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#### THE WANING HARDWOOD SUPPLY.

Although the demand for hardwood lumber is greater than ever before, the annual cut today is a billion feet less than it was seven years ago. In this time the wholesale price of the different classes of hardwood lumber advanced from 25 to 65 per cent. The cut of oak, which in 1899 was more than half the total cut of hardwoods, has fallen off 36 per cent. Yellow poplar, which was formerly second in point of output, has fallen off 38 per cent, and elm has fallen off one-half.

The cut of softwoods is over four times that of hardwoods, yet it is doubtful if a shortage in the former would cause dismay in so many industries. The cooperage, turniture, and vehicle industries depend upon hardwood timber, and the railroads, telephone and telegraph companies, agricultural implement manufacturers, and builders use it extensively.

This leads to the question, Where is the future supply of hardwoods to be found? The cut in Obio and Indiana, which, seven years ago, led all other States, has fallen off one-half. Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, Tennessee, Texas, West Virginia, and Wisconsin have also declined in hardwood production. The chief centers of production now lie in the Lake States, the lower Mississippi Valley, and the Appalachian Mountains. Yet in the Lake States the presence of hardwoods is an almost certain indication of rich agricultural land, and when the hardwoods are cut the land is turned permanently to agricultural use. In Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi the

to agricultural use. In Arkansas, Louisiana, and Mississippi the production of hardwoods is clearly at its extreme height, and in Missouri and Texas it has already begun to decline.

The answer to the question, therefore, would seem to lie in the Appalachian Mountains. They contain the largest body of hardwood timber left in the United States. On them grow the greatest variety of tree species anywhere to be found. Protected from fire and reckless cutting, they produce the best kinds of timber, since their soil and climate combine to make heavy stands and rapid growth. Yet much of the Appalachian forest has been so damaged in the past that it will be years before it will again reach a high state of productiveness. Twenty billion feet of hardwoods would be a conservative estimate of the annual productive capacity of the 75,000,000 acres of forest lands in the Appalachians if they were rightly managed. Until they are we can expect a shortage in hardwood timber.

age in hardwood timber.

Circular 116, of the Forest Service, entitled "The Waning Hardwood Supply," ascusses this situation. It may be had upon application to the Forester, Forest Service, Washington, D. C.

The San Francisco Examiner recently had a good editorial on the wisdom of investing in real estate, as a safe and profitable investment. It is urged that land in this part of California in particular will not depreciate below the present prices, but on the contrary is bound to be worth more money. The easy opportunties for obtaining a lot for a home should not be overlooked. The person who purchases a lot for a home is wise and it is the beginning which may result in independence.

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# There Is No Financial Panic In Sight.

By LESLIE M. SHAW, Former Secretary of the Treasury.

JR farms produce more than \$6,500,000,000 per annum, and THE PROSPECT IS GOOD for an average crop. Our mines yield more than \$1,500,000,-000 and our forests more than \$1,000,000,000. And neither of these sources of wealth has been exhausted. The output of our factories in other than food products is approximately \$12,000,000,000, and no fires have been extinguished.

The railways earn more than \$2,000,000,000, and THEY ARE ALL IN SUCCESSFUL OPERATION. The payrolls of our factories and railways aggregate approximately \$3,500,000,000, and the scale of wages has not been reduced.

IN OTHER WORDS, THE REAL SOURCES OF THE PEOPLE'S WEALTH HAVE NOT YET BEEN AFFECTED, AND THE ABILITY OF INDUSTRIAL CONCERNS TO PAY DIVIDENDS IS NOT MEASURED BY THE MARKET PRICE OF THEIR STOCKS.

#### By HENRY C. FRICK of the United States Steel Corporation.

I FIND NOTHING IN UNDERLYING CONDITIONS TO WARRANT THE APPARENT GREAT LACK OF CONFIDENCE IN BUSINESS GENERALLY WHICH NOW SEEMS PREVALENT. IF THERE IS ANYTHING TO JUSTIFY THAT FEELING IN TRADE CONDITIONS, I DO NOT SEE IT.

I can understand the VAGUE, BUT REAL UNSETTLEMENT OF SENTIMENT created by current agitation against corporations, but this is in a measure apart from real conditions and is capable of correction. I believe myself, and always have, in the correction of ABUSES, WHETHER CORPORATE OR INDIVIDUAL, but I feel that such care should be exercised in doing this that only the wrongdoer should suffer.

Of course where corporations are still acting outside of the law UNKNOWINGLY it is to be expected that they should be set right, but I am sure they can be accomplished without harm to any one and without the least injury to credit, if the situation is PROPERLY AND INTELLIGENTLY HANDLED by the administration.

#### . . . By JOSEPH G. CANNON, Speaker of the National House of Representatives.

BOSH, ALL BOSHI THAT'S WHAT IT IS, THIS TALK OF FINANCIAL RUIN. THE COUNTRY NEVER WAS BETTER, AND I GUESS THESE WALL STREET FELLOWS ARE SQUEALING BE CAUSE THEY'VE BEEN STUNG.

With me it's simply a question of whether the bulls on the or the bears eat the bulls. There happens to be A FEW MILLION FARMERS in this country of ours, and they are not bothering about this cry of financial panic. They're busy harvesting their crops.

NO FEAR, THE FARMERS WILL BE BUYING MORE AUTOMO-BILES THIS FALL, AND INSTEAD OF DISASTER THERE WILL BE MORE REAL PROSPERITY THAN EVER BEFORE. REAL PROS-PERITY, I SAID, NOT THE WALL STREET KIND. . . .

#### By WILLIAM B. RIDGELY, Comptroller of the Currency.

The announcement made by Secretary Cortelyou of his plan for relieving the strain on the money market by the deposit of government funds is VERY WISE AND TIMELY and should go very far toward allaying apprehension and restoring business to its normal condition.

WHILE THE PRESENT SITUATION IS ONE REQUIRING CARE AND COOL HEADED, DELIBERATE ACTION, ESPECIALLY ON THE PART OF THE BANKS, THERE IS NO REASON AT ALL WHY THE DEMAND FOR LIQUIDATION SHOULD SO SPREAD AS TO PRODUCE ANYTHING LIKE A PANIC OR COMMERCIAL CRISIS.

The banking condition is UNUSUALLY COUND, more so on account of the readjustment of stock market values,

## Uncle Sam Not Going Into Business.

By Attorney General BONAPARTE.

HE GOVERNMENT HAS NO IDEA OF GOING INTO THE BUSINESS OF RUNNING THE TRUSTS. THE RECEIVER-APPLICATION FOR THE SO CALLED TOBACCO TRUST IS MERELY A MEANS OF RELIEF, JUST AS ANY RECEIVER MIGHT BE CALLED UPON TO ADMINISTER A CORPORATION IN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COURT FOR THE PURPOSE OF ATTAINING CERTAIN TEMPORARY ENDS. IT IS TRUE THAT IT IS A NEW DEPARTURE IN EQUITY PRACTICE, BUT. THERE ARE ANALOGIES WHICH SUSTAIN IT.

The theory is that if a court of equity finds a corporation or cluster of corporations engaged in an UNLAWFUL business it will utilize all of its ACCUSTOMED AGENCIES to put an end to this unlawful business, because of the illegality of the business.

The court is to be asked to appoint an officer who will TEMPORA-RILY conduct the affairs of the corporation or corporations involved, ING SO ESTS OF adjustment.

The prayer for this relief, it sustained by the courts, will, it is hoped, prove a PRACTICAL AND FFFFCTIVE method of insur-

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#### HOMESICA

There are lots of little chickens
In the garden, and the pigs
Are nosing now and grunting
In amongst the barley rigs;
And the hawthorn bush is blooming,
And its fragrant blooms are red,
Across three thousand miles of sea

And oh, but I am lonesome
For the days that used to be,
And, oh, if I could reach them—
Reach the blossoms on the tree, I'd weave an old-time crown of them To deck my flowing curls, nd play at queen the way I used When we were little girls.

