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In Prussia 413 school children under 15 years of age have committed suicide within the space of ten years. Three hundred and thirty-seven of them were boys and 76 girls.

The Americans are the greatest travelers in the world. In the United States a train runs 13 miles annually for every man, woman and child in the country; in England, 8; in Germany, 41/2; in Belgium, 31/2.

A New Jersey man, who is suing for divorce, says in his petition that his wife has made only one taploca pucding during all of their married life This is a pretty strong proof that the hady doesn't like tapioca herself.

Ex-Empress Eugenie on the Spanish-American war is very interesting. She has confided to the American wife of one of our peace commissioners that, though she (Eugenie) is a Spaniard, she thought our war was justifiable un-der the circumstances.

Ours is the greatest producing and exporting nation in all the world. Hitherto we have held at best second place to Great Britain. This year, with our exports amounting to \$1,230,000,000 we leave even Great Britain behind by more than \$60,000.000.

Having had his fleet augmented by two monitors. Admiral Dewey cables that he can hold the Philippines against the world. That he could have held them without the monitors no one doubts; but while the game is lagging we may as well get two more men in the king row.

Ex-Gov. Flower, of New York, recent sent \$100 to the Salvation Army When jokingly asked if he meant to enroll under Gen. Booth's banner Mr. Flower bluntly replied: "No, sir; but I do belong to the great Christian army, and I don't care what flag they march under so long as they are bound to the cross.'

There is an impending famine in Russia, the ezar has already given \$350, 000 to the relief fund, and it is now said that American will soon be asked to give from her bountiful store. The world knows that America is as great in charity as she is in war, and when famine stricken all countries turn their eyes toward the United States.

There are two curious coincidences in connection with the Mary Washing-ten hospital at Fredericksburg, Va., ground for which has been broken. George Washington Smith, who was born on Washington's birthday, drew the plans, and George Washington, who also first saw the light on February 22, will superintend the work of building.

The official records of the rebellion, comprising 111 volumes with an aggregate of 118,216 pages, have just been completed. The work of the compilation and publication of those records has required 24 years, and the set un-

Imperialism the Keynote of His Address.

He Briefly Reviews the History of the Country and Submits His Views on the Policy that Ought to be Pursued by the United States with Regard to Its Newly-Acquired Possessions.

Buffalo, Dec. 28 .- The banquet hall of the Elliott club was filled on Fri-day night with one of the largest day hight with one of the largest gatherings ever seen at a club dinner in Buffalo. The speaker of the even-ing was Dr. Chauneey M. Depew, His subject was "1898" and his speech, eloquent and polished, was devoted chiefly to argument in favor of territorial expansion. John G. Milburn, the other speaker, replied effectively a short address. Following is Dr. De-pew's speech in part: Mr. President and Gentlemen-In

1860, in the full flush of youthful en-thusiasm, I spoke in Buffalo for Abraham Lincoln. I was full of the feel-ing that James Buchanan and his cabinet were contemplating treason against the United States. Subse-quent events verified the frightful charges which fell from the lips of the impassioned young speaker, but that night he lay awake, fearing that when the libel suit was brought by president and his secretaries he might not be able to secure the evidence to sustain the charges. Youth does not get a due sense of propor-tion. At that time Buffalo was not a factor in the public opinion of the country of great importance, and the orator was of no importance at all. Since that time Buffalo and I have both got on fairly well. One hundred and nine years ago

George Washington was elected first president of the United States. The young republic was overwhelmed with debt, had no manufactures, no com-merce and few resources. It was torn with the dissensions and jealousies of the thirteen original states which composed it. Washington gave eight years as president to fix this republic upon firm foundations and to enable from them to grow into the full fruition for its people of "the equal-ity of all men before the law" and the If you an inclusion before the law and the full enjoyment in practical life of the philosopher's reflection that "all men are created equal, with certain in-alienable rights, among which are life liberty and the purpuli of harpin life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness." These principles suffered many vicissitudes and nearly wrecked our government several times. Their first complete recognition was in the emancipation proclamation of Abraham Lincoln, and the seal upon their practical enforcement was affixed and stamped with the hilt of the sword of Frant at Appomattox.

