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"No, you don't see my children loafing around the streets at night," Street Corner said the janitor of a city apartment-

Graduates. house, according to a writer for the Youth's Companion. "It costs me something to keep them away from the gangs, but it's worth the money. They're all respectable people here on the street, you know, and some pretty well to do. Doesn't seem to be any need of their boys going wrong, does there? Well, the trouble started with letting the boys run wild in the evenings. The janitor of this next house didn't attend to his business. The boys learned he wasn't around at night, so they used to take their boxing-gloves into his basement and light the gas and have great times—regular prize-fights. Now, that was only a boy's caper, and needn't have led to any serious harm, if the young fellows had been taken hold of right then and there, and handled right. When the policeman found 'em and drove 'em, possibly one or two of the boys did get a-whaling; but they went right back to their hang-out at the corner, and kept on scheming how to have fun. Come warm weather, vacation time, and the leader took a notion to jump on a train one day and have a ride. He got out in the country and begged his living for a day or two, and then he hopped on another train and came He had a regular picnic, he thought. All the other boys were wild to try it. Well, one of 'em did. He got thrown off the first time, so he had to do it all over again. The second time he got under the wheels, and that was the end of Mind you, all these fellows had been picking up lots of accomplishments while they hung around the corner. In the course of a year they knew how to smoke, they were good, hard swearers, and could lie pretty well, and because they could do mischief all around the neighborhood and dodge the policeman, they thought they were about as smart as the next one. It happened one day that the leader of the gang was suffering for eigarettes, so, what does he do but steal a pair of trousers and pawn 'em. He stole from the wrong man, as it turned out, and his folks couldn't settle the case. The officers on this beat gave the boy a bad name-and there's no denying he was the worst of the bunch-and the judge sent him to jail for 30 days. Well, there you have the year's record of six sons of decent people.

An interesting illustration of the expansion of the field of American financial investment is afforded by the report of a large life insurance company that its assets include securities of the governments of the Argentine Republie, Austria, Brazil, Great Britain, Bulgaria, France, Hungary, Switzerland, Prussia, Queensland, Russia, Servia, South Australia, Sweden, Spain, Mexico and Wurttemberg.

baseball now, and in the fall they'll

join a football team, if I have to

start one myself. They've got to

have company, and they need some

way to work off their animal spirits,

decent sports in decent places are

"They're playing

janitor added.

the cheapest kind."

In a recent contest for suggesting the best way to make \$5 grow, the prize was awarded to a man who advised that the amount be invested in eggs for hatching. He cited, among other things, the case of a boy who exchanged a penny for an egg, and this grew, successively, into a hen, six chickens, a pig. a calf and a pony, with bridle and sad-

Laughter is one of nature's best Laughter is one of nature's best medicines, and beats pills and bitters out of sight. Laughter brushes down the colwebs from the ceiling of the famine in the eastern states of the brain, dusts up and sweeps out old rusty whims and cranky notions and gloomy forebodings, and adorns the chambers of thought with the beautiful pictures of hope. beautiful pictures of hope.

#### THE PRESIDENT'S SUCCESS.

Satisfactory Results of His Efforts to Secure Legislation on Trusts.

When President Roosevelt began his speeches on "Trusts" last summer all elt a grave risk had been courageously assumed. The feeling was equally shared by those who opposed and by those who supported his course, by those who approved and those who disapproved the regulation of trusts by dederal legislation.

If much were accomplished great business interests might be injured. If nothing were done the prestige and position of the president, his administration and the republican party might be imperiled, says the Philadelphia Press.