I hear the little chickens
Chirp as glad as they can be;
And, oh, the longin', longin' of
The homesick heart o' me!
It's the time for plantin' taters And the hawthorn blooms are red That used to shake their petals down To nestle on my head.

I wonder if they're missin' me
At all, at all, at all!

I'm lonesome for a sight o' them;
I'm lonesome for their call!

I'm lonesome for the singin'
Of the glad lark in the morn! Oh, me heart is achin', breakin', For the home where I was born! -Houston Post.

#### ~~~~~~ The Old Tin Can

It was the strangest set of circum stances, almost as though it had all been planned out beforehand, as, in-

cabin in which lived Simon Greer. He was half-starved and half-clothed and scarcely ever spoke to any human be-

Such a wretched little old cabin as it was! The ridge of the roof had given way and the roof itself had sunk until Mrs. McGuire, who lived across the common, said it was "that caved in till it was all swaybacked, sure." How the rain must have made its way through those broken shingles and soaked the rotting floor beneath. There had been a window once near that cranky and lop-sided front door, but the glass was gone and heavy boards were nailed over it. It was a wretched old rundown house with a wretched old rundown man occupying it.

Altogether, man and house seemed

good match. Both had outlived their



usefulness and their respectability. Both were tattered and bent out of all original symmetry, and both had shut the light out of their wretched lives.

More than that, when the old man crept out into the light of day, as he did sometimes, when forced to do so, he was so blinded that he blinked and winked until his eyes seemed to sink away out of sight; and the house, with boarded-up window, bore a strange resemblance to an old man whose one eye had been knocked out. So the old house and the old man were really

Simon Greer and his old house were on one side of the town, where the ragged suburb and the ragged commons were neither town nor country, but had all the worst features of both. Away on the other side of the town another little house, where Mrs Lee and her children lived. Now Mrs Lee was poor, too—you could easily see that—but what a different kind of poverty! Even if the wolf howls at the door I doubt whether his howl is ever so loud and harsh when it has to make its way through vines and flowers; and you never saw such array of them as clung about Mrs. ee's doorway and bloomed in the win-

Most of her vines and flowers were what did that matter? They grew there beautifully, and when you were in that plain room and could see how the sunlight streamed through the vines and lace never draped a window so delightfully as that curtain of green leaves. And yet Mrs. Lee had her anxieties. Poverty brings them in abundance, you may be sure, and though Mrs. Lee sang as she kept the machine going, she was thinking and thinking how she was to solve some of her wearisome problems.

"If I could have gone to school just one more year, mamma, I could have been advanced enough to teach," Minnie was saying, as she basted some work for her mother. Minnle was young. She had not learned her mothr's patience. patience. Two tears rolled down cheeks and fell upon her work.

"But you couldn't go, Minnie, and 1 worry. A way will be opened if you'll only wait."

"Bide a wee, and dinna fret," sung Ray, the family bookworm, as he glanced up from the geometry over which he pored from morning till

Ray had his mother's cheerful spirit :

ing these sessions of what he called "The Committee of Ways and Means." There was a sore spot in Ray's heart. He had been going to make himself a civil engineer and had studied so hard, and here he was, stopped at the begin-

ning.
So there they were—the Lees on one side of the town and old Simon Greer on the other-a whole world apart one could have said, with no possible chance to bring them together. The old man had money and would not use it; the

with explanations of pity and horror. Old Simon Greer lay still in the corner, and did not rail at them as he would have done once. In spite of the barred door and boarded window, death had gone in and claimed him. There was not been been as the barred to be the barred to an inquest and a pauper funeral in the potter's field and that was the last of the shirt with the plaited bosom.

there; an' ye couldn't pull me inside of to.

pull Mike and Dennis Inside of it, and that they are surprised, but they act they were even then having lots of fun.

"Here, doggie, doggie!" Flattered by these gentle attentions, the dog came in, wagging his tail. Within two minutes, Dennis was holding him, while Mike rushed out in search of a tin can. An old, rusty and battered can was picked up from under the edge of the house, a string was produced from Mike's pockets, and two minutes more saw the dog and the can careering wildly down the street, the former having been given a kick "to start 'im

What memories were afterward connected with that poor dog's flight through the town, who shall say? Boys shouted and threw stones at him to urge him to still greater speed; men, who did not think themselves cruel, stopped to look after him and to laugh

as he came past and snapped him with their whips, and everybody that saw him smiled and was much amused. Nearly everybody, that is, Away at

the other side of the town was a pretty young girl who called out pityingly to the wreached dog, which staggered as it tried to run:

"Come here, poor fellow! Oh, poor, poor doggie, have they treated you so

And in a little while Minnie Lee, to And in a intre wine single, to the quotient of the quotient whose tender sympathies no suffering ing "Mayried or single," had it "Concreature ever appealed in vain, had dition as to marriage." The woman conxed the vagabond to believe in her filled in the answer thus: "Awful and had him on the porch, where he

'Give him a little water, Minnie," said Mrs. Lee, coming out from her work to look at him.

"Lie still, old fellow, and I'll cut the cord on your tail," said sympathetic Ray. "There—it's all right now. Maybe this can will do to plant a flower in,

He took up the can and bent back the lid, which had been almost cut off at first and then pressed back, to close the opening. An exclamation of surand they looked around to see Ray pulling from the can a package wrapped in oiled silk.

And what do you suppose that package contained?

Money, lets of it, all in big bills! And there was also a queer-looking paper, which the boy soon made out to be the will of the old miser. What a will it was, just such a one as you would suppose a strange man like liked: Simon Greer would make! Having it wou named the various money-deposits that he had in the banks and the bonds and the case of the actor and the canal all-and setting forth the fact that he time an actor who, after an enfor had no relatives in the world, he left his entire possessions to the finder of

And that is how good fortune came from the old house on one side of the own to the flower-covered cottage on the other-in an old tin can tied to vagabond dog's tail .- Chicago Daily

Bacon-Games of chess and draughts for travelers on long journeys have introduced by the English Midland Railway Company. There is no charge made by the company and when the game is finished the conductor collects the pieces.

Egbert-Gracious! Do they fight as desperately as that over the games?-Yonkers Statesman.

#### She Goes Any Time.

Mistress-Bridget, do you go by the kitchen clock or the one in the par-

Bridget (indignantly) - Faith, an' Of without anny rego whin it suits me, wit gard fer clocks.—Judge.

An Indian scalps his enemy; a white

TOO GIBBLEFUL

"What!"

symptoms?

cine.'

buy tickets.'

"That's what I said. He's a bird,

that fellow! Say, don't you think a

person who's got a lick of sense knows when he's sick? Think he'd send for

a doctor if all he wanted was some-body to come around and grin and crack jokes? Well, I guess not. He

makes me weary.
"'Hello!' he says, hustling in, with

his mouth stretched from ear to ear.

They tell me you're trying to make out that you're sick.'

"They lied, then, I said. 'I'm not trying to make out anything. I am sick

"'Pooh! Nonsense!' he says. 'Here, let's have a look at you. What are the

"I told him what they were and he

laughed. 'A little cold,' he says. 'You'll be all right. Nothing to worry about

in the least. Just kind of take care of yourself for a day or two. Don't ex-

pose yourself to any abrupt changes of

temperature and keep out of drafts. That's all you've got to do.'

"'What about those pains in my chest, and the fever?' I asked him.

little muscular soreness—neuralgia, maybe, but that's going to pass off.

You haven't any fever. You've got the room too hot and you're a little nerv-

ous. Don't worry. You don't need a doctor and you don't need any medi

"'I suppose what I need is a vaude-

"Say, wouldn't that jar you? And I

tell you, if my wife hadn't filled me

up with hot sage tea and poulticed me all that night, and got the cough broken

up, I'd have had red geraniums bloom-

ing over me right at this minute.
"Darn your cheerful doctors! Pneu-

monia was what I had, all right, and

had it bad and don't you forget it.