For 33 years, from the close of the American liberty and opportunity. In 1898 we are reaping the full benefits of the fruitage of this grand experi-

ment. By a marvellous series of provi dences we are now in possession of vast territories, peopled by alien races in various degrees of civilization, in regard to which there have thrust upon us the gravest rebeen sponsibilities. Our success in their overnment depends upon the faith-al application of these same ofttried and ever-successful principles, which have been worked out in such a marvelous way in our own history. There is a large school of historical criticism which depreciates Washing-

ton as a man of ordinary ability guided by the brilliant minds about him and incapable on his own ac-count of the initiative which is the quality of genius. It is because Washington is not only beyond all parallels, as I have said before, but he does not come within the rules by which the leaders of mankind have been judged. Hannibal was supreme-ly great as a general, but failed as a statesman. Napoleon was supremely great as a conqueror, but failed as an administrator in the conservation of his conquests for the glory of his country. Genius is commonly be-lieved to be the possession of a fac-

President Cleveland for war would have been accepted. But in 1898 the purpose of Washington is accomplished. We have a war with Spain, and France would help her because she owns Spanish securities, because of tal and energy. The development of ties of blood and because of relations of contiguity; Russia, Germany, and bounds, because it deserves, by Italy, Austria would help her for dy-its location, its elimate, the richness nastic considerations. England alone stands aloof; England refuses to join its forests, its title of the "Gem of the average and the bare the provide the section of the sol, its mineral possessions and stands aloof. England refuses to join in an effort to have the navies of the world intervene; England alone says, "if you intervene without us we will be with our navy on the side of the United States." The closing days of 1898 witness a fraternal relation and complete understanding between the English-speaking peoples the world. It sees Am Great Britain together the America of and controlling powers for civiliza-tion, for liberty and for com-merce. If, as I believe, those who have gone before in their spirit lives follow in the family those they love and in affairs the things in which they were interested, Washington has the gratification of seeing the prophetic purpose of his maligned intentions of 796 fulfilled in 1898 The evolution of the administration

of the affairs of the American repubc has been for 100 years toward na-onal supremacy. Hamilton's remtional supremacy. Hamilton's rem-edy has worked the cure of state rights. From the war of 1812 came to the presidency its hero, Gen. Jack-son. His prestige and personality enabled him to suppress the South Carolinian assertion of the original deathing area per hearing John C doctrine, came near hanging John C Calhoun, and condensed in an epigram the philosophy of the future. "By the Eternal," said the old soldier, "the Federal Union, it must and it shall be preserved." By the war with Mexico in 1846 our coun-try acquired vast territories, organized for them governments and ad-ministered them from Washington for years without regard to the wishes of the inhabitants. With the close of the civil war, during which Abraham Lincoln was both president and commander-in-chief, Federal power began to rapidly crystallize in the president. Now, in 1898, at the close of the Spanish war, the presi-dent of the United States possesses and exercises an authority beyond that of any ruler in the world except beyond he czar of Russia, and without ques ion from any source. From Washington to McKinley we

ave evoluted from the weakest form of federaton to the most concentrated one of executive centralization. Just here the difference between American liberty and autocracy or hereditary sovereignty in any form becomes brilliantly conspicuous. The becomes brilliantly conspicuous. The majestic presidential office, with its the end of every four years is sur-rendered to the people. The office remains, the power remains, the man is eliminated. The people again and gain select the chief magistrate to whom they shall confide this tremenlous responsibility.