Six months have passed. A measure regulating trusts is now certain to pass ongress. It will be conservative. It will not disturb business. Solvent and well-managed enterprises it will not Others need small consideration. It is accepted, however, unwillingly, as necessary and inevitable by the ablest and most powerful capital ists in charge of these great corporations. It is drawn by the congressmen who have been most conspicuous in de-manding the regulation of trusts. A which might, it once seemed probable, either inflict injury on business if a law were passed and if none were enacted might arouse public opinion to demand extreme measures. has been brought to a healthy compro-

Publicity will be secured, but without vexatious interference with business secrets. The long litigation under the Sherman anti-trust act will be brought to an early decision. Railroad rebates, on which trusts have thrived. will be made more difficult by making it as dangerous to accept a rebate as to grant one. Secret contracts as to

price will be regulated. This legislation, which promises to pass without serious opposition, brings these great corporations under the purview of the law. It begins the difficult task of government supervision in a new field. What President Roosea new field. velt demanded last summer is begun. and begun with a measure which changes all the outlook for trusts. Their freedom from all regulation ends. Their reports will be public Their special railroad favors will be curtailed. Competition will have the support of law against secret discrim-

ination. It is a great victory of a newpation policy, boldly launched, wisely ged and brought to a conclusion which satisfies the country as the first step in a difficult problem, without disturbing business, endangering credit or alarming capital.

#### QUEER STATE OF THINGS.

Democrats Voting Against a Silver Currency for the Philippines.

The republican leaders in the house were probably astonished at their complete defeat in the matter of the Philippine currency bill. Twent eight republicans bolted and joine the democrats in adopting the substitute offered by the democratic minority of the committee on insular af-The situation is not without comical features when we consider that the republican measure provided for a silver legal tender currency maintained at a ratio of 16 to 1/2 with gold, while the democratic substitute was the American gold standard pure and simple. Surely times changed since the age of William J. Bryan, says the San Francisco Chron-

icle This currency bill should never have been made a party measure, for the silver issue is as dead as Pharaoh's mummy and there is really a good deal be said from an economic stand-One of them killed while trying to play 'hobo,' one graduated to jail, four of 'em "on the ragged edge of for the reason that those favoring the 17 years old. I bought my boys laws to the Philippines do so mainly gymnasium tickets last winter," the should be speedily extended to the islands, with the object, as soon as may be, of completely incorporating the islands within the limits of our body politic. A uniform currency is one of the important agencies of pr and I calculate decent company and moting trade, and the legend of "the United States of North America" on the current coin is an agency in de veloping patriotism in our people. was these considerations, rather than economic views, which prompted 28 republicans, under the lead of some who have always favored free trade with the Philippines, to join the democrats in voting for a measure be-lieved to tend in that direction. What will happen to the bill in the senate is an altogether different question. It is essential that some currency bill be. passed, but it may be safely predicted that the house bill will have a hot time in the other wing of the capitol.

### COMMENT AND OPINION.

TIt must be highly embarrassing to any sort of an idea when it is made to realize that Mr. Bryan's Commoner has finally eaught up with it .- Wash-

CTThe tariff work of the democrats from '91 to '95 aggravated to a fiant state panic conditions which wise and practical legislation would have alleviated, if not have removed.

-Albany Journal.

#### DEMOCRATIC PLANS.

May Take Up the Cause of "The Oppressed Consumer" and Attack High Prices.

"There are indications," said Secretary Shaw before a New York republican club a few days ago, "that another campaign is to be waged against high prices."

High prices are, indeed, the chief argument for revising the tariff. Ir its destitution of issues the demo cratic party is likely again to take up the cause of "the oppressed consumer," ignoring, as it always does, that lower prices mean lower wages and lower profits and that as producers all consumers are bound to lose more by tariff tinkering than they would gain, as they did in 1893, says the Chicago Inter Ocean.

This is not to say, of course, that particular schedules should not be changed when concrete advantages may be gained. Secretary Shaw, in the same speech, gave a very clear and accurate test by which to determine when tariff schedules should be revised

"Our unprecedented prosperity," he said, "does not imply that the tariff schedules are perfect, or should never be revised. It does imply, however, that they should not be revised simply because they are imperfect. Some industry ought to show an actual hard-ship before present conditions are dis-

Perception of that fact, and the failure of any important industry to show that hardship, was one of the reasons that led the American people in the last election to reject the democratic clamor for tariff revision and to stand fast for letting the tariff alone at present.