Cheerfulness may be a good thing, but

want anybody to tell me I'm not.'

when I'm sick and I know I'm sick

-Chicago Daily News.

ville performance with a couple of slap-stick comedians.' I says. Well, if I did. I'd put on my hat and go out and

You don't need a

"'Poppycock!' he says, chuckling. 'A

and pretty darned sick at that.'

and did not have it. Separated, not only by the width of the world!

"What I like about Doc Ipperly is that he's so cheerful," remarked the man who were the shirt with the plaitment who were the shirt who was a shirt who w "What I like about Doc Ipperly is | was thrown open, and men went in with a face as long as a horse's and his under lip pushed out, scaring you hato fits."

"Some do." said the man who wore their game. They come in and they "Cross as the crater was, I would look at your tongue and they frown 'ave been frindly wid 'im if he would 'a' let me," said Mrs. McGuire to her neighbors; "but he was that quare evently while you still had a ghost of a show whole was afraid of 'im but with the would be a sound of the was straight of the work of the was afraid of 'im but with the work of the was afraid of 'im but with the work of the was afraid of 'im but with the work of the work of the was afraid of 'im but with the work of a' let me, said Mrs. McGuire to ner man't carl em in a lew days somet melghbors; "but he was that quare everybody was afraid of 'im but my little to recover. Then they say, 'Well, Mike and Dinnis Rafferty, an' they we'll see if this will help you,' and ain't afraid o' the Old Boy hisself. Many's the time they've hung about don't say that it won't help you and there, shoutin' at 'im an' callin' 'im names, as boys will, ye know, Mrs. Murphy, an' ye can't expect to find old thing so that your widow can say that heads on young shoulders an' ti's glad. heads on young shoulders, an' it's glad every effort was made. They don't ask I am that ye can't. An' there they are, you if your life insurance is paid up this blessed minute, playin' about the and your will made, but you feel percheepy ould house like they'd been born feetly sure that they are just aching

"When they call the next day There was no need of a long-chain to find you are still alive, they don't say they were even then having lots of the A vagrant doz, passing along the street, you might possibly pull through after could not resist the temptation to look in and see what it was all about.

In and see what it was all about. in and see what it was all about.
"There's a dog! Let's ketch 'im an' skill working for you in a manner that tile somethin' to his tail!" cried Mike.

did everlasting honor to the profession.

"When you are sitting up and you've got to the point where they can't in common decency call again they'll tell you quite frankly that you had a mighty narrow squeak of it. Then, of course, you appreciate what they've done for you and feel almost grateful, even after the bill comes in. hasn't any of that sort of buncombe about him."

"He certainly hasn't," said the floridcomplexioned man. "I had him when was down with pneumonia And I wouldn't have him doctor a sick cat for me.'

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GOOD

Short Ctories

A census-taker made his rounds in

an isolated village. He gave one of his

official papers to a woman that she

might fill in the required answers. One of the questions, instead of read-

There is a young man in Boston who

of "the old families," and his studio-

boat captain. There was once upon :

idleness of two months, was lucky

part would be assigned to some on

else. Well, the man patched his worn boots with patent thread, pinned up

his few belongings in a newspaper, and set out in the early morning on foot along the tow-path. He had only a

few coppers, hence that train was an impossibility. But after the poor fel

low had covered some six or seven miles his boots gave out, blisters rose

on his feet, fatigue overcame him, and

in despair he threw himself on the grass beneath a tree. As he lay there

in a bitter mood, a canal boat hove in sight. It drew near slowly, and an idea seized the actor. 'Captain!' he shouted, rising hurriedly. 'Captain, pull up, for

want? said the captain, as he stopped the boat. 'Captain,' said the actor, 'I

have to get to Quag to-night to play

second heavy in "The Evil That Men

I am footsore and weary, and can walk no further. If you will as-

the love of heaven!'

'Well, wot d'ye

enough to secure an engagement in

town twenty-five miles away. case was a hurry up one. The actor had to reach the distant town that night. If he failed to arrive, then his

hard up before. Wuss after."

captain gave the actor a kindly nod. 'Right y' are,' he said. 'Lead the hoss.' Thank goodness, cried the actor, 'I am saved.

#### HE FEARS RUSSIAN POLICE.

An Exile, Vasil Kotoff, Dreads That They Will Find Him. While the student riots were in prog-

ress in Warsaw, Poland, last year, a young man rode a horse at the head of one of the processions of rebellious subjects, says the Kansas City Times. He carried a Polish flag and made a speech to the crowd denouncing ezar for his oppression of people. He was Vasil Kotoff, a member of a noble Polish family

The same young man pushed a truck can actually trace his family back two generations. His one failing is a desire to be thought a descendant of one of "the old families" and his native land, but glad to be allow. Last night he gave up his place seek a place in the far west in of the old families, and in states to the says he is an artist—contains a number of heirlooms. One thing in which he takes particular pride is a Continental uniform, complete in every Kotoff speaks the Polish, German,

detail, with flint-lock and powder horn. Russian and Jewish languages, but very He was showing this to a young lady the was showing this to a young lady the other day. "My great-grandfather wore this suit when he gave his life to his country during the brave days of the Revolution!" he said. The

young lady inspected the uniform care- Warsaw were selected by lot," he said. fully, but could find neither bullet hole "We were mounted on horses. I car nor sabre cut. She turned to him with a charming smile. "Oh! Was the poor old gentleman drowned?" she the czar should keep his promise and give Poland an assembly.

etz of New York said "With two others I escaped from of a bill that he disprison. We spent two weeks in a wheat Controller Metz of New York said "I object to this bill because field, living on grain and fruit. After it would accomplish nothing. It would almost starving we reached Germany, make no real change. It would be like In order to cross the border out of Russia we walked into the sea at night until our heads were just above the Thus we avoided the guard water. passage on a ship for Mexico. There ve parted.

I worked in a mill. I made my way Kansas City by riding the trucks "I do not know that I am being followed, but I may be and I want to go west so no one will know me. I came to America to live and when I learn the language I can earn plenty of money, but until then it means hard

"What would have been your punish ment?" he was asked.

"Death, or perhaps if I had friends, life sentence in a Siberian prison, chained to a truck which I would have been compelled to push all day."

A Hard Order. Mike had only recently been made foreman of the section-gang, but he

knew the respect due his rank. "Finnegan," he said to an argumentative assistant, "I'll have nawthing of you but silence—and mighty little of that.'

Some men are as particular about a haircut as if they thought it never sist me I will work my passage.' The would have to be cut again.

#### THE BOOMERANG

the Most Peculiar Weapon of War Ever Invented.

The boomerang is an instrument used both in war and in the chase by the aborigines of Australia. It is usually about two feet in length, made of hard wood bent into a curve resembling an obtuse angle, flat on one side and rounded on the other. The method of The thrower takes it in one hand, holding the bent side downward, and hurls it forward as if to hit some object twenty or twenty-five yards in Instead of continuing to go directly forward in accordance with the Newtonian law it slowly ascends in the air, whirling round and round, describing a beautiful and geometrical curved line till it reaches a considerable height, when it begins to retrograde, finally sweeping over the head of the projector, striking the object for was intended, which ways in the rear.

An English officer has this to say of the singular weapon: "The boomerang is one of the most curious weapons of war ever invented, at least by a barbarous people, nor is it easy to compre hend by what law of projectiles it is made to take the singular directions that it frequently does. I have seen a native throw one so as to make it go forty or fifty yards horizontally and not more than four feet from the ground. It would then suddenly dart into the air to the height of fifty or sixty yards, describe a very considerable curve and finally fall at his feet. In all cases, no matter how thrown, the boomering keeps turning with great rapidity, like as if on a pivot, making a loud, whizzing noise all the while."