We face at this Christmastide ques-ions as vital to the future of our country as any which in the past have been met and successfully answered. The federation of Washington in 1798 has developed into the United States of 1898, with that inherent power which is always attached to national sovereignty, of acquiring territory by conquest or cession. No constitu-tional lawyer will doubt this power. do not think any body of constitu-ional lawyers will doubt that lawyers tional among the reserved powers of sovreighty, which belong to us as a na-ion, is the right to administer the affairs of territories acquired by conquest or by cession, under such form of government as congress and the executive may prescribe. But to great numbers of wise and good people, to govern any of the possessions of the inited States, except as the people rould govern themselves, seems illogi-al and contrary to the Declaration of endence and the constitution of hited States. War is illogical. It turn the existing order of things. That the fleet of Admiral Cervera, com-ing out of the harbor of Santiago and of the suspicious looking individuals offer us for sale hair that might have equal strength, should have been sunk In thirteen minutes, with a loss of half its officers and crews, while the American fleet lost but one man and eceived no damage to any vessel is illogical. It is against the traditions of war. That Dewey, with six cruis-ers, should have sailed unharmed past the forts in Manila bay and captured and destroyed thirteen Spanish menof war without the loss of a man is illogical, according to the calculations war. Destiny logic. knows no Providence, in the wise purposes which it has for nations, makes the precedents and conditions from which lone the logic of these conditions can argued. We make war against a foreign power, and for the first time in the history of the world solely for humanity. The world cannot under-stand, and the world stands by to neer and scoff. To maintain order n Cuba until her people shall be able to maintain a stable government of liberty and law, is humanity. To in-corporate Porto Rico in our domain, relieve its citizens from oppression and give them good government, is humanity. To permit the bloody hand of Spain to again grasp the throat of 10,000,000 of Filipinos, or to pass them over to the tender mercies of European governments, would be inhuman would be refusing cowardly, it the mission which Providence has dis tinctly forced upon us. We must judge of the future of these posses We must ions, not by the oppressions which they have suffered, but by the liberty which they will enjoy. We have the opinion of Dewey, one of the greatest men whom this war has developed, and of Gen. Merritt, a wise observer, that when the inhabitants of the Philippine islands appreciate what Amerian protection and law mean they will ecome one of the most obedient, lawbecome so extremely cordial and become one of the most obedient, law-friendly toward us, the challenge of abiding and productive populations

in the world. The vast trade of Cuba which heretofore went to Spain and to Europe, will now come to us, and be enormously increased by Ameri-cans, who will flock there with capiits forests, its title of the "Gem of the Antilles." The \$34,000,000 of exports from Porto Rico, of which all but \$4,-000,000 has gone to Spain, will now come to us, enhanced many fold by American enterprise and immigra-tion. The Philippines to the United States, like Java to Holland, under the inspiring influences of American opmspiring influences of American op-portunity, of American school: and American hope, will be an immense market and a large source of revenue over and above the cost of administration for the United States. Our gov-ernment, firmly planted, will not only enter the "open door" of the Orient for the products of our fields and our factories, but when the great boot of Uncle Sam is put in the crack of the door which continental nations would lose, there will be no musket jammed rpon that boot to compel its withdrawal Dr. Depew closed amid great ap-

plause at 10:45 o'clock, having spoken for one hour and fifteen minutes.

HUMOROUS.

"The vane on the church steeple says the wind is east." "Well, that is pretty high authority."—Boston Commercial Bulletin.

Trainer—"Hit him like a nail." Pugi-list—"Like a nail?" Trainer—"Yes; on the head."—Syracuse Herald.

"And yet, I trow," the actor cried, Emerging from the wing-But the gallery it rose on masse, And didn't trow a ting. -Detroit Journal.

