for seven months.

One of the things the Federal league has done is to keep managers in organized baseball from winning so many winter pennants.

George Simmons, who made a fair showing with Detroit, has been added to the Baltimore Fed club. He will play an infield position.

Three Cleveland players—Hyder Barr, Buddy Ryan and Jack Knight—were all born on the same day of the year, namely, October 6.

"One good thing about having a Walter Johnson," says one manager, "is that you don't need to worry about eight other players."

Scott, Benz and Weaver of the Sox can boast of one thing that no other players have yet done. They signed their 1914 contracts near Mount S'nal.

John McGraw and Jimmy Callahan have figured it out that there will be a stretch of about -on days next November in which they won't be on a train or steamship.

Detroit has tripled its force of scouts and ordered them to look at nothing except outfielders. Ty Cobb has announced his retirement at the close of the season of 1917.

Manager of Reading Team. Harry (Izzy) Hoffman, who last season played with Hartford in the Eastern association, has been named manager of the Reading team of the Tri-State league. He expects assistance in building up his team from Connie Mack, with whom he is on terms of close friendship.

Pflester With Independents. Jack Pfeister, one of the old-time Cubs, will handle an independent team in Cincinnati this season. One of his players will be Jimmy Barton, veteran minor league infielder.

Red Sox Have an Indian. The Boston Red Sox will have a real Indian, William Garlow, a pitcher whose release was purchased from the Hamilton club of the Canadian league. He won fame at Carlisle in football and baseball and then entered professional ball, playing in the Southern Michigan league and the Canadian league.

Glenn Warner Signs Again. Glenn Warner has signed a contract to coach the Redskins for two more years in all branches of sport. The Napoleon of Carlisle football is one of the foremost factors in the training of our primitive brothers.



TO RECAPITULATE HOLY FIRE - HOLY SEPULCHRE CHURCH

EASTER in foreign lands is the gala day of the year and is celebrated with a zest rarely found in this country. Where the chief features of the occasion are choral services and Dame Fashion's parade of Easter finery. Easter festivities abroad are elaborate in the extreme and marked by many unique customs and ceremonies.



EASTER SUNDAY AMONG THE ARMENIANS

On the day preceding this luncheon the food is blessed by the priest. As the castle is usually the center of the community, the peasants farmers bring their food there. When the priest blesses the castle luncheon he also bestows a blessing upon the food of the servants and peasants in the lower hall. During the entire week following Easter Sunday visitors are invited to partake of the cold dishes on the Easter luncheon table, which is replenished as necessity arises.

Landowners receive gifts from the peasants on their estates at Easter. One may bring his best calf, another his fattest pig, and a woman her largest chicken or duck. In turn the peasants receive presents of money and other valuables.

The children play with eggs on Easter Sunday in much the same manner they do on the White House lawn in Washington. In Austria-Hungary the same ceremony is observed, with the exception of the great luncheon. Always on Good Friday the emperor and his court attend divine service for an hour.

Easter in France is primarily a floral celebration. The flower market along the Seine is replete with the perfume of lilies and other fragrant, though less stately blooms. Every one wears a flower at Easter, and poor indeed is the household that does not display a floral symbol of "the resurrection and the life."

It is not one of the great celebrations of France, but is decidedly a children's day. Of course, it is a legal holiday and the banks, government buildings and schools are closed. There are the usual religious services to be found in a Catholic country. The Parisian child makes merry with Easter eggs, which are generally painted in vivid colors. For the children of the wealthier class are eggs of chocolate and sugar, either solid candy or hollowed out so as to conceal pretty favors in the form of small toys.

In Italy, Easter is quite the most important religious festival of the year and a time of public and private rejoicing. In Rome on Easter Sunday and for several days afterward religious processions are to be seen on the streets. Dignitaries of the church, clad in gorgeous raiment, march from church to church, blessing the baptismal fonts and rekindling the altar fires that were extinguished on Good Friday in memory of the death of Christ.