#### WIT OF THE YOUNGSTERS.

Teacher-Why are explorers so anxious to find the north pole, Gordon? Small Gordon-So it won't be necessary to send other explorers in search of it.

Little Naomi - Say, grandma! Grandma-What is it, dear? Little Naomi—Aren't you awful glad you married grandpa and got related to

Teacher-We were given the different senses for a purpose. Albert, can you tell me why we were given eyes? Little Albert-Yes, ma'am-to shut when we go to sleep.

"Can any little boy in the class tell me why the lions did not hurt Daniel?" asked the Sunday school teacher. "I guess it was 'cause he belonged to the circus," answered a bright youngster.

Mother-Tommy Jones is a bad little boy, Willie, and I can't allow you to play with him. Willie—But, mamma, perhaps he will get better if he associates with a good little boy like me.

Small Edgar-You'd better not go boating with my sister, Mr. Slowboy. Mr. Slowboy (sister's admirer)—And why not, Edgar? Small Edgar—I heard her tell cousin Jennie this morn-

ing that she was going to chuck you Sunday School Teacher-Wallace, can you tell me why Lot's wife was turned into a pillar of salt? Small Wallace—'Cause she was like most other ladies, I guess. Sunday School Teacher-In what way? Small Wallace-

She was too fresh. Sunday School Teacher-What can you tell about Moses, Jesse? Small you tell about Moses, Jesser Sman Jesse—He was a very wicked man. Sunday School Teacher—Why, what put that idea into your head? Small Jesse—Well, he broke the whole of the

ten commandments at one time. "Ruth." said the mother of a little miss who was entertaining a couple of small playmates, "why don't you play something instead of sitting still and looking miserable?" "Why, we are playing, mamma," replied Ruth. 'We're playing we are grown-up men making a call."

#### Proof Positive.

Mrs. Perry thoughtfully regarded the package the maid had just brought in, and then remarked to her husband that she had meant to buy a mauve broche. "What did you get?" he asked.

"Pink louisine." Her husband could not quite conceal a significant smile, and Mrs. Perry went on hurriedly: "I know what you are thinking, Joe—that I don't know

my own mind. But I can prove that "Did you ever know me to go to a

grocery and bring away a can of peaches instead of a bar of soap? Cernot!" she concluded, trium tainly

#### Finance. Many words of most august sound

prove to be of quite commonplace ancestry when traced to their origin. "Finance" is really only "settling up." Literally, it is just "ending" and was formerly used in that very simple tense Then it came in the English language. to signify settling up with a creditor and acquired the special sense of ran-

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Noted the Symptom.
A little girl went for the first time to hurch with her mother. All went well during the service, but the child grew uneasy during the sermon, which was a long one. The mother tried in every way to keep the little girl quiet, but in vain. Finally the child observed that flating his chest and lungs at a new paragraph or head. Just as the mother was assuring the child that the preacher would soon stop, he did-for another start-and the tired child burst out on her mother's assurance, won't; he swelling up again."-Woman's National Daily.



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## **CURRENT NEWS** OF THE WORLD

Important Events of the Week in **Beth Hemispheres Compiled** for Busy Readers.

What is Likely to Happen, Related by Correspondents in Every Corner of the Earth.

New York .- The directors of the per share, compared with \$2 for the let into the plot. same period last year.

Paris observatory, dropped dead at the ministry of public instruction during a meeting of the national board of Trench observatories. French astronomer and director of the French observatories.

Springfield, Ill.-By a unanimous vote the State senate adopted a joint resolution providing for the submission to the people of a constitutional amendment for a \$20,000,000 bond issue to proceed with the deep waterway project.

Washington .- The Treasury Department last week made its first purchase of silver in over a month. Two hunof silver in over a month. dred thousand ounces were purchased at 61.626 cents per fine ounce, one-half to be delivered at New York and half at San Francisco.

Washington .- Immigration from Japan for September was 1294, being a decrease of 506 from last year. The total immigration from all countries for September was 98,694, being 3 per cent more than for 1906. Immigration for six months was 779,527.

Birmingham, Ala.—Christie Strang, a nephew of Walter Christie, lowered the world's record of one mile for an was able, through the help of the ing the distance in 51 3-5 seconds. The previous record was held by the elder Christie, who covered it in 52 nds in Minneapolis, September 10.

Peking.—The imperial Chinese troops detached from the Yanktse Kiang valley cantonments because of the anti-missionary outbreak at Nankang Sien, have driven the socalled Boxer rebels into the mountains on the borders of Kwangtung. In an engagement at Chungyi the troops killed 70 of the in-

Lowell, Mass.-The vibrations of an earthquake were test in this city and all suburban towns one night last week. The shock lasted two or three seconds and was followed by what appeared to be a sharp explosion. In a few instances chinaware was thrown to the floor and in many dwellings the dishes rattled.

Chicago.-David Redfield Proctor eighty-one years old and a cousin of United States Senator Redfield Proctor of Vermont, was found dead in a lodging-house in South Clark He had been in straightened circumstances for several years, although he made a fortune from the sale of royalties on an invention.

Lead S. D .- An attempt to exteri Homestake gold mine, under threat of dynamiting his home unless the money was placed in a designated place, was frustrated by the arrest of the alleged blackmailers. Mrs. Anna Maljas, Maljas, her husband, and Matt Zimbola, were arrested as the guilty per-

Victoria.-The sealing schooner Kinsei Maru has returned from the Alas ka coast and Behring sea with 744 skins. She reports that the other Japanese schoeners in the Behring sea will average from 100 to 300 skins. On September 6th the schooner experienced submarine earthquakes for a reka land district period of twenty-four hours. One shock was so severe that it was feared the craft would go to pieces

Helena, Mont.—George S. Walker of tional Weol-growers' Association announces that the forty-fourth annual onvention of the association will be 16th-18th Speakers of national prominence will present, and President Roosevelt's sion of public ranges will be the most important topic for discussion.

Pittsburg, Pa.-Women clerks Pittsburg department stores, who were warned that they would not be permitted in future to wear high pompadours while at work, have won their fight against the managers of the stores, and in future they will wear their hair any way they see fit. In addition to this victory, every one of the forty girls who were discharged on account of their headdress has been reinstated.

New York .- Falling stock markets are lowering the price of exchange memberships, according to the members of the New York stock exchange A seat was sold a few days ago for \$68,000, the lowest price since the \$68,000, the lowest price since the break of 1903 began. In the depres-sion which followed and which extendinto-1904 seats were sold down to \$50,000. That year memberships gain ed in value until in the early part of Losses sustained \$97,500 was reached. by members in the fall in stocks and of brokers in the last few months to offer their memberships for sale

#### CARRIED DUMMIES ON PAY-ROLL.

#### Southern Pacific Roadmaster and Assist ants Arrested for Fraudulent Practice.

Sacramento.-Following a long and systematic series of embezzlements through the medium of stuffed payrolls by which the Southern Pacific Company has lost several thousand dollars in improper payments to fictitious employes at Suisun, William To-bin, roadmasetr at Suisun; Louis D. What Has Happened, What is Happening, and Choate, Tobin's clerk; Foreman Michael Prenderville and F. E. Wilson have been arrested, charged with the Choate has made a complete confession implicating the

Tobin was made roadmaster Suisun about fifteen months ago. He appointed Choate as his clerk, and it is believed that the systematic robbery of the railroad began at once. Pren-United States Express Company de-clared a semi-annual dividend of \$3 derville and Wilson of necessity were The payrolls stuffed with fictitious names of Jap-Paris.—Morries Loewey, the eminent anese and Hindoos, and it was not for months that the railroad officials tween \$4000 and \$5000.

the floods in the spring, when hundreds of men were employed on tres tles between Sacramento and Davis and at every point under direction of Tobin, that dummy Japanese Hindoos were carried on the rolls for every squad. Tobin received the checks to pay off these men, and the amount embezzled during the period will reach into the thousands. Choate, who confessed, has been released, and will be used as a witness against Tobin.

