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The Job department of the Press is complete and affords facilities for doing the best class of work. Particular attention paid to Law No paper will be discount.

paper will be discontinued ntil arrear-are paid, except at the option of the pub-Papers sent out of the county must be paid for in advance.

Women in France have just secured a slight addition to their They may henceforth be valid witnesses to registration of births, marriages, and deaths, and to the signatures in legal

The Charlotte Smith who wants to have Boston girls enlist for the Cuban war is the same person who desired to have marriage made compulsory. Char lotte ought to be put under bonds to keep the peace.

Prof. James E. Keeler, who has just been elected director of the Lick ob servatory to succeed Prof. Edward S Holden, was the discoverer of the facthat the rings of Saturn are composed of small satellites.

A gun tested near Washington recent ly threw a shell over ten miles, which neans that a hostile ship would be under fire for 20 miles in passing a bat tery. Such target practice will make it interesting for the ship.

Candles, candles everywhere. That is the lighting custom in Sweden, where one firm turns out for home use annually about 21,000,000 of candles of all from two to seven feet in length In the larger cities electricity has been introduced to a limited extent, but among the people candles are as much as ever a necessary household conven-

An official declaration as to what a "torpedo boat destroyer" is would relieve the uncertainty in the minds of many persons who are unable to decide whether a torpedo boat destroyer is boat that destroys other boats by means of torpedoes, a thing that destroys torpeac boats, a torpedo boat that destroys anything, or simply a torpedo that de-

When the men of science get squarely down to business they will doubtless be able to show that the human family mainly lives on bacteria and the mi crobe family. A London professor has just solemnly announced that "the aver age human being consumes 30,000 mi-crobes daily." The chances are that he has been doing that ever since Adam was in the Garden of Eden.

A little girl in a New York school screamed at the sight of a mouse. The children became panie-stricken and rushed screaming out of the room, the teacher ordered a fire drill, a fire alarm was rung in, distracted parents fought to enter the building and save their children from the supposed flames. And all for one small mouse. Rash is the man that dares to laugh at the feminine

Though 30 years have passed since Maximilian was shot in Mexico his brother, the emperor of Austria, always holds memorial services on June 19, the anniversary of that tragic event. At the castle of Miramar, near Trieste on the Adriatic, the rooms occupied b Archduke Maximilian before leaving for the new world are kept, by the emorders, just as his brother left them when he went to his death.

So much interest is at present being manifested in the United States army and navy that the relative rank of officers in the two branches of service is herewith given, lineal rank only being considered: General with admiral licutenant general with vice admiral major general with rear admiral, brigadier general with commodore, colon with captain, lieutenant colonel with commander, major with lieutenant com-mander, captain with lieutenant, first lieutenant with lieutenant (junior grade), second lieutenant with ensign.

The attorney-general of Colorado has law for women in that state dropping their maiden name on the simple ex-cuse of a wedding. The question calling for the decision came from a woman She asked under what name she should continue to exist officially, and was gratified with the announcement that she must sign all documents as be-fore marriage, for, the attorney-general says, "there is no authority for a change of name at marriage or any other time.

H. O. Weaver, of the United States commission of fish and fisheries, has sent a report to Wisconsin fishermen on fisheries of Lakes Michigan, Huror and Eric. He says that the herring catch of Lake Michigan for the last year was over 22,000,000 pounds. This great ly exceeds the production of any pre vious year covered by the commission reports, and for the first time in th herring catch on Lake Erie, where the The trout catch has been light currency

#### THE POWER OF CREDIT

Sound Money Essential to American Enterprise.

Secretary Gage Discourses Upon the Prime Requisites in Our Commercial Life-No Change of Standard.

