DOBLEY'S SHOPPING.

M R. DOBLEY was at his office when he received this telegram: Please step in at Sellemthing's on your way home and buy me a belt; waist meas-

That meant that Mrs. Dobley wanted a belt in a great hurry, and as they were starting for out of town by an early morning train Mr. Dobley supposed that it was to wear with a traveling dress. He hated to shop, but it was understood that when a case of necessity arose he was willing to rifice himself. So he kept the message and stopped off at Sellemthing's half an hour before closing time. He wondered if bets came under the head of notions or welry, but, wishing to be quite sure, he a floorwalker, who said belts were the basement.

Mr. Dobley went down in the elevator, condering much, and asked another man about belts. This man mopped his brow, for it was a warm afternoon, and repeated

nanely, almost idiotically:
"Helts? Not on this floor," said the man, reproachfully.

They said upstairs they were on this said Dobley, savagely. He hated being sent on a wild-goose chase about a dry ds shop, and sometimes it seemed as ough it were a sort of game that the salesople played on customers, especially when was nearly time to close.

We only have athletic belts and swimming belts on this floor," said the floor-

Then what are you talking about?" asked "Where are they?"

The floorwalker designated the direction that led to the athletic goods, and Dobley proceeded, although he knew quite well hat he would not find the belt Mrs. Dobwished for among them. But he wanted o teach the floorwalker a lesson in polite

After pretending to buy, he strode up stairs and wandered among the aisles like lost soul, looking for belts. Seeing some things depending from a line with buckles on them, he approached jauntily, and said e young woman in charge:

Let me see some of those in your very atest designs, please?" The very latest have gun-metal and rhinestone buckles," said the young lady "This has a horseshoe on one and a fleur-de-

on the other. Eight dollars a pair. 'A pair ?" exclaimed Mr. Dobley. "Do you sell 'em by the pair?" "Usually," said the young lady, haugh

"I only wanted one," said Dobley, "21 "How many inches?" asked the young

lady, in a frightened tone.
"Twenty-one," said Dobley, "waist meas-

'The waist measure doesn't matter," said the young woman.
"Doesn't?" said Dobley. "I should think the waist measure would matter considerably in a belt."

"These aren't belts," said the young

woman; "they are stocking supporters."
"Oh-" said Dobley, "I thought-"
"Cawsh!" said the young lady, turning her back deliberately on Dobley.

Mr. Dobley turned away crestfallen.

now only lacked 15 minutes of six, and he knew what to expect in the way of attensaw a pleasant-faced young woman stand-ing by a counter full of hats, and he ap-proached her.

"Can you inform me," he said, "where I can find belts for sale?" I cannot," she said, calmly

'Would you be good enough to find out?' asked Dobley, in desperation.
"I would not," she said, haughtily.
"And why not, may I ask?" said Dobley.
"Because I don't choose to," said the

young woman, "and I think you are im-Just then a salesman came up and handed the lady a hat which she pinned on her head, handed him payment for, and left

look of scorn at Dobley, who persived that he had been addressing a cusmer instead of a saleswoman. 'Belts! Belts!" he said, hoarsely, clutch-

What kind of belts?" asked the clerk,

The man pointed to a counter across the room, where two girls were dusting things

and putting them away. They paid no attention to Mr. Dobley, but carried on an interesting conversation. Please show me some belts," said Mr.

"What price belts?" asked the sales-

woman. "How can I tell what I want till I see

them?" said Dobley.
"He can't tell then," said the other girl again, addressing space. "He's a shopper. They always come in at six on a hot day."
"Here are some of the newest belts," said

the young woman. "This gold hraid with a real turquoise buckle. They are a dollar an inch and the buckle comes extra."

"Isn't that rather high?" said Dobley. Not for gold belts," said the girl.

"I think my wife would prefer a plainer sert of belt." he said. "His wife?" said the space talker, sarcas-

There is no call for plain belts," said the ir, shoving the tray away in the case. What time is it, Manna?"
"Ten minutes to six," said the other girl. I should think folks would know better

than to come in at such a time." "Perhaps you'd like a 65-cent belt? Or,

leather belt?" Do you think a lady would like one of he asked. "It depends on the lady," said the girl,

pertly. "Some would and some like that's an old-style belt. The pulley belt s the newest thing." Why didn't you let me see them in the

first place?" asked Mr. Dobley. "That is what I want; the newest thing in belts." The girl took out a box of satin belts of

"How much are they?" said Dobley. "Two-fifty each," said she.
"I'll take two," said Dobley, desperately.
"Well, well, well!" said the girl who

Dobley escaped with his belts through the door, the grating of which had been

but up except in one space through which he was allowed to pass eyed by the sales-women as though he was a criminal. When he got home he displayed them to Mrs. Dob-The very newest thing," he said. Mrs. Dobley tried one on and it fitted. "Well," she said, you can shop better

than I. They are perfectly lovely. Shopping is a perfect torment to me. The saleswomen and men are so disagreeable on hot days."