#### PUTTING DOWN LID ON VALLEJO.

#### Reformers Aim to Reduce Number of Saloons and Favor Sunday Closing.

Vallejo.-The Municipal League, ocal organization, which sprung into Navy Department, to have the liquor licenses of this city cut down from ninety-five to fifty, and the license in creased from \$20 a quarter to \$100, and the saloons closed from 1 a. m. to 6 a. m., is not satisfied and will close the lid down tighter if possible. It is understood that the naval authorities are again to be asked to bring pressure upon the municipal authorities of Vallejo to the end that number of liquor licenses be reduced from fifty to twenty-five, and that al saloons be closed on Sundays and holidays. If these measures succeed, the next move will be to have a thoroughly dry town.

#### Must Hang for Assaulting Guard.

San Rafael.-Jacob Oppenheimer San Quentin's incorrigible convict, was entenced to be hanged at Folsom, on the 8th day of January next, by Su perior Judge Lennon. Oppenheimer is the first man to be convicted under the new law making it a capital offense for a life convict to make an assault with a deadly weapon.

When asked by Judge Lennon if he had anything to say he replied: "No nothing. It is too late now."

The defense will attack the law un der which the conviction was had contending that it provides a cruel and unusual punishment for a not very serious offense.

#### Land Withdrawn From Entry.

Washington.—As a proposed addition to the Trinity general forest. there has been temporarily withdrawn unappropriated public land amounting to 2553 acres in Northwestern damage California. The lands lie along the western border of the national forest near Eureka, and are within the Eu-

#### Accidentally Kills Companion.

enne, Wyo., secretary of the Na- well-known optician of this city, shot est to the miners. and killed Pedro Pearson, 20 years old, on a ranch in the Uvas district, located thirty miles distant from this city. The two men were on a hunting trip and were searching the brush for quail when the accident took place.

#### Big German Bank Fails.

Hamburg.-The old private banking firm of Haller Soehle & Co. has suspended. The liabilities of the firm are said to be \$7,500,000. This crash of this firm is the biggest bank failure in Germany since the famous down of the Leipzeiger Bank in June, 1901.

#### Train Wrecked in Washout.

San Bernardino.-While running at high speed a Santa Fe freight train dashed into a washout near Bengal Fireman J. H. Potter was instantly Engineer E. O. Wilbur killed. crawled out of the mass of debris un-

#### Republicans Seek Convention City.

Washington .- The Republican Na-6th and 7th for the pur-

## BEAR HUNTING IN LOUISIANA **GREAT SPORT FOR PRESIDENT**

the wild cat, and there were times when we almost felt as if we could eat

This was President Roosevelt's summing up of the result of his hunt on Bayou Tensas and Bear Lake. The bear that was obtained by the

the President dismounted from his horse, dashed off his coat and tore into the canebrake, coming to within twenty paces of the beast. The dogs President responded by presenting were coming up rapidly, with the him with a \$20 note. President's favorite, Rowdy, in the In honor of the ad, and the brute had stopped to name of this place bid defiance to them when the Presi- Roosevelt.

Stamboul, La.—"We got three bears | dent sent a bullet from his 40-70 rifle and six deer, one wild turkey, twelve after it. The shot went through the squirrels, one duck, one possum and animal's lights and would have been one wild cat. We ate them all except fatal, but with the little life left in it the bear turned upon the dogs. President concluded to end all, and lodged a second bullet between the shoulders, which broke the creature's neck

Other members of the party were The bear that was obtained by the President had been chased by the dogs for three hours, the President fortune that he almost embraced each following all the time. When at last of his companions. They were equally

of the President, the

## ween \$4000 and \$5000. It has been ascertained that during GROCERS AND PACKERS MUST LABEL ACCORDING TO LAW

Washington.-The Board of Drug | was denied. It is declared that suffiand Food Inspection issued a food-in-spection decision to the effect that the request of the National Wholesale grocers Association and Jobbers, or deceptive in any particular may be grocers, wholesalers and Jobbers, throughout the United States for an extension until October, 1908, of the erasures or other suitable means. Mis-

request of the National Wholesale Grocers' Association and individual individual of deceptive in any particular may be privilege of using labels on hand not strictly complying with the regulations be obliterated.

## WILL ASK CONGRESS FOR IMMENSE FIGHTING SHIPS

which shall be sister ships to the 20,-000-ton Delaware and North Dakota, however, that the department will be present the very last word in naval measurably well satisfied if Congress construction.

Washington .- The Navy Depart- | consents to allow two more 20,000ment has practically decided to ask Congress for four battleships, two of an arrangement is most effective. If such ships are authorized there is litauthorized by the last Congress and already contracted for, and the other two still larger. It is doubtless true, North Dakota, which represent at

## TERRORISTS HELD CARNIVAL OF CRIME DURING SEPTEMBER

that thirty-four persons were execut-

St. Petersburg.-Police statistics ous affrays. The figures do not injust published regarding terrorism clude the casualties in the anti-Jewish during the month of September show ed; that 207 persons, including seven- ings or representatives of the authority-three officials, were murdered, and ties and the discovery of thirty-four that 172 people were wounded in vari- stores of bombs and explosives

#### Call for Miners' Convention.

San Francisco.-W. C. Ralston as resident has called the annual meeting of the California Miners' associa- Dnished his 1000-mile walk at Nor tion for November 25 at the rooms of wood Inn in this city Sunday morning. the California Promotion committee He has walked one mile during each in this city. A number of topics will hour for 1000 consecutive hours, and be discussed, which include the foi-lowing: The location of mineral at no time during this test of strength claims on forest reserves; the restric-tion of area to be located under a This is one of the most remark single ownership; the segregation of walking tests ever witnessed in Amermineral land; timber and used by sm caused smelters to the mining industry; the berculosis tral watersheds of the State. Repte-sentative men have been requested Rurder Woul by the executive committee of the as-San Jose .- Dr. George B. Pratt, a sociation to prepare papers of inter-

#### Paintings Sold for \$3,000,000.

New York .- It is learned here that Thomas Agnew & Sons, art dealers of London, are the buyers of the famous Ashburton collection of paintings. The price the firm paid was \$3,000,-Some of the finest pictures are to this country. those which will probably be brought here are the "Huntsmen Halting Near Some Herdsmen," by Albert Cuyp, a Dutch artist who died in 1672, and Cottages in a Woody Landscape, Hobbema, another Dutch artist, the date of whose death is thought to have been 1670. The former painting, Mr. Scott says, is worth less than \$300,000, and the latter is worth \$150,000.

#### Famine Faces Alaskans.

Seattle.-Catalla, Alaska, which is the supply base of the 3,000 men employed on the Copper river and Northwestern railroad and coal mines and other properties of the Guggen heims, is in the throes of a food famine. J. H. Rogers has arrived at the Cunard steamer Lusitania, the Valdez, according to cable advices Washington.—The Republican National Committee will meet in this city

from that point, for the purpose of

December 6th and 7th for the purpose what supplies he can pur
securing what supplies he can pur
000 and 15,000 persons who had been pose of deciding upon the place and chase there. He says the situation at fortunate enough to secure tickers time for holding the next Republican Catalia as regards food is most criti-

pol. The police also report 165 attacks made by armed men on estates, build-

#### O'Leary Makes Walking Record.

Cincinnati.—Dan O'Leary, world famous long distance

This is one of the most remarkable and; the ica, and the medical world has been smelter intensely interested as to the outcome. of It is said that the International Tuwork of the debris commission as re- O'Leary to attempt the walk and that lated to hydraulic mining in the cen- he is to receive \$5000 for accomplish-

#### Burglar Would Not Take Child's Savings.

York .- A burglar with sonti ment is popularly supposed to be rarity, but such a one has been found here. He stole \$800 in money and valuables from the house of Gustus Ruland, a sea captain, but refused to take the savings of Ruland's little daughter, Grace, about \$18, or her few jewelry trinkets.