"We are worried about Julia: she got out of a sick bed to go to the matine. "How could she?" "She had to go; sh "She had to go; she had a ticket."-N. O. Times-Democrat. A West Union woman called in the loctor to see her husband, not because he seemed sick, but because he didn't vant to go to the circus .-- West Union

Gazette. "I have never met," he said, "more than two really lovely women." "Ah!" she said, looking up innocently into his lace, "who was the other?"—Chicago Journal

The Day After .-- Grogan-"I'm feeling terrible to-day." Horgan-"Con-gratulate you, old boy. You must have ad a mighty good dinner yesterday."

-Boston Transcript. A Play on Words.—"Yes," she said, A Play on Words.—"Tes," she said, oitterly, "you loved me then—and now!" She paused and sighed. "It is merely a revised passion," he calmly replied. "I still love you now and then" -Cleveland Plain Dealer.

had this morning on the 'Increase of Sordid Commercialism.'" Assistant Editor—"Yes, the old man wrote it himelf, after one of our best poets notified him that we would get no more verse unless we paid something for it."--Cin-

NO MARKET FOR STOLEN HAIR.

A Dealer's View of the Stories of Girls Whose Braids Disap-

A reporter for the Sun asked a dealer in human hair whether men in his ine bought the braids reported from

time to time to have been clipped from young girls' heads in the streets and lsewhere. He smiled and said: "Many people think so, but they are mistaken. If we did purchase the hair, we would not give 50 cents for the pret-tiest braid. Some people labor under the impression that a head of beautiful tresses is worth \$25 or \$50. There are in the large cities houses that buy women's hair, but it is my opinion that very little of the hair cut suddenly from a woman's head finds its way to them. tes the injunction of the Great The prices paid for such goods are so s the injunction of the orear. "Peace on earth, good will to Revolutions are illogical. They in the existing order of things, in the existing order of things. lashed from a woman's hea None has ever entered our place. Perons with hair gotten legitimately some times call to sell it, but we cannot us human hair dressers get their hair in this way. Look at this hair. That is the only form in which we buy it. Most of the hair used n this country comes from France here women cultivate beautiful hai or the purpose of selling it. Agents go from house to house pay trivial sums for it, and then skillfully cut t off. Then it is sent to factories where goes through various processes ore it is ready for the market. This hair I have in my hand is all of the same length. The fine and strong hair and the coarser and most feeble and th ong and short must be separated. All must be uniform. These are the reason then, why we could not utilize hair jus cut off." "Do persons ever sell you dead peo le's hair?" We have had such callers. But as

CHARGES FALSE. Rheumatism

Polygamy is Not Encouraged by the Mormon Church.

resident Snow, of the Church of Latter Day Saints, is Opposed to Piural Marriages—Election of Roberts a Secular Affair.

Salt Lake, Utah, Dec. 30.—In con-nection with the election of B. H. Roberts to congress and certain charges circulated by the Presbyterian Board of Missions, President Lor-enzo Snow, of the Mormon church, furnished a statement to an afternoon paper here yesterday in which he says in part: "I declare most solemnly in part: "I declare most solemnly and emphatically that the statement which are being published to the ef-fect that the Mormon church is encouraging and teaching polygamy are utterly untrue. Ever since the issu-ance of the manifesto on this subject by President Wilford Woodruff, my predecessor in office, polygamous or plural marriages have entirely ceased n Utah.

"Since my accession to the presi lency of the church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints I have re-peatedly asserted my intention to stand by that manifesto and my determination not to permit any marriage to take place under sanction of the church which is contrary to the aw of the state, and I now reaffirm "The implied understanding with

the nation when Utah entered the Union as a state has been sacredly observed. There is no intention or disposition on the part of the caucal to violate or depart from it in the future. The enabling act required approbation in the legislature of the state of Utah that polygamous or plu-ral marriages should be forever prohibited. Laws have been framed in support of this constitutional amendment. Heavy penalties are provided for in case of their violation.