The chamber of commerce of Pitts ourgh gave its annual banquet Saturlay, March 19, at which Lyman J. Gage, ecretary of the national treasury, was resent as the guest of honor and prin-ipal speaker. In his speech Mr. Gage ipal speaker. buched upon the many questions as

"Should a visitor from some alien planet there the conditions of life did not require nat man should eat his bread in the swea that man should eat his bread in the sweat of his brow, come to our country; should he here obtain a vantage ground where his eye could command its whole extent; could he thus observe the detailed movement of multiplied human activities, he would, if an intelligent and reasoning being, find occasion for both wonder and reflection. He would see everywhere, men toiling in the field, in the shop and in the factory. He would see trains of cars being loaded with the product of the forest, the mine, the factory, and the farm, or speeding away to discharge at some distant point their enormous burdens. In short, he would find our land a hive of industry.

"If this visitor were a reasoning being he would want to know how all this enormous exchange of labor for products and products for labor was accomplished. If he asked one of our inhabitants this question

sducts for labor was accomplished. If he ced one of our inhabitants this question ven one of more than average intelli-nce—the prompt answer would probably : 'Why, money does it. All these things exchanged for money, and money is ex-anged for all these things. Everybody ints money, because it will buy all these ngs, and everybody wants more or less these things, and money will buy them; refore everybody wants money.' Money is not the main active agent that

"Money is not the main active agent that operates to accomplish this enormous vo ume of production and exchange. It is tru that all exchanges are effected in terms (

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"It is my purpose to emphasize the superior power of credit in the affairs of men, and to consider briefly those influences which hinder or help its action. There is in sight in our country a volume of money—gold and silver alone considered, all forms of paper money themselves being credit instruments—something like \$1,000,000,000, but [Active papersons times like the present.] struments—something like \$1,000,000,000, but in fairly prosperous times, like the present, the volume of credits, operating in productivity and exchange, is equal to at least 18,000,000,000. If we can picture it as a stream or a river, we can fairly say the rise and fall of this stream registers industrial expansion or contraction. It is fed—this energizing stream—not from physical waters coming down from snowclad mountains. Its sources are in the minds of men.

tains. Its sources are in the minds of men.
"It is not a misuse of language to say, credit, with its multiform instruments, is the real money of commerce. As transactions increase, it increases; as industry halts, its volume is reduced. It is created as transfers of goods and wares take place. It expires or is canceled in final settlements through the bank or the clearing-house. It is always sufficient to itself.
"Whatever disturbs these general faiths and confidences unsettles commerce and disturbs industry. Unhappily, the disturbing influences are numerous, and by their interposition from time to time, suffering

ing influences are numerous, and by their interposition from time to time, suffering and ruin result. Wars, the fears of war, crop failures, widespread industrial revolts, shocks arising from the betraval or great fiduciary duties—these are some of the adverse influences. But none of these nor several of them associated, are as harmful as are the doubts and fears which arise from the apprehension of a radical commodities and all credits stand finally related.

Basis of Doctrine.

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"And yet we find a great party, in blind disregard of this fact, placing, as a foundation stone to their political doctrine, a proposition charged with the most destribe consequences to our commercial and industrial life. This proposition is urged upon the people with a fanatic zeal which would inspire admiration if enlisted in a useful or noble cause. But it is a zeal born out of nonreason, stimulated by prejudice and fed by passion.

"The farmer must employ labor, and yet carry the risk of droughts and floods and take his chance of the markets for his ultimate realization. The manufacturer must embark his fortune in his buildings and machines. He must employ labor and provide for its payment. The merchant is subject to the same general rules of action. The banker's relation—not less important—is perhaps more delicate and more involved than either of the others. Popularly supposed to be a dealer in money, he is so only in an incidental and necessary way. He is really a dealer in credit.

"And yet it is against these that the political leaders of discontent fulminate their burning denunciations. They claim that the money standard, to which for 60 years our industrial affairs have been related, is an oppression and a hindrance to prosper-

the money standard, to which for w years our industrial affairs have been related, is an oppression and a hindrance to prosperity. They charge that its maintenance is the result of a conspiracy born of 'insatiable sordid greed.' They seek to push our industrial social fabric from the good foundation of the world's money on to the shifting, uncertain sands of an obsolete silverism.

Era of Progress.