A unique ceremony marks the observance of Holy week in Florence, Italy. It is probable this ceremony will be discontinued before many years because of the fatalities and serious accidents which have occurred in recent years.

At noon on Saturday of Holy week a ceremony called the "scoppio del carro" (the explosion of the car) takes place in the Piazza del Duomo, just in front of the Battistero. It is in fulfillment of a provision in the will of the de Pazzi family, an ancient Florentine household, certain members of which brought flints from the holy land with which to kindle the fires on the altars at Easter.

The "car," which resembles an altar and is nearly as large as a small frame house, is drawn to the square before the cathedral by a team of white oxen, where it is filled with fireworks and decorated with flowers. A wire is stretched from the car to the altar in the cathedral. At the conclusion of the service a wooden device known as a "dove," traveling over the wire on a wheel and bearing a small fuse, is lighted from the sacred fire on the altar. It rushes down the wire to the car filled with combustibles. The explosion that follows is a wonderful pyrotechnic display. The peasants in and near Florence attach considerable importance to the explosion of the "car," and especially to the uninterrupted descent of the "dove" down the wire; if everything transpires without a hitch, they consider it an omen of plentiful crops the rest of the year.

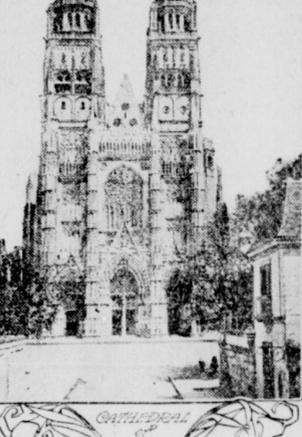
Abounding in quaint customs and strange ceremonies Mexico upholds her reputation in her Easter celebration. The day is a day of vengeance—not upon the living, but upon the numberless images of Judas Iscariot, the betrayer of Christ. All over the country countless images of Judas are made, generally in peasant clothes, with ropes fastened around their necks. Amid the hoots and jeers of the crowd the images are swung aloft and hung. As they swing to and fro stones and knives are hurled at them; out in the provinces the figures are riddled with bullets until they are literally cut to ribbons. Sometimes an image is stuffed with cartridges, confections and trinkets, strung aloft and exploded from a fuse running to the ground. The contents are scattered in the explosion, of course, and the grown-ups as well as the children scramble for the flying gifts.

The ceremonies really begin with Thursday evening of Holy week, when the "visita de la siete casas," or the calling of the seven houses of churches, is held. The populace on this occasion visit seven or more churches—there must be seven at the lowest—and pray. All the churches are decorated, and there is considerable rivalry as to which has the most gorgeous altar. On the afternoon of Good Friday there is a service called the "la siete palabras," or the seven words, referring to the seven words of Christ on the cross. All women attending this service are dressed either in mourning or in somber colors. In the evening, attired in the same manner, they attend a service called "pasame," a service of condolence and mourning.

On Saturday morning the "gloria" service is held, after which comes the hanging of the effigies of Judas. In the afternoon the people attend the theaters or a bull fight if the weather is not too warm for the latter. On Easter day proper the celebration is almost entirely a religious one. Easter is the holiday of holidays in Russia. This is partly due to the fact that Easter is the first celebration of the spring season, and the warm weather naturally draws people to the outdoors.

On Easter eve in Russia there is a church service held which begins before midnight and continues for half an hour. In the country, even among the peasants where the customs are more strictly followed, the people wear their best and lightest clothes.

After the service comes the Easter kiss. Friends



CATHEDRAL OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE



EASTER SUNDAY AMONG THE ARMENIANS

FORMING A LINE TO VISIT THE SACRED SITE OF JERUSALEM

kiss three times, first on one cheek, then on the other, and the last time on the other cheek and so on. This represents the joy they feel on account of the Savior's resurrection. The custom is sometimes continued for several days, and the participants often kiss those whom they have just met. Following the half-hour church service there is a night mass held, the only one during the week. This is not usually ended until 5 o'clock in the morning. From the church the people go home and have what is really an early breakfast, but which is more like a feast. They eat hard-boiled eggs, "pascha" and "coolitch," which are the features of the repast.