"The election of Mr. B. H. Roberts to the office of representative in congress from Utah was an entirely secular affair. Non-Mormons participa-ted in his nomination in the regular convention of his party. Non-Mor-mons also aided in his election. Many Mormons not being of his party voted for his opponent. He was elected as an American citizen by American cit-izens and the question of religion did not enter into the purely political contest. The church has nothing to do with the action of congress in **re**-lation to his seat. If, however, notice is to be taken of the wild statement and anti-Mormon fulminations in the pulpit and the press to the effect that Mr. Roberts has violated the state leg-islation and the requirement of the enabling act, it is proper for me to state, as I do most positively, that the charge which incidentally effects the church of which we are both mem pers is entirely without foundation in fact. "There has been no polygamous

marriages since 1890. There is movement in the church for the is no vival of such unions. I am personally opposed to any such change. My as-sociates in the leadership of the church unite with me in this determination. The excitement that has been caused during the last few weeks is without reason, and it appears to me without excuse."

THAT BANK ROBBERY.

Much Excitement in Lima Over the Theories Advanced. Lima, O., Dec. 30.—Great indignation exists here over the investigation of the robbery on Christmas night of the American national bank. Detectives have been set at work on the theory that the robbery was by those having knowledge of the combinations and that the time lock was left unset, accidentally or otherwise. Vice Presi dent Michael has heretofore exoner Vice President Michael has heretofore exoner-ated those connected with the bank. Cashier Kalb says he has labored for years to build up the bank and holds \$33,000 of stock. While the solidity of the bank is not affected by the robbery of over \$13,000, yet the stock is affected and some who are now be-ing accused in some quarters are the heaviest losers. There is much agita-tion and excitement over the theories nt over the theorie advanced by detectives While expressing the fullest confi-dence in their officers, yet it was deemed best with the feeling running high to reorganize the Ameri-can national bank. The directors accondingly last night accepted the res ignations of President Goldsmith Goldsmith, ignations of President Goldsmith, Vice President Michael and Cashier Kalb and elected in their stead the following: President, Theodore Mayo; vice president, R. W. Thriff; eashier, E. A. Holland. The directors also charged up the loss of the \$18,000 robbery to the capital stock and or-dered an assessment of 15 per cent.

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Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Ma Hood's Pills dure sick headache. 25 cents.

Hood's Pills cure sick headache. 25 cents. Swift Retribution. There was a wicked leer in Meandering Mike's eye as he saw the little grit coming out of the restaurant side door, carrying a small tin pail. "The idea!" he exclaimed to his comrade, "of incouraging sich luxuries in de young." "It's our duty to stop it," was the rejoinder. Before the little grit could turn the corner the tramp loomed up beforg her and exclaimed: "Th soury, lady, but I couldn't see ye carryin' dat pail any furder It's agin me gallantry." The little grit be gan to cry. Mike seized the bucket and in a moment had the bottom of it pointed to ward the blue sky. The effect was volcanic. Foam flew in all directions. His one ejacu-lation solved the mystery: "Soap sud?" And when the restaurant proprietor came out and desired to know why his children could not blow soap bubbles without being interfered with the victim of poetic justice had not a word to say.—Washington Star.

The Cornfed Philosopher.

"The successful statesman," said the Cornfed Philosopher, "must be able to stand a great deal while he is running, not to men-tion the ability to lie at the same time."-Indianapolis Journal.

Many People Cannot Drink

Many People Cannot Drink coffee at night. It spoils their sleep. You can drink Grain-O when you please and sleep like a top. For Grain-O does not stimulate; it nourishes, cheers and feeds. Yet it looks and tastes like the best coffee. For nervous persons, young people and children Grain-O is the perfect drink. Made from pure grains, Get a package from your grocer to-day. Try it in place of coffee. 15 and 25c.

Some Still Semi-Civilized.

Some Still Semi-Civilized. There is still a demand for about 25,000,002 paper collars in the United States each year. The paper collar is the connecting link be-tween collarless barbarism and decently at-tired civilization.—Boston Transcript.

California.