"In spite of the unsettling influence of their doctrines, which have again and again alarmed the forces that make for progress, which have more than once skin capital into hiding, crippled industry, and sent labor into idleness, the evidences are everywhere that we are in a state of progress, not decadence. Let me cite a few of the evidences: Within 25 years (according to them, the period of our decline) our population has increased 62 per cent. Wealth has increased in a ratio three times as great as the population. That the distribution of increased wealth has been general is proved by the savings banks, the number of whose depositors and their aggregated accumulations having grown ratable with the increase of wealth.

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\$2,000,000,000—has increased in its ratio to
population. During these 25 years the foreign commerce of Great Britain increased
13 per cent. that of the United States 51
per cent. Compared with Mexico, the idyllic land of the silverite, our export trade
has increased 118 per cent. against an inhas increased 118 per cent., against an in crease in Mexico of 27 per cent.

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"What of our domestic affairs? Our rail-hoads have increased in mileage from 70,-600 in 1873 to nearly 200,000 miles in 1877, with a reduction in cost of freight carriage of 65 per cent. The mileage of telegraph lines has, during the same period, increased from 154,000 miles to over 800,000 miles, with an average reduction in message toll of 40 per cent. The production of raw iron has increased from less than 2,000,000 tons per annum to about 12,000,000 tons; coal, from 47,000,000 tons to 180,000,000 tons; petroleum, from 6,000,000 barrels to 60,000,000 barrels.

Policy of Wisdom.

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"Do not the most common prudential considerations dictate adhesion to a money standard which has been contemporaneous with this great progress, if not an efficient factor therein? Benton and Jackson, more ears ago, argued its superiorit eir efforts the gold standard can

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capable of self-adjustment to the public needs.

"Can we not learn useful lessons from others? Is the experience of the world to be despised? Can the stern decrees carried by the laws of our economic life be successfully challenged? Can they be rescinded or repealed by the wild impulses of the inconsiderate?

"In a free social state the individual man is clothed with the power and responsibility of self-direction. His well-being depends upon his ability to comprehend and his willingness to obey the physical and moral laws with which nature has environed him. In a government like our own a similar power of self-direction exists. It is a high privilege and carries with it great responsibilities. Like the individual man, the nation's well-being depends upon its ability to discern and obey the economic and moral laws which environ it."

#### PROFESSOR MOMMSEN.

Peculiarities of the Great German Scholar.

Many of the stories about the extreme absent-mindedness of some unnamed German professor had their origin in tales actually told—perhaps with not much care in verification—of Prof. Theodor Mommsen, of Berlin, a great German historical scholar and liberal poli-

Although the herr professor recently passed his eightieth birthday, he is said to be still in the height of his productiveness, active and energetic, a writer a teacher and a causeur. He adopts the axiom of Goethe, which is not popular with most old men: "When a man is old he must do more than when he is young.

is certainly no more absentminded in his old age than he was when he was younger. He has a family of living children and several grandchildren, and has always been fond of them all and not averse to taking care of them; but woe to any infant of whom he might have charge if his mind became seized by scholarly preoccupa-

It is related that when his first child was a baby it was in his charge one day in his study. Wishing to make some inquiry from his library, he deposited the baby in the waste basket and forgot all about it; but presently the baby began to cry loudly.

At last the sound disturbed even the absent-minded student, whose thoughts were, and remained, on his study. Conscious only of a loud noise, he seized a quantity of loose papers and carefully covered the child with them to muffle

On another occasion-so the story goes-Prof. Mommsen was going in a street car from Berlin to Charlottenburg, taking with him his little son. By and by the boy began to wriggle about and make a great deal of noise. By this time his father was meditating profoundly. The boy's racket soon dis turbed his meditations. It seemed to the professor that it must be an ex-tremely ill-bred child that would make a disturbance in a public place; he would see if he could not quiet him; but first he would find out who he was.

"Little boy," he said, sharply, "what is your name?" Naturally the small boy thought it strange to be asked his name by his own father, but he responded, politely:

"The same as yours, sir."
"The same as mine!" The professor's attention was now aroused by this appeal to his ego, and the spell was broken. He took up his progeny, to the tremendous amusement of the people in the car, and gave him a good shaking.