Instead of rifling the girl's bank, he left this note on it: "I have a swee little girl of my own. I hate to be in My regards to you, baby,"

#### Japs Seek Damages From Canada.

Ottawa.-Fifty-four claims, ranging Japanese residents of Vancouver for damages sustained in riots. For broken glass \$2400 is asked and for business losses, \$11,200. The claims made on the Government are detailed, even the photographs of the buildings, showing the injuries in each case.

#### Thousands Inspect Lusitania

New York .- The public interest in queen of the Atlantic, was demon were permitted to board and inspect the big ship.

#### ORLAND IRRIGATION PLAN APPROVED.

#### Arrangements Completed and Great Project Will be Carried Out by Government.

Washington.-The Secretary of the Interior has definitely approved the allotment of \$680,000 for the construction of the Orland irrigation project ir the Sacramento valley, and f for the necessary work will be pre The pared by the reclamation service, after which construction can commence. Or December 15th, 1906, the allotmen was made, subject to the following conditions

First-That 12,000 acres of land be pledged by owners on a form to be approved by the department, such that the lands will be held bound to repay the cost of construction under terms of the reclamation act.

Second-That satisfactory arrange ments be made and agreements completed for the adjustment of water rights or for options to purchase certain properties and rights, notably those of the Stony Creek Irrigation Company and the Lemon Home Water and Light Company.

Third—That satisfactory arrangements be made for the purchase of lands needed for reservoir purposes. Fourth-That the owners of the lands agree to subdivide their holdings in excess of 160 acres into farm units

of not to exceed forty acres.

The people in the valley have not only complied with these conditions, but land subscriptions aggregate in excess of the limit placed by the Secretary of the Interior, and the subscribed lands lie in such manner as to render economical distribution prac

#### RALPH ROSE WILL GO TO ENGLAND.

#### Famous Californian Will Help to Maintain Supremacy of American Athletes.

Santa Rosa.—Ralph Rose, world's champion shot-putter, has re-turned to his home in Healdsburg and for the present will take up the study of father, Attorney J. W. Rose of this

Rose returned recently from a trip to the Jamestown Exposition, where he competed in the championship championship games as a representative Olympic Club of San F

"I don't expect to do anything in athletics for the next few months," said the big fellow in discussing his plans, "but in March I expect to visit England to take part in the athletic contests to be held in London. I will go as a representative of the New York Athletic Club, of which I am a

#### Many Victims of Automobile.

Boston .- A report issued by the Safe Roads Automobile Association shows that between June 21st and September 21st of this year forty-one persons were killed and 313 injured as a result of automobile accidents in Massachusetts, as far as recorded by the association. This covered 211 colwagons, automobiles lisions with trains and vehicles. The report says that in the same time 345 other serious collisions were reported by the newspapers, and many horses and eattle were killed or injured.

#### Ear of Corn Brings \$250.

Chicago.-Two hundred and fifty dollars was the world's record price paid for a single ear of bushel at that rate would have sold for \$15,000. The ear, a "Boone County White," was sold to the high "Boone est bidder in an exciting auction at the National Corn Exposition. The ourchaser was the man who grew it L. B. Clore, a farmer from Franklin Ind., who has captured \$7,535 in

#### Object to Speed Limit on Autos.

Honolulu.-The Honolulu Automoposing all laws or ordinances that would place a limit on speed of autobile Club has adopted a resolution opmobiles. The resolution was adopted pelago, and a thorough unanimously at a meeting called in Supervisors to limit the speed of automobiles on public roads to fifteen miles an hour.

#### Robbers Raid Saloon.

tered Dempsey's saloon, covered the of the Japanese Emperor and Empartender, George Wells, and a patron press. She is expected to develop named James Keenan with revolvers and lined them against the wall, face The intruders then robbed the till of \$45 and took a watch and chain, rings and coin from the victims.

#### Chased Runaway Freight Car.

from the train while

#### \$17,500 for Loss of Arm.

Henelulu .-- United States District Judge Dole has awarded Henry Withoff, formerly first mate of the barkentine Fullerton, \$17,500 damages for the loss of an arm.

## **EXPERTS BEGIN** WAR ON PESTS

#### To Exterminate Orange and Lemon Scale is Task of Scientists Sent From Washington.

Will Use Fund of \$20,000 Appropriated by Congress for the Work .-- Expect to Remain Two Years in Groves of Southern California.

Los Angeles.-At the Los Angeles farm one of the most important series of experiments ever conducted in California is being carried on. The various varieties of insects that form scale on the orange and lemon trees, and have caused the loss of millions of dollars to citrus-fruit growers, are the particular object. The work will continue two years and will be paid for out of an appropriation by Congress of \$20,000. M. C. Marlatt of Washington and his assistant, Mr. Wooglum,

are the Government experts. Marlatt has come recently from Florida, where he studied the habit of various insects that feed upon the leaves of fruit trees. He will make the investigations in this county the most exhaustive ever conducted by this branch of the service of the Department of Agriculture. Experiments will be held at about twenty points in the county, in order to get at the facts concerning the pests in all sorts of conditions, as to climate, altitude, etc. Tests of cyanide fumigation will be made with a view to determining the best methods of killing the insects.

#### Strange Will of Cassie Chadwick.

Cleveland .- After the body of Mrs. assie I. Chadwick was buried at her childhood home, Woodstock, Onta-rio, there was made public in this will she made two years before her strange criminal career was ex posed. Altogether it is one of the most interesting documents yet found in connection with Mrs. Chadwick's operations

The will disposes of over \$1,000,000 worth of property. Her son, daugh-ter and husband, retinue of servants, relatives in distant cities and friends all share to the extent of hundreds of thousands.

In every case of bequest to an institution Mrs. Chadwick stipulated that she should receive full credit, ordering that the funds be named "Chadwick Memorial Funds," and that if buildings be erected they be called "Chadwick" buildings.

#### Pensioners Are Decreasing

Washington .- The decrease of 18,-600 in the number of pensioners on the rolls at the end of the fiscal year 1907, as compared with the year previous, is the feature of the annual report of Pension Commissioner War-ner just issued. This is the greatest decrease in the history of the Pen-

The total number of June 30, 1907, was 967,371, and the total value of the pension roll at that date was \$140,850,880. This is greater by \$4,613,131 than the value roll for the year previous and is accounted for by the higher rates of pensions provided for by the act of February, 1907.

#### Will Study Ocean's Inhabitants.

San Francisco.-Bound for a scientific cruise to the Far East, the Fish Commission steamer Albatross sailed last week, under command of Captain Hepburn. On board were Dr. Bartsch of the National Museum at Washington and Dr. Chamberlain of the Bu-reau of Fisheries. Deep-sea soundings made of the fishes in Philippine waters. The Albatross may be absent from here a year.

#### Japan Launches Great Cruiser

Tokio.—The armored cruiser Kurama of 14,620 tons was successfully Marysville.-Two masked men en- launched at Yokosuka in the present quarters knots. She is fitted with the most modern appliances throughout, and is regarded as being the powerful vessel of her class affoat.

#### Five Years for a Banker.

Milwaukee .- Former Banker Thos Bakersfield.—After an execution for over twenty miles, a runaway freight car was caught on the South Tehachapi grade before any damage lost \$40,000 of the bank's funds in or loss of life had resulted. The car whits switching at Mojave and ran down the in the Federal penitentiary at Fort sentenced to five years' imprisonment Leavenworth, Kas.

#### Bad Train Wreck in Spain.

St. Sebastian, Spain.-Twenty-seven persons were killed or wounded in a railroad wreck at Orio, about miles from here.

## Beulah's Engagement.

By ANNE HEILMAN.