"I don't know that I exactly care for shopping," said Dobley; "but when it comes to a belt hunt, give me the comes and I'm game,"—N. Y. Sun.

SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

Harvard granted degrees in course to 938 persons recently.

Yale, during the past year, has received pledges of gifts of \$1,090,000 toward the bicentenary fund, and \$200,000 in addition. It is said in Boston that Prof.

Charles Eliot Norton has declared his

intention of leaving to Harvard, at

his death, his large library, valuable archaelogical collection and priceless collection of manuscripts. The Apostleship of Prayer of the Roman Catholic church now has over \$5,000,000 members. Under its auspices 32 magazines are printed in various parts of the world, in nearly all

the languages of importance. Rev. Dr. Mandell Creighton, bishop of London, has a correspondence consisting of about 60 letters a day, which he reads and answers personally. He spends his holidays in the small villages of Italy to get away from the crowds.

Roumania would appear to be the most illiterate country in Europe. The last census shows that in a population of nearly 6,000,000, nearly 4,000,-000 can neither read nor write, and that only a little over 1,000,000 have any education at all.

Presbyterianism is growing in London, England. In 1860 it had only 24 congregations; in 1898 96, nearly four times as many. Forty years ago the membership was 7,087; two years ago, 22,585. Its income in 1860 was \$177,420; in 1898, \$532,020. Last year it maintained a steady increase,

The London Christian World says that Gen. Cronje was much depressed on the voyage to St. Helena. He and his wife would sit side by side for hours without speaking, holding each other's hands and occasionally rending the Bible. To cheer them up, a graphophone was brought into use After playing a march, Sankey's hymn, "The Ninety and Nine," was given. Mrs. Cronje burst into tears, but the wife of another Boer officer sang the bymn through to the necompaniment of the graphophone. Cronje was so interested in the performance that the graphophone was presented to him, and with it he amuses himself in St. Helena.

A MOUNTAINEER'S RELIGION.

He Went to Church and Suddenly Discovered That He Was an "Episcopal."

Last summer Rt. Rev. Thomas U. Dudley, Episcopal bishop of Kentucky, thought he would make a journey through the mountains of eastern Kentucky and look up the scattered members of his flock and endeavor to get a foothold for his church among the mountaineers, says the New York Post. But as he journeyed from settlement to settlement without meet ing a man who had ever even heard of the Episcopal church he grew somewhat discouraged. At last he came to a village where, upon inquiry, he was told that there was "an Episcopal" in the neighborhood, and so the good bishop proceeded to look him up. After introducing himself and disclosing the object of his visit, Bishop Dudley asked the mountaineer if it were a fact that he was an Episcopallan.

"Oh, yes," replied he. "I'm an Epis-copal." "Where were you confirmed?" in-

quired the bishop. The poor man had never even heard the word. "Where, then, were you baptized?"

"I know all about that," replied he, "Not a championship belt," said Dobley, feebly: "nor a swimming belt, nor an athletic belt, nor an electric belt, but a belt—a feminine belt—21 inches. Please lead me to them."

"I know all about that," represented the precious few folks he in these parts, but I don't know er I was ever baptized or not."

"Then why do you call your "though precious few folks baptized in these parts, but I don't know wheth-

"Then why do you call yourself an Episcopalian?" continued the bishop. "Well, now, stranger, I'll tell ye," said he. "Some five or six years ago I was summoned down to Louisville as a witness in one of these 'moonshine' cases, you know. Well, we was kep' over Sunday, and after breakfast, as I knowed nobody thar and nobody knowed me, I tak a walk down the street, from my lodgin's, and directly I saw everybody goin' into a great big fine church, and sez I to myself, I'll go too. So I went in and sat down, and in a little while the bell it stopped a-jingling; thar was some kind of big music rolled around, and then is stopped, too, and a feller in a long white gown he got up at the other end of the room from me and said something or other I couldn't hear, and then every man, woman and child in that room got down on their knees and sez they: 'Oh, Lord, we've dun the things we ortn't to ha' dun, and we ain't dun the things we orter to ha' dun,' and sez I myself, that's me. I'm one of them very kind of fellers, and when we all cum out I asked a feller what kind of a church that thar wuz, and sed he: 'It's an Episcopal church,' and so, stranger, I've called myself an Episcopal ever since that trip to Louis-

He Got Forty-Seven Dollars. Parson Johnson-Bredren and Sisters: De collection to-night amounts to seven cents and an ole baggage check! It now becomes mah painful duty to inform yo' dat Prof. Drizzle, ob Yale, says de nirth will be drawn into de sun by Sunday next! Prof. Poke, ob Harvard, prophesies a collision wif a fixed star by nex' week, Tuesday! Prof. Slobbs, ob Princeton, say de bottom is gwine drop out ob de Atlantic ocean and bust things generally! Deacon Jackson will now pass de hat again fo' de benefit ob all unenlightened membahs wot may wish to die in de Lord!-

Enough in the Cow. Traveler-Here, walter, take this steak away, and give it to the poor. It's as tough as-Waiter (blandly)-We never 'ad no

complaints, sir.
"No; because that wretched old cow had 'em all."-Tit-Bits.