## NOBLEMAN AND FRONTIERSMAN

The Greatest Hunting Expedition on Record.

-Youth's Companion.

Sir George Gore, a wealthy Irish sportsman, began in 1855 a hunting expedition among the Rocky mountains which occupied two years and exceeded anything of the kind ever seen on this continent. The outfit consisted of 50 persons, including secretaries, a steward, cooks, flymakers, dog tenders, servants, a train of 30 wagons and numerous saddle horses and dogs.

"Old Jim Bridger" was Sir George's guide and interpreter, and no man on the frontier knew the glens and passes of the mountains so accurately as he did. Though illiterate and as unconventional as an Indian, Bridger was honest, kind, generous and shrewdjust the man to attract the Irish sports-

In his "Old Santa Fe Trail" Col. Inman describes the companionship of the two men—one a rich, educated, whole-souled Irish nobleman, the other a man who from boyhood had lived on the plains, depending on his tact and rifle for food and life.

Sir George would lie in bed until ten o'clock in the morning; then he took a bath, ate his breakfast and set out generally alone for the day's hunt. It was not unusual for him to remain out until ten at night, and he seldom re-turned without "meat." His dinner was then served, to which he extended an invitation to Bridger.

After the meal was over Sir George

was in the habit of reading from some book and drawing out from Bridger his ideas about the author.

The Irishman usually read from Shakespeare, which Bridger "reckin'd

was too highfalutin" for him.
"Thet thar big Dutchman, Mr. Fullstuff," he commented, "was a leetle too

fond of lager beer."

Sir George read the "Adventures of Baron Munchausen" to Bridger, who reswallowed everything that thar baron said." He thought he was "a liar," yet acknowledged that some of his own adventures among the Blackfeet would be equally wonderful "if writ down in

Bridger thought Sir George a succes ful hunter, an opinion justified by the records of the two-years' hunt — 40 grizzly bears, 2,500 buffalo, numerous antelope and other small game.--Youth's Companion

Rivals.

Perdita-We have discovered that we are rivals, you know.
Tom Barrry—Ah, you both love the

same fellow?

by their alleged followers?
only in importance to a sound is a banking system adequate or both of us." Ainslee's Magazine.

#### ADMIRABLE CONFIDENCE.

The announcement of the Pope Manufacturing Company last week that they guaranteed to maintain list prices on Columbia, Hartford and Vedette bi-cycles, as published in their 1898 catalogue during the season ending October 1st, had a clarifying effect upon the trade atmosphere, and relieved the feeling of uncertainty and anxiety that had existed for some time, among both buyers and sellers, as nothing else could have done.

That a company which holds undisputed leadership as regards financial strength, the amount of capital invest ed, size of their plant, and the quantity and quality of their product, should at the very beginning of the season publiely proclaim their confidence in the outlook for the year's business and their belief that a discerning public would demand and be willing to pay for the best product of the cycle builder's art, is a fact that has given the trade cause for self-congratulation throughout the land, and will have a tendency to put to rout the pessimists who have been rushing into print with state-ments to the effect that no one knew where the bottom of the cycle market

these calamity howlers, and will not let the Spring slip by, with its beautiful days and fragrant air, waiting for low prices that can never come on the best wheels. The bicycle has become a staple article of commerce; to the vast majority of cyclists, a necessity, not a luxury. Just as there is a demand for jeans pants, shoddy made clothing, brogan shoes and calico dresses, there will also be a limited market for cheap and poorly made bicycles. But the great middle class of American citizens, who can afford meat three times a day and sugar in their coffee, those in the higher walks of life, and the leisure class, will look below the enamel of bicycles before purchasing. To these, quality will appeal as strongly as price, and they will only buy bicycles made by manufacturers whose reputation, facilities and business methods give stability to their guarantees.