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The heir to the Fackerel millions The near to the great chair and bend a stealthy, puzzled glance in the plate the butier had put before him. He had no more idea of the food the claim contained than he had of the claim contained than he had of the contained than he had of the claim contained than the claim contained than the cla

proper fork to eat it with.
"Tell me your object in wanting this secretaryship, Fackerel," suggested Judge Delmas, apparently oblivious of his guest's dilemma. "Why you, with almost unlimited wealth at your command, should desire such a position

'Am I very well off?" queried Fackerel. "You know money just means figures to a twelve dollar per week bank clerk."

You are better off than this young

The judge smiled reassuringly, lough Delmas had known his old friend's nephew but two or three days,

he had taken a fancy to the boy.

Ned Fackerel was about twenty-five, well set up, broad shouldered fellow, with a fresh, unlined face, which made look younger than he was. He a well shaped head, with steady, deep set eyes and a square jaw.

"Well, judge," went on the boy in his deep, pleasant voice, "since I've come into this money the papers have been printing columns about me and my I'm besieged by reporters and with congratulations and invitations from people I never heard of. I'd like to drop out of sight for awhile until I learn the ropes, you know, and I can't travel very far because you'll need me to sign papers now and again.
And J should like to try being a rich
man's secretary so that I could see a
little life from the inside.

"It will not do you any harm," said the judge, "and the experience may do you good."

Hobson was only too glad to have a secretary recommended by the judge, and as Fackere! was quick and adaptable he had little trouble. He accompanied the young millionaire to his great country house, where Hobson expected to entertain in lavish fashion, with the assistance of an amiable, leasure loving aunt.

One morning after a night's carousal

with some congenial friends Hobson sent a peremptory summons for his secretary.

"The Warings are coming today," he announced. "I nearly forgot all about it. You'll have to go to the station, Fackerel. I'm hænged if I feel up to it, and some one must meet her majestr"."

"Very well, str." replied the secretary, rather stiffly. Hobson's way of speaking of women did not coincide with Fackerel's ideas, and the youth always grew especially ruffled at Hobson's careless mention of the girl he expected to marry.

expected to marry. Fackerel had never seen Beulah Warg. When he arrived at the station find the train in and a number of him. As she stepped aside quickly to avoid being run down by a truck load of trunks the bag slipped from her shoulder, and she tripped over it, falling straight into Fackerel's outstretch-

'Oh, I hope you aren't hurt!' he exclaimed so fervently that she smiled

"Not a bit, thank you," she replied. "Can you tell me whether Mr. Hob-son's trap is here?"
"I can indeed," he answered, picking

up the bag. "I drove it over to meet Miss Waring." "I am Beulah Waring. And-you?"

she inquired in a rather imperious

mered Fackerel. "The others are coming on a later

The coming of Beuflah Waring was light. I once knew of an aged spinan event in Ned Fackerei's life. With

love had never touched her.

Her distaste for her approaching marriage was absorbing her mind to the exclusion of all else. Hobson was the only one who understood the situa-tion, and he found a vast amount of quiet, cynical amusement in the

it was in progress Fackerel was strid-ing up and down a secioned path on the lawn having it out with himself.

gleaming against the dark background of the trees

"You haven't even congratuated the, Mr. Fackerel," she began, "and now my birthday is nearly over."
"I've been hoping all day for the chance, Miss Waring, I—I want to beg you to accept this in remembrance of e one to whom you have been very

He held out to her a small square box, and she took it wonderingly

irresolutely.
"I cannot accept so costly a gift,

and -from you," she said. "I want you to have it," he persist.

1, "to remember me, if you will, when I am gone."

"Gone!" she repeated. "Why, surely "Gone: She repeated. "Why, surely you are not going away?"
"Tomorrow, and this is our"—
"But why do you go?" she interrupted, suddenly growing white and wistful. "I don't want you to go. I need

"You are better off than this young thosen, who wants a secretary. He's also a client of mine."

"What?" exclaimed Fackerel excited-ly. "It-it is incredible!"

"It want you to go. "I don't want you to go. "I' trust I don't intrude?" broken the second that it is incredible. "I' hosen's cool, sneering voice, make a charming tableau." "I trust I don't intrude?" broke in

Fackerel scarcely heeded him. He was too much dazed at the significance of Beulah's last trembling speech to think or to care to think what Hobson's presence meant. A sudden hope-fulness sprang up within him, and he could scarcely keep back the eager words upon his lips. Beulah, with the gleaming pendant still in her hand, looked from her betrothed's sneering face to the other's, white and intent, and knew at last what the fierce, sweet pain at her heart portended.

"Having clandestine meetings with my promised wife is something I could easily overlook," the sneering voice went on. "But a predilection for mak ing expensive presents by one who has access to my safe is another matter. You can consider yourself discharged, Fackerel.

"Robert, I am ashamed of you," ex-claimed Beulah, hastily placing herself between the two men as Fackerel made a step forward. "You can con-sider our engagement broken," draw-ing his ring from her fluger and thrusting it into his hand. "Have the

goodness to leave me."
"I'll look over your accounts at once,
Fackerel," he threatened as he turned

and walked away over the lawn.
"Beulah," began Fackerel abruptly,
"I don't know how to say it well, but I love you with all my heart, and I ant you to say that you care for me

She stepped up to him and put her two hands on his shoulders, and so for a long minute she stood looking straight into Fackerel's eyes.

"As I never dreamed of caring for any one on earth, my dear," she whis-pered.

A Blowing Well.

There is a blowing well near Raymondville, Texas county, Mo. This well, which is on a hill, was drilled in 1899 to a depth of 187 feet. Soft wa ter was struck at the bottom and rose seven feet in the well. In a dry time, especially in the winter, the well becomes dry. In drilling it a cave three feet high was struck at a depth of 100 to find the train ...
people looking about expectantly, he was puzzled. He was making his way across the platform when he saw a tall, sun browned girl confing toward the Line. As she stepped aside quickly to honeycombed and cavernous nature of the rocks in this region. About ten feet. When the well is dry, if there is a long prevailing wind from the north, a current of air rushes from the pipe miles to the north in the valley Ashley creek is what Schoolcraft scribed in the account of his trip through this region in 1818 as "the valley of caves." Here in the eroded bluffs may be seen numerous caves, which testify to the great amount of underground drainage and through which probably the prevailing winds are sucked underground and carried for long distances, accounting for the blowing well ten miles away.-Chicago News.

te inquired in a mather imperious

ay.

"I am Mr. Hobson's secretary," stamYork could talk at once," said a veteran police detective, "a great many in-teresting things would be learned and hurried on for a round of golf no end of mysteries revealed. Stolen train. I hurried on for a round of goil before luncheon, as I knew the Greers and Denisons were already here," she explained as Fackeren assisted her into an event in Ned Fackerei's life. With the single infinitely and the single infinitely and for all time. See and unworldly main he field in love with her deeply and for all time. Beulah wars honestly unconscious of it, though/she might have known it had she istopped to reason out his thoughtfulness for her, his gentle air of protection and deference and his deep, silent delight in her society. She was not/in any way self conscious, and love had never touched her.

> Mrs. Whitaker (in "Sicily and England, 1848-70") has preserved some odd reminiscences of ences of people once well We think she has succeeded

A Candid Hostess.

known.

would sing for me. As my rooms are small I can only invite people who

**Newly Married Couple Surprised.** 

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Whipple were given a surprise at their home near town Saturday night, by a few of their neighbors and

Games and music amused the company until the supper hour, when all enjoyed the sumptious banquet spread by the ladies of the party. Mr. and Mrs. Whipple were married on October 10 in San Jose. Mrs. Whipple was Miss Tessie Lawler of Almaden. The groom has resided in this locality for a number of years and has many friends who wish he and his bride a happy and prosperous wedded life.

Those present at the party were: Mr. and Mrs. Louis Whipple, Gen. and Mrs. Black, Mr. and Mrs. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bohnett, Mr. and Mrs. Bell. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander, Mr. George Whipple, Floyd Bell and Bertie Bell.