The other reason was that the American people are endowed with common sense and believe thoroughly in doing one thing at a time. The thing they wanted done first was the curbing of the trusts. They agreed with the president that this was the first task and that incidental defects in the tariff should be let alone until that task was accomplished. And for that policy they voted.

Indications multiply that the democracy, deprived of the trust issue by republican legislation, will make the next campaign upon tariff revision. that conditions might not be improved by revision. On the other hand, as Secretary Shaw significantly said, "no one dare insure against their being made worse."

Until the democratic party dares so nsure it is not likely to be trusted to revise the tariff. And the republican party will not touch the tariff until the trust question is settled, and then will change schedules only as some in-

### SOMETHING TO REMEMBER.

An Interesting Fact About the Home Market for Free Traders to Consider.

Alluding to the fears expressed by ome of the Chicago packers that the new German tariff may play havoc with their export trade. The Boston Herald remarks that "they will find no difficulty in disposing in the American market of all the food stuffs that hey have been sending to Germany if they will lower their prices the mer-est trifle." And the Herald adds: The American market is the one which the packers have to depend on for their profits, and the more they cultivate it the better it will be for The admission that the them.' American market is the one on which the American producer must rely for profit, coming from a free trade newspaper like the Herald, is noteworthy and significant, says the Troy Times.
That is the protection argument in a nutshell. The true protection argument in a nutshell. The true protectionist knows and has always affirmed that propagative for home industry described \$400,000. prosperity for home industry depends on the home market. That does not institution prevent or discourage proper effort to extend our trade to other countries. But sales abroad always have and un-But sales abroad always have and unquestionably always will be but a Maj. Blunt, the commandant, made fractional part of those made at home. the estimate of the loss given before The bulk of what we grow and manufacture is used at home. The surplus goes abroad. It is well to have as large a surplus as possible and to sell all we can to foreign lands, especially when such sales are testimonials to the superior excellence and cheapness of the American product. But that loes not change the fundamental truth that the American market is the reatest and best for American goods. trade recognition of that fact put on officials,

### Anti-Expansionists Hard Hit

The protests of the anti-expansion-sts are daily growing weaker. Such are daily growing weaker. Such an array of facts going to show benesits which this country will derive from the retention of the Philippines as the anti-expansionists meet daily is enough to discourage the most ardent advocate of retreat. The latest tools, though dependent upon the ultimate decision of the international transfer of the country of the chief of the bureau of forestry, ho has returned from the Philip. ly referred. ines, that half the total area of th lands is heavily timbered and that ot much more than five per cent, is in hands of private owners. In his eport he says: "The forests are al est entirely hard wood, extremely rich in white mahogany, satin wood, rosewood and ebony." This news will probably make Aguinaldo's friends weep, but all true spirited Americans will rejoice that a territory so rich ir undeveloped possibilities for commer-cial and trade expansion has come under the stimulating and progressive influence of the United States,-Trey

### ITALIAN THIEVES

They Defraud Life Insurance Companies.

One of the Gang Confesses and Tells How They Made Large Sums of Money Out of a System of Fraud that Existed for 10 Years.

New York, Feb. 12.-An exposure of the methods of the conspirators in the recently discovered Italian life insurance frauds was made yesterday by the confession of one of the men oncerned. It appears that the frauds have been in operation for ten years, during which time the insurance companies have been defrauded of hundreds of thousands of dollars. In one instance a company paid out \$20,-000 on one fraudulent risk. The head of the conspiracy, Mr. Krotel says, was Bartolomeo Cirino, who was recently arrested and released under \$6,000 bail.

The usual plan of operations was to make an application for insurance in the name of some person in a practically dying condition, a healthy substitute being presented for med-ical examination. In cases where the original "risk" lingered too long to satisfy the conspirators, a substi-tute body was used on which to collect the amount of the policy. These bodies are said to have been furnished by Joseph Tripan, an Italian undertaker, who is now awaiting trial in taker, who is now awaiting trial in the Tombs. In some instances false death certificates were presented, said to have been signed by Cirino, or by two Italian doctors who are now under heavy bail.