California. Should you desire information regarding rates and through sleeping car routes, first class and tourist, to California address the undersigned. The Southern Pacific Com-pany's famous Sunset Limited leaves New Orleans every Monday and Thursday and traverses a country where the rigors of our Winter and Spring are unknown. W. J. Berg, T. P. A., S. P. Co., 220 Ellicott Sq., Buffalo, N. Y., or W. H. Connor, C. A., S. P. Co., Chamber Commerce Bldg., Cincin-nati, Ohio.

Nothing for Baby to Pull.

"Mean? He's the meanest man I even snew," she asserted. knew

knew," she asserted. "In what way?" "Why, his wife says that the very day after their baby was born he shaved off his Dice, long beard and hasn't worn one since --Chicago Post.

Holiday Reduction.

Holiday Reduction. For the Christmas and New Year Holi-days the C. A. & C. R'y will sell low-rate excursion tickets to all points on its linea and to prominent points on connecting lines. Tickets on sale December 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 30th and 31st, 1898, and January 1st and 2nd, 1899, good returning until Jan-uary 3rd, 1899. Ask agents for particulars. C. F. Daly, Gen'l Pass. Agt., Cleveland, O.

An Easy Deduction.

Wise-Gayboy's wife must be a very beau-ful, fascinating woman. Callow-She is. Have you seen her? "No, but their maid is very pretty."-N. tifu Y. Journal.

Coughing Leads to Consumption.

Kemp's Balsam will stop the Cough at once. Go to your druggist to-day and get a sample bottle free. Large bottles 25 and 50 cents. Go at once; delays are dangerous.

A Future New Woman,

Teacher-Mollie, what is the most intel-ligent beast? Mollie-Man.-Indianapolis Journal.

Bad feet from frost-bites are made sound By St. Jacobs Oil. It cures.

We commonly cut our eye-teeth on some-hing harder than a rubber ring.-Detroit thing ha

The Public Awards the Palm to Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar for coughs. Pike's Toothache Drops Cure in one minute. The boy with made-over trousers takes after his father.-Golden Days.

The pain of sciatica is cruel. The cure by St. Jacobs Oil is sure. It penetrates.

The stingy man's dollars are what you might call close quarters.-Golden Days.

Caller-"That was a fine editorial you

innati Enquirer.

pear Suddenly.

doubtedly constitutes the most expen sive series of books ever published. Up to June 30 last there had been expended on the work \$2,625,088.50, or something like \$235,000 per volume.

Mrs. Harriet R. P. Stanford, of Cot tage City, Mass., has presented to the government the flag carried by John Paul Jones' frigate, the Bon Homme Richard, during her famous battle with the British Serapis on September 23 1779. Mrs. Stanford has decumentary evidence to the fact that this flag is the first stars and stripes ever hoisted over an American man-o'-war and that it was the first ever saluted by a fareign naval power.

The Garton Brothers, of England, are agricultural scientists likely to make a figure in the world. They have doubled the yield of Fife wheat by crossing it with an Asian variety, increased a barley head with two rows to six rows, crossed English and Jap-anese oats until 50 pounds to the bushel is the yield, and not only crossed white and red clover, but made red clover a perennial. The benefactor who pro-duced two blades of grass where one grew before is distanced by these experiments

During the recent blizzard in the east, which blockaded railroads and SUS pended all traffic for days, Rev. George R. Cutten walked from his pastorate in Montervese, Conn., to New Haven, where he delivered an address before 800 Yale students on "Giving as an Aid to Christian Crowth." Five miles the walk was through snow drift thich teamsters had found an absolute barrier against passage. Rev. Cutten it must be remarked, played center rush on the Yale football team this sea-

ulty which amounts to inspiration in some one field of human endeavor. Because of Washington's full-rounded and perfected talents in every field which he entered, extreme criticism places him among the moderate men