Coming from the Pope Manufactur-ing Company, this unequivocal agreement to maintain list prices on their '98 product throughout the season, probably carries more weight than it would from any other source. By 21 years of fair dealing, the Pope Manufacturing Company have gained the full confidence of the riding public. The public has come to understand that this Company never acts rashly or unadvisedly, that they carefully weigh the "pros and cons" of any step before tak-ing it, but once having adopted a policy they have the ability and inclination to carry it out to the letter. Thinking cyclists will therefore conclude that the Pope Manufacturing Company must have ample and substantial assurance that there is a healthy demand for high grade bicycles built of the best material and manufactured carefully and correctly as to mechanical detail, by the most modern and improved machinery and well paid labor.

When it is known that up to March 1st, the Pope Manufacturing Company have shipped to their customers, over 3,000 Columbia Bevel Gear Chainless bicycles, this conclusion becomes a certainty.

## THE INGENIOUS MAN.

His Invention Was Forgotten in Time

He was a very ingenious man. He had made an invention which was of great value. He thought so, at least, if the world did not, and he had his invention patented. It was a combination camp-stool, cane and umbrella. The cane was the usual form of the invention. At a big parade nothing could be more convenient, and for an ordinary, unexpected rainstorm, what could be better? A man is sure to have his walking stick with him.

It was not so very long after the invention had been perfected that the man was out walking with his wife, and a sudden shower came up. There were no cars accessible, and the only thing to do was to run, and the unlucky pair did this with a vengeance, reaching the house hot, uncomfortable, and pretty wet.

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"Well, we are here at last," said the man, drawing a long breath of relief.

"Yes," said the wife, disconsolately, "but I think I have ruined my new bonnet. And, John Smith," she added, suddenly, with a little scream, "what do you think you have done? You had that old invention of yours—cane-camp-stool-umbrella affair—in your hand all the time ready for an emergency, and forgot to use it."

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The man tells the story, and thinks it is a great joke.—N. Y. Times.

## HE MEANT WELL.

But His Carelessness Got Him Into

But His Carelessness Got Him Into
Trouble with His Girl.

A young gentleman, whose gallantry was
largely in excess of his pecuniary means,
sought to remedy this defect and save the
money required for the purchase of expensive
flowers by arranging with a gardener to let
him have a bouquet from time to time in return for his cast-off clothes.

It thus happened one day that he received
a bunch of the most beautiful roses, which
he at once sent off to his lady love. In sure
anticipation of a friendly welcome he called
at the house of the lady the same evening
and was not a little surprised at the frosty
reception he met with.

"You sent me a note to-day," the young
lady remarked, after a pause, in the most
frigid tones.

"I—a note?" he inquired, in blank aston
ishment.

"Certainly; along with some flowers."

"And there was a note inside—do you still
mean to deny it?"

With these words she handed the dumfounded swain a scrap of paper, on which the
following words were written: "Don't forget the old trousers you promised me the
other day."—Tit-Bits.

Rough!

Rough!

Klondike Soubrette-Say, I'm getting tired of doing my dance here, on gold dust every night. Haven't you any

Stage Manager-Sorry, Maude, but tit's all gone. Did hev a big box full, but ther boys used it for chasers after swallowing frozen whisky. N Journal

She Took Him Up. He-I will love you through time and eternity. Give me hope.

She-All right, come around again in couple of thousand years - N. Y

#### A STEER'S STRANGE DEATH. His Horns Grew Through His Eyes and Killed Him.

A squatter in the back blocks of New South Wales had a young steer with horns so perfectly turned that they formed two artistic loops at the sides of his head. One day "Boss" straved with a mob of store cattle into a piece of wild country infested only by kan-garoos and the out-station boundary riders' families.

These cattle are rounded up and otherwise handled but once a year. Before this annual yarding took place "Boss" had become a fractious terror o every animal and man in that range. He had terrified and scattered the herd that was once his mates; he had charged madly every kind person who was wont to pat him. Because his horns curled like those of a sheep he was called "Sheep Head." His mild, tractable nature added to this delusion of likening him to a lamb. Six months after his entrance upon the range he began to act strangely. A wild look shot out of his eye under the points of the ingrowing horns, whose shadow fell heavier and heavier upon the retina. He constantly shook his head, as if trying to rid himself of some annoy-ance. Then "Boss" would stand and stare at the points which were pressing the pupils nearly up against the sock-He became more irritable and unfriendly. He roared, stamped, shook his crazed head and stared at the creep-

ing things before his vision.