So well organized was the scheme that there was a regularly appointed board of directors that used to meet every week to discuss the payments of premiums falling due, and pass upon the matter of the substitution of bogus bodies in the case of "risks" that did not die until the payment of premiums became too heavy.

#### A MINE DISASTER.

Two Men Killed - Narrow Escape of Ten Others from a Similar Fate

Duluth, Minn., Feb. 12.—Two lives were lost and ten men had narrow escapes as a result of a fire in No. 3 shaft at the Spruce mine, owned by the United States Steel Corporation.

at Eveleth, Minn., yesterday. The fire was caused by the sion of a lantern which was left near the edge of the shaft on the second level, 150 feet below the surface. Ninety feet deeper in the mine 12 men were at work in a drift which was being put through from No. 3 to No. 1 shaft. There was no escape for them except by way of No. 3, in which the fire was raging. There trust question is settled, and then will change schedules only as some industry shall show actual hardship in them. avail. They groped to the point the drift joined the No. 1 shaft. When they could no longer se fire above they began climbing the

ladder. Ten of the men reached the second Two, O'Brien and Matthews were overcome when about 40 feet from the point of safety and fell back to their death. The firemen fought the fire by carrying their hose down the No. 1 shaft and through to the point where the blaze originated. Quick work in extinguishing the fire saved the lives of at least ten men.

### ARSENAL ABLAZE.

A Storehouse at Rock Island Burns,

Causing a Loss of \$1,500,000.

Rock Island, Ill., Feb. 12.—"Shop
A," the principal issue storehouse at the Rock Island arsenal, was de stroyed by fire last night, with its contents. The latter included cavalry and infantry equipments of every description, and 1,000,000 rounds of Krag-Jorgensen smokeless ammu-The contents were worth nition.

The flames in the great go endangered The Rock Island arsenal is the larg-

## ST. LOUIS GETS THEM.

Olympic Games Will be a Feature of the World's Fair. St. Louis, Feb. 12.—"Everything settled. You have Olympic games." is the wording of a cablegram re-ceived from Michel La Grave, world's fair commissioner at Paris, France, by the Louislana Purchase exposition

The meaning of the cablegram is The meaning of the cablegram is that the Olympic games, which were originally intended to be held in Chicago in 1904, will be held in St. Louis during the world's fair, the interna-

omb that has been thrown into the inti-expansionists' camp is the report by the chief of the bureau of forestry,

### Terrific Explosion in a Mine.

lous explosion occurred Wednesday at No. 11 colliery, operated by the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal Co., at Plymouth, four miles from this city Eight men were burned and injured Eight men were burned and injured two of them seriously. A naked lamp carried by one of the men in the mine ignited a feeder of gas in one of the chambers, which exploded with terrific force, causing havee for hundreds of yards in what is called the Bonnett vein. Timbers were hurled in every direction, doors in the mine cut loose from their hinges.

## THE PROFESSOR'S DISCOVERY.

All His Learning Went for Naught When the Supposed Antique Was Opened.

It took the professor a lifetime to master the intricacies of the old Egyptian hieroglyphics. One day he discovered a roll of papyrus, containing in one place mysterious marks too faint to be deciphered, says the New York Sun.

It took the professor a week to find out that the papyrus was in a double layer with the mysterious marks in between.

It took the professor another week to separate the layers of the papyrus without tearing it.

earing it.

It took the professor practically no time
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at all to read the writing, which ran as follows:

"My name is Blanche Terwilliger. I work in McGuire's factory of antiquities at Oshkosh, Mich. I am a brunette, 18 years old, and generally considered handsome. I could make a trusting wife to the right man and write this note in the hope that it will fall into the hands of such a man and so lead to further correspondence."

It took the professor two hours to yield the objurgations which he felt the situation demanded.

Did the professor marry the girl?

Thunder, no! The professor was already married. The idea!