of his time. The people of the United States were venomously enraged against Great Britain and wildly enthusiastic for France because of the help she had given us in the Revoluionary war. They were determined to form an alliance with France, of-tensive and defensive, in the wars which she was waging against all Eu which she was waging against all Eu-rope after the French revolution, Washington saw, almost alone, that such an alliance with France, who was so involved that she could not help us and against England, all-pow-

erful, all around us, would lead to destruction of the young republic. He saw, further, that in the evolution of the century the English-speaking nations of the world, with their common language and similarity of laws literature and institutions, must grow closer together in the recognition of their common destiny and in importance of their common adship. He made the treaty of the riendship. 796, a treaty in which all dispute between Great Britain and he United States should thereafter be settled by arbitration. It was only by his personal power that he secured its ratification. It has re-mained practically a dead letter for 100 years. In spite of it we had the war of 1812 with Great Britain; in spite of it the action of the Detail spite of it, the action of the British government during our civil war was such that, except that our hands were tied, we would have fought would have fought gain; in spite of it, during the Venezuelan controversy four years ago, f the people of Great Britain had not

such hair is weak and brittle, it can not be used in our business." "How do you account for these hair lipping stories?" "We have our own opinions. Some

times girls get tired of combing and caring for their hair. Their parents do not allow them to cut it off The do not allow them to cut it out. The next thing they know some villain has come along and clipped it off, according to the girl's story. She may have done the clipping and hidden away the braid. there may be legitimat cases of braid stealing or clipping for revenge, spite or malice; but as for professional hair stealers, never. A I said before, there is nothing in it. have yet to hear of anyone being a rested with stolen human hair in his possession; that is, hair clipped from

Opposed to Expansion.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 30.—United States Senator White left yesterday for Washington. In an interview with a reporter regarding the Philippine juestion he said: "I am utterly op posed to the acquisition of distant and barbaric lands. It appears to me foolbarbaric lands. It appears to me fool ish to embark on a line of polic which we heretofore have never done policy It is my honest conviction that the arrying out of the expansion question will prove disastrous to the public. The result may be postpo or years but it will be reached if we bandon our precedents."

Bribery Investigation Ended.

Chicago, Dec. 30.—The grand investigation of bribery in the inry ouncil is at an end. After a day and a half of earnest effort the grand jury a nail of earliest entry the grand jury was unable to develop any evidence upon which to base indictments. Nearly every member of the eity council was before the grand jury during the day and at the end of the local react. Excempt Gookin of the work Foreman Gookin, of the jury, said: "We found no tanday grand jury, said: "We found no tan-gible evidence of bribery or attempted bribery and the investigation is practically closed unless something definite comes to the surface to-day."

RELIEF FROM PAIN.

Women Everywhere Express their Gratitude to Mrs. Pinkham.

firs, T. A. WALDEN, Gibson, Ga., writes:

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:-Before taking your medicine, life was a burden to me. I never saw a well day. At my monthly period I suffered untold misery, and a great deal of the time I was troubled with a severe pain in my side. Before finishing the first bottle of your Vegetable Compound I could tell it was doing me good. I continued its use, also used the Liver Pills and Sanative Wash, and have been greatly helped. I would like to have you use my letter for the benefit of others."

Ars. FLORENCE A. WOLFE, 515 fulberry 5t., Lancaster, Ohio, writes: "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:-For two

years I was troubled with what the local physicians told me was inflammation of the womb. Every month I suffered terribly. I had taken enough medicine from the doctors to cure anyone, but obtained relief for a short time only. At last I concluded to write to you in regard to my case, and can say that by following your advice I am now pefectly well."

Mrs. W. R. BATES, Mansfield, La., writes:

"Before writing to you I suffered dreadfully from painful menstruation, leucorrhœa and sore feeling in the lower part of the bowels. Now my friends want to know what makes me look so well. I do not hesitate one minute in telling them what has brought about this great change. I cannot praise Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound enough. It is the greatest remedy of the age."