At last "Boss" went mad and bellowed through the night like an enraged demon. He chased everything in sight, and viciously dashed himself against the forest trees. The mere tramp of a foot angered him. The points of the horns were cruelly pressing his helpless eyes back in their sock-ets, and every jar upon the ground tortured his brain and enraged him. "Boss" had scattered the mob of his ruminating mates and had so terriorized the few people about that fences did not give a sense of security. Women and children lived in mortal dread of the unfortunate beast.

At length his maddened roar was heard no more. About a month after that the out-boundary rider went out with dogs and a Winchester rifle to end the suffering of "Sheep Head Boss. After searching for two days the bullock was found. "Boss" was dead. He was lying under a clump of acacia, less sweet than their blossoms. He had evidently been dead for a week or more and had been blind for months. The horns had grown into the eyes and almost touched the bone of the skull be-The head of the poor beast was

hind. The head of the poor beast was as strange an object as ever was seen. The horns of "Boss" were never curved by any art. They grew as nature directed their fatal tips, and, unless sent to the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, England, the preserved head still hangs upon the door of the Darling out-station, where "Boss" lived and died.—Washington Star.

Whenever we hear the women talk indignantly because another woman is spoiling her husband, we hunt him up to congratuate him.—Atchison Globe.

Success and surprise of the su

Dixon-"I don't believe young Shortleigh is half as extravagant as people say he is."
Hixon—"Perhaps not, but I've noticed that he has a suit of clothes for every day in the week." Dixon—"Is that so? Why, he always had the same suit on every time I met him." Hixon—"Well, that's the one."—Chicago News.

At the Play.—Kippax—"You seem very much affected at the tragic fate of Juliet, Miss Sniffen: I thought I saw tears in your eves." Miss Sniffen—"Yes, Mr. Kippax, it does seem so sad to think that the lady who played Juliet is not really dead!"—Truth.

Diggs—"Hanks doesn't seem to have any pity for the unfortunates of this great city." Figgs—"From what do you judge that?" Diggs—"I saw him put a 40-page Sunday paper into the slot of the hospital box."—Harlem Life.

There is not plenty of room at the top; and it takes an acrobat to stick on after he gets there.—Detroit Free Press.

The Duelists' Danger .- "We'll sthand back The Duensts Danger.—"We'll sthand back ter back, count tin, walk sivin stips, thin tur-rn roun' and foire." "Thot's all roight enuff, Doolin, but whot guaranty hov Oi yez won't kick me when me back's turned?" —Life.

-Life.

"That man Williams never lost his head in a football game yet, did he?" "No, I think not. He's lost an ear, part of his nose, eight teeth; but I do not remember ever hearing of his losing his head."—Tit-Bits.

Mrs. A.—"I think your husband is a very quiet dresser." Mrs. B.—"H'm! You might change your opinion if you heard him looking for his clothes some mornings."—Browning, King & Co.'s Monthly.

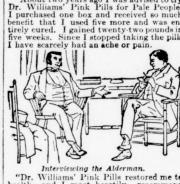
Another Question.—"He has a bright future ahead of him." "But do you really think he'll ever catch up with it?"—Puck.

Some people are so slow that they irritate other people to go too fast and fall overboard.—Detroit Free Press.

#### GAINED 22 POUNDS IN 5 WEEKS

From the By-Stander, Macomb, Ill.

From the By-Stander, Macomb, Ill.
Alderman Louis W. Camp, of our city, has quite astonished his friends of late, by a remarkable gain in weight. He has gained 22 pounds in five weeks. Those of his friends who do not know the facts of his sickness will read with interest the following:
"I was broken down in health and utterly miserable," said Mr. Camp to our reporter.
"I was unable to work much of the time and so badly afflicted with a form of stomach trouble that life was a veritable nightmare.
"I tried various remedies, but during the six months of my sickness I obtained no relief. I had always been a robust, healthy man and sickness bore heavily upon me.
"About two years ago I was advised to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I purchased one box and received so much benefit that I used five more and was entirely cured. I gained twenty-two pounds in five weeks. Since I stopped taking the pills I have scarcely had an ache or pain.