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Y. M. C. A. Notice.

The Men's Meeting at 3:30 p. n. will be addressed by Evange list Edw. D. Smith, of Los Angeles. Subject: "Beasts." Miss Nellie Lawson will sing.

Moral Muscle Club meeting Sunday afternoon, 3 p. m. to 3:45 p. m. All the boys of the church, between the age of 13 to 18, are invited to hear Mr. Frederick A. DuBridge, the physical director, speak and Miss Nellie Lawson sing.

Varney & Green Denied New Trial.

The motion of Varney & Green, bil osters, for a new trial in their sui gainst the town marshal and trusees of East San Jose, was denied by Judge Welch in Department One the Superior Court yesterday. Las May the town authorities alleged that he advertising company were mainaining bill boards centrary to a town ordinance and the company brough suit to secure an injunction restraining the marshal from removing th bill boards, but Judge Welch refused to issue the restraining order and the company filed a motion for a new

It was agreed that the motion for new trial should be submitted or Victor Hancock, manager for the firm, stated in his affidavit that the signs are not a menace to life and limb, that no immeral pictures are displayed and that ragged remnants

The East San Joseans view the matbesides generally denying Hancock's statements, claim that the signs cheapen property, that they are un-

clean, unsafe and unsightly. One "ad" they describe as ansightly daub with mountains very oadly drawn and very much faded. said nothing to Beulah, whose engagement to him/had been the fruition of a scheming mother's work, because he expected her to allow, him great latitude in his/own affairs.

On the night of Paulah's birthday there wassa dinner attithe house. While it was in progress Fackerel was striding under the progress Fackerel was striding under the house. While the was not good looking: "Dear Miss Temple-Bodewin, I had asked you and ing und down a secluded path on your sister to my house hoping you." Another bill they object to "is a with a snow-white face, white cuffs scene in green and black and yellow

would sing for me. As my rooms are small I can only invite people who and how he felt toward Beulah, and he determined rightly or wrongly that she should know something of his feelings for her.

After a time he grew calmer. Looking up, he saw Beulah coming straight

#### PRESS NOTES

Mrs. E. H. Black is spending a few weeks in San Francisco.

Mrs. Hyde and daughter Mrs. Sanderson came down from Palo Alto Monday to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kennedy.

The prune growers who are in the "prune pool" will meet at Campbell Fruit Growers' Union on Monday. An interesting and profitable meeting is looked forward to. Mrs. R. E. Goddard and chil-

dren have returned to Campbell from Nevada, where they have been for several months with Mr. Goddard. The Campbell Improvement

Club did not transact any business Monday night, there being no quorum present.

The W.C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Stephens next Wednesday, Oct. 30th, at 2:30 o'clock. After a program, tea will be served.

The New England supper at Congregational Church last evening was a success. After the bountiful supper a short program was much enjoyed. Mrs. Shaw gave an acceptable reading, Mrs. Luther a pleasing vocal solo, she being accompanied on the Cello by Dudley Moulton, a Cello solo by Mr. Moulton, accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Luther was much enjoyed, as was also a reading by Miss Tillie Hayes.

#### Orchard City Grange Meets.

Orchard City Grange held an interesting meeting on Tuesday evening, Worthy Master Kees ling in the chair.

The evening's program was a good one. The special subject under discussion was, "How Can We Obtain Sufficient Orchard Help?" Those who spoke on the subject were Sisters Black, Waite, and Brothers Keesling, Bohnett, Hall, Hurlburt, Stuart, Cornell and Keith. It was the opinion of the speakers that although there was a scarcity of help this year, if there had been the usual crop of fruit sufficient help would have come in to harvest the same. It was also the sense of the meeting that a considerable amount of help is obtainable from the different schools in this part of the State, also from the Boys' and Girls' Aid Society and other institutions of a like character. This method has been tried in a small way and found to be as a rule

satisfactory. The evening's program was concluded with a piano solo by Miss Mildred Keesling; also a very sweet Scotch ballad, "Bide a Bit," by Mrs. Luther, both pieces being highly appreciated.

#### Property Owners Own Nuts on Road

At a regular meeting of the Orchard City Grange No. 333, P. of H., held in Campbell October 8, we had the lav in regard to the ownership of fruit or nuts grown on trees by the way side fully explained to us by Charles Beardsley, a bright young law student of Campbell, and we are pleased to see the opinion of our able District attorney fully agrees with Mr Beardsley's. In explanation, Mr Beardsley said that where the land had not been deeded to the county of paper are not permitted to hang the abutting land owner had the right to plant trees in the road near the line so long as it did not interfere er from an artistic standpoint, and with the county's right of way, and the fruit or nuts grown on those tree was legally owned by the abutting land owner. This explanation of the law is of great importance to the land cury some time since caused a cer tain element in the cities and towns to flock to the country and lay in a supply of fruit and nuts free of charge and were quite insolent if asked to move on. P. W. KEITH. October 23, 1907.

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San Jose, this 19th day of October, A. D. 1907.

W. L. NORTHERN,

W. L. NORTHERN, Administrator with the Will annexed of the Estate of Robert McConnell, De-

Karns & Whitehurst, Attorneys for Administrator.

#### SOCIETIES.

Masonic Notice Charity Lodge, No. 362, F. & A. M., Campbell, Cal. Stated meetings held on the second Monday of each month. S. R. WABE, Master BEORGE S. ROBSON, Secretary.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Morning Light Lodge, No. 42, meets every Thursday evening in Odd Fellows Hall. Sojourning brothers are cordially invited to attend the lodge meetings.

W. L. DOWYON, Noble Grand.
R. E. Gates, Secretary.

Rebekals

Ada Rebekah Lodge, No. 223, I. O. O. F., meets the first and Third Tuesday evenings at Odd Fellows Hall. Sojourning sisters and brothers are cordially invited to attend.

MRS. W. W. DUNHAM, Noble Grand MISS ETHEL HILLS, Secretary.

Patrons of Husbandry
Orchard City Grange, No. 333, meets on
the second and fourth Tuesday evenings at
Odd Fellows Hall. Sojourning members are
cordially invited to attend.
A. C. KEBSLING, Worthy Master.
MRS. O. A. PUTNAM, Worthy Secretary.

Woodmen of the World Camp Moorpark, No. 671, meets on the first and third Saturday evenings of each month in Odd Fellows Hall. All sojourning neighbors are invited to attend.

ALFRED BULMORE, Council Com.

L. W. HUTCHINS, Clerk.

Fraternal Aid Association

Palm Leaf Council, No. 550, meets on the second and fourth Saturday evenings at Odd Fellows Hall. Sojourning members are cordially invited to attend.

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ble.

FIRST INSTALLMENT: Taxes on all personal property, a lien on or secured by land, all special taxes, and one-half of the taxes on all real property are delinquent on November 26, 1907, at 6 o'clock p. m., when 15 per cent will be added to all of said first installment remaining unpaid

For the purpose of receiving taxes I will be in my office in the Court House in San Jose daily, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. to and including Monday, Nov. 25, 1907, and Monday, April 27, 1908, at

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6:32 a m, Daily (including Sunday) to San
Francisco, via Oakland.
7:10 a m, Daily (except Sunday) to San
Francisco, via Palo Alto.
7:30 a m, New Almaden to San Jose, Mixed.
2:45 p m, Freight.
3:10 p m, Daily (including Sunday) to San
Francisco, via Oakland.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO 8:26 a m, Freight Leave S, F, 8:20 am Daily, via Oakland, in-cluding Sunday, arrive Campbell 11:00. 5:08 p m, New Almaden Mixed, Daily, Leave S, F, 5:00 p. m. Daily, except Sunday, via Palo Alto, arrive Campbell 6:55. Leave S, F, 5:00 p. m. Daily, including Sun-day, via Oakland, arrive Campbell 7:30.



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