The custom of kissing is also observed in court. Easter day the emperor receives the members of his household, his bodyguard and representatives from the officers and soldiers of the regiments stationed in and near St. Petersburg.

Easter is a joyful occasion for the children. For two or three days previous their elders get ready for them, much as is done in this country. The children roll them and play with them. It is also the custom to exchange eggs, and many people carry a few with them to present to their friends after the church service. The children play with their eggs for a week after Easter, sometimes longer. The "pascha" and "coolitch"

are also eaten during the week after Easter, and always served to visitors who may call. It is also a custom to greet friends Easter day with "Christ is risen from the dead." To that friend replies in the same way or exclaims: "Truly, he is risen!"

Another phase of the Russian celebration of Easter is to be found not in Russia, but in Palestine. Thousands upon thousands of pilgrims from Russia, but also from other parts of the world as well, assemble on the banks of the Jordan on Easter morning to bathe in the waters of the rising sun and the tops of the mountains. A shout of "Hosanna" bursts forth with the accord from every throat, followed by songs and talmic robes are donned and the people rush to the stream. The Russian government has long hospices for the pilgrims all along the line of march.

Easter in Jerusalem is a great occasion. At the Church of the Holy Sepulchre the ceremony of the descent of the holy fire is celebrated on Saturday certain hour and the worshippers stand in prayer that the holy fire be sent down from heaven. The high priests go down into the sacred sepulchre, suddenly lights appear in the tomb, and the priests hand down candles, which are returned to them lighted. These candles are then carried to the various churches in the city to light their tar candles, and in fact, there have been instances wherein they have been carried thousands of miles back to Russia by pilgrims. On Palm Sunday a great service is held in the church, at the conclusion of which the worshippers stream shouting "Hosanna!" and waving their palm branches.

The most remarkable feature of the Easter celebration in Jerusalem, however, is the march of the pilgrims through the Via Dolorosa. Many thousands of persons from all over the world participate in this march, following the course taken by Christ in his journey to the cross on Calvary.

Good Friday in Spain, especially in Seville, is the day on which the various guilds and societies of the monks array themselves in fantastic garb and parade the streets as mimickers. They bear before them huge standards, crosses, images of the Virgin Mary and other symbolic devices. In other sections of the country the parade takes the form of a carnival of flowers; queues of the carnival are chosen and they are feted with the homage usually shown a real sovereign. The sums, secured by popular subscription, are expended upon the parades. The images of the saints are garbed in robes and jewels that cost thousands of dollars.

The beautiful service in St. Mark's cathedral is by far the chief feature of the Easter celebration in Venice. The worshippers come to the church in gondolas literally covered with flowers. The entire scene is a riot of color and bloom. In the afternoon every one bears a supply of flowers to the square in front of the cathedral and the broadcast to the countless flocks of pigeons that fly about the stately edifice.

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REACH OLD FEEDING GROUNDS

Deer Are Coming Back in Large Numbers to New England, After Long Absence.

A map printed for the purpose of defining the distribution of the northern white tailed deer, the representative of the race above the continental divide, shows that within recent years the animal has come almost to the outskirts of Detroit, the Toledo Blade states. It would seem that it still

occurs in that part of Ontario bordering Lake Erie, and in the northern part of the southern peninsula of Michigan, to mention only sections near by where it is known.

But over all that sweep of country which stretches from eastern New York to southern Minnesota, including northwestern Pennsylvania, the whole of Ohio, wild deer have not been seen for many years. Agriculture, the lumbermen and the fire cutters, the lumbermen have closed the region to the white tailed,

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