Interviewing the Alderman.
"Dr. Williams' Pink Pills restored me to health, and I most heartily recommend them."

L. W. Camp on oath says that the foregoing statement is true. W. W. MELOAN, Notary Public.

Following is the physician's certificate as to Mr. Camp's present condition:

I am a regularly licensed physician of Macomb, McDonough County, Ill. I have very recently examined Mr. L. W. Camp as to his general physical condition, and find the same to be all that could be desired, appetite and digestion good, sleeps well, and has r'll the evidences of being in a good physical condition.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of September, 1897.

W. W. MELOAN, Notary Public.

#### A REALLY INTELLIGENT JURY.

The Verdict Was in Accordance with

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"It was the funniest thing I ever saw in a courtroom," laughed the veteran of the bar, who was enjoying an informal smoker with his brethren. "I was in the new west then, trying to get a good start. One of the residents had mysteriously disappeared, and his wife was arrested under a suspicion that she might be responsible for the fact. I defended her.

"On the stand she was simply irrepressible. I only got to ask her one question.

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"On the stand she was simply irrepressible. I only got to ask her one question. That was more than plenty. She talked precisely as though she were wound up and could not stop until the mainspring was completely relaxed. In the midst of her tirade she was interrupted by an inquiry by one of the jurors.

"Who are you talkin' to, Bill Spriggins," she shouted. 'I don't 'low no cattle like you to be quizzin' me. Ef you don't know how to treat your betters, I'll learn you, you pin-headed coyote. Ef my husband was here he'd perferate you mighty quick, and I know it. But I kin take care of myself ef I am a lone woman. I'm here to tell what I know, and I'm goin' to do it if it spills blood.'
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blood."
"There was no staying her deluge of words and the judge was at last driven by sheer desperation to tell the jury to retire and do the best it could with the facts in its posses-

"When the jury came back Bill Spriggins, "When the jury came back Bill Spriggins, as foreman, stood up to give the verdict. We find,' he said, 'that this here man Meekham has diserpeared at the han's of some persing or persings unknown. We find further that we are unanermous in surspectin' as how he mighter been talked to death by his said wife. It took the sheriff and all his deputies to hold her."—Detroit Free Press.

## NOT AN ART ELEVATOR.

One Girl Who Was Satisfied to Paint

One Girl Who Was Satisfied to Paint Pictures.

The art student shook her head in whimsical protest. She has just come back from six years' study in the Paris studios, where she had the reputation of being a talented, conscientious and ambitious worker.

"I am glad to be at home again," she said; "but everybody takes things so seriously over here. At least the girl art students do. They haven't the pluck to get down at the bottom and dig away on first principles in a way that every Frenchman thinks perfectly natural; but they are awfully busy with ideals. They belong to clubs for elevating all sorts of things. I've been buttonholed on every corner by people who want me to join clubs. The day I got into my studio some of my old friends came to see me, girls I had worked with before I went abroad. They all looked deadly serious, and of them struck a Curtius-dedicating-his-life-to-his-country pose and said solemnly:

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emnly: "Margaret, we need you. You must help us elevate American art."
"I just tucked a pillow behind my head and said: 'I'll be hanged if I do. I'm going

and said: Till be hanged if I do. I'm going to paint pictures.
"They are terribly disappointed in me. I don't breakfast until ten. I can't do honest hard work, with my best force, on less than ten hours' sleep, and so I take it; but it seems nobody can elevate art and sleep in the mornings. I'm willing to give up my swell studio and go over on Tenth avenue to live in one room and work as I please rather than paint things I don't believe in because they would sell; but I'm using what nerve force I have on my work, and so the girls think I am unregenerate. Club me no clubs. My club is a maul stick."—N. Y. S.

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—Rural New Yorker.

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