PUBLIC OPINION.

Opinions From Various Sources on Questions of Public Interest. President McKinley seems to have two backbones. One of chocolate eclair for the trusts, the other of ada-

mant and Harveyised steel for the Boer

peace envoys.-St. Louis Republic.

Is it not about time that the McKinley administration allowed the supreme court to pass upon the question of far the constitution extends and how much it amounts to, anyway?-Boston

The attempts of President McKinley to suppress the pernicious activity of federal officeholders reminds us of the strenuous effort of the average man who has picked up a \$20 bill in the street to discover the owner.-Richmond (Va.) News.

It is pleasant to see a president act as a conjuror, pouring out of the same bottle wine for the Americans, water for the Porto Ricans and vinegar for the Filipinos. All this is very interesting, no doubt. But it is not government by the people, for the people. It is plutocracy, thinly disguised with Democratic varnish.—The Public.

Neely thought Grosvenor, the president's mouthpiece, meant just what he said when he declared, amid tumultuous Republican applause, that we were in the colonizing business for the purpose of making "all the money we can out of the transaction." But he didn't think the major would go back on him in this measly way.-Johnstown Demo-

I think that all other questions are secondary to the questions of democracy as opposed to monarchy. Imperialism, expansion or whatever name we use, is the logical corpallary of monarchy, consequently a logical menace to democracy. Spain has no title in the Philippines that we had any right to respect. The purchasing power of money and the conquering power of the bullet can never give the Democrats right to coerce. There is no righteous government except self-gov-Any other government is tyranny. It may be benignant, but it is tyranny all the same,-Rev. Jenkin

Less than ten years ago it was confidently believed that war, of any considerable magnitude, was well nigh impossible; that mankind had so developed in the higher civilization that all differences betwee nations could be readily settled by arbitration, and that the enormous destructiveness of modern implements of warfare would deter all nations from yielding to the aggressive instinct. Today we find the whole world more or less convulsed with the war fever and ready to plunge into the destruction of human life on a comparatively slight provocation. Verily the times have changed.—Ruther-ford (N. J.) News.

Col. Guffey, who was chairman of the Pennsylvania delegation at the Kansas City convention, and with 68 votes back of him active and influential in its proceedings, states the political situation tersely in advising Democrats. "In this campaign," Col. Guffey says, "it is not a question of finance, but of preservation of the republic itself. Unless we maintain the republic as it stands today under the stitution the people would have no voice in monetary affairs or anything else. The duty of Democrats is clearly defined. If we cannot succeed with this platform and with Bryan and Stevenson as candidates, it will plainly show that the American people no longer want a democracy, but are in favor of an empire."-Pittsburg

We read the other day a letter in The Outlook from a correspondent in the Philippines bearing strong testimony to the profound and universal hatred of Americans by the Filipinos. He asures us that "every Filipino is at heart an insurrecto." He is quite confident that this state of things is due to too much "clemency" on the part of the United States. sclous satire of this is furnished in the estimate that we have killed over 20,-000 Filipinos since the war broke out and reported the killing of 600 the very week the correspondent wrote. We speak not in the interest of any party or any phase of politics, but in the name of our religion and of human brotherhood when we say that this is a sad and shameful chapter in the history of a great Christian people.-Universalist Leader.

Neither by the hazard of chance nor the conquest of battle can we take territory for part of our domain where, because of the peculiar conditions, the flag and constitution cannot have full play. It is all wrong for us to acquire territory where it is impossible for its people to have the same constitutional rights and liberties as our own citizens. De not depart from the doctrine of taxation with representation. This nation must not enter on a career of conquest. Love of money and con-quest must not be allowed to break down good government with its grand The nations of Europe may devour the weaker countries. Let us pursue a different mission in the world's history. It is not necessary for the United States to shoot, conquer and annex in the Orient in order to get its trade. Our greatest trade is with England. And was there ever talk of annexing that land? The best way to get the trade of Oriental countries is to send their people the best goods.-Senator Daniel.

Ten per cent of the 1,100 prisoners in the Manila prison are United States soldiers; and according to the warden they are the worst lot of men in the prison. Mr. Wheelock, the former private secretary of Gon. Merritt in the Philippines, has good grounds for say-The little brown men who received the United States army wth childish glee in 1898 now despise with an awful hatred the Americans and

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