#### An Important Discovery

Granton, Okla., Feb. 9th.—After ten years E. H. Gosney of Granton has at last found a cure for Kidney Trouble. Mr. Gosney suffered very severely with Kidney Complaint and some ten years ago made up his mind to find a cure if one was to be had. He has tried and tried and experimented with every kidney medicine he could hear of. Although he was always disappointed he kept on trying till at last his perseverence was rewarded and he found a complete

eure. He is a well man to-day and explains it

He is a well man to-day and explains it as follows:

"Everything failed to cure me and I was growing worse and worse till I tried a new remedy called Dodd's Kidney Pills and I had not taken many of them before I knew that I had at last found the right thing. I am entirely cured and I cannot say too much for Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Accuracy.—Husband—"Didn't I tell you that was a secret, and you were not to tell it to anyone?" Wife—"You told me it was a secret, but you did not say I watto tell it to anyone."—N. Y. Weekly.

#### The Nickel Plate Road.

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The care and attention to all the patrons of this road make it the favorite with the inexperienced as well as those accustomed to travel. Every feature necessary to the comfort and convenience of passengers, especially ladies traveling alone or accompanied by children, is provided. Colored porters uniformed are in attendance to serve the wants of all and to see that the cars are clean and kept so. Pullman sleepers with choice dining car service, American Club Plan or a la Carte, at moderate cost. With no excess fare charged on any train it will be to your interest to have your ticket read be to your interest to have your ticket read by way of the Nickel Plate.

Fear is nursed in the lap of imagination.

—United Presbyterian.

Three trains a day Chicago to California, Oregon and Washington. Chicago, Union Pacific & North-Western Line.

No man was ever discontented with the world if he did his duty in it.—Southey.

Three solid through trains daily Chicago to California. Chicago, Union Pacific & North-Western Line. It costs more to support one vice than ten virtues.—Chicago Daily News.

Piso's Cure for Consumption is an infalli-ble medicine for coughs and colds.—N. W. Samuel, Ocean Grove, N. J., Feb. 17, 1900.

Selfishness is the seed of sorrow.-Four-Track News.

Force never fusses .- Ram's Horn.

Honied words and sweetness of character are not always found together.—United are not always found Presbyterian.

Many a man who forged his way to the front landed in the penitentiary.—Chicago Daily News.

"Has he great poetical imagination?" "I should say so; he imagines he's a poet!"—Baltimore Herald.

Men living within themselves haven't much to boast of in the way of earthly habitations.—Chicago Daily News.

Time flies, but not any faster than formerly; which is somewhat remarkable in this go-ahead age.—Brooklyn Life.

She (musingly)—"How can Chinamen bear to eat rats?" He (absently)—"It helps fill the Chinks."—Harvard Lampoon. First Lady Passenger (on elevated)—
"That is the first gentleman I've seen in some time." Second Lady Passenger—
"What did he do?" First Lady Passenger—
"Offered me his strap."—Town Topics.

"Robbers at your office, eh? Did they find the combination for the safe?" "Apparently. We can't find the safe. The combination must have been a steel drill and unlimited dynamits."—Philadelphia Press.

Uncle Reuben says: I'm realizin' dat I hasn't created no pertickler commoshun in dis world, but as an offset I am consoln' myseld wid de reflection dat de world has bin none de worse for my livin' in it. If I haven't helped, I haven't hurt.—Detroit Free Press. .....

Mrs. Green—"They tell me your husband has been decorated by some foreign ruler." Mrs. Brown—"Yes, but it's only a bit of ribbon, and it doesn't match my complexion at all. When Charles wears it anywhere he'll have to go without me."—
Roston Transcript. Boston Transcript.

The K. C. S. Almanae for 1903.

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The Kansas City Southern Railway's Almanae for 1903 is now ready for distribution. Farmers, stock-raisers, fruit-growers, truck-gardeners, manufacturers, merchants and others seeking a new field of action or a new home at the very lowest prices, can obtain reliable information concerning southwestern Missouri, the Cherokee and Choctaw Nations in the Indian Territory, western Arkansas, eastern Texas, northwestern Louisana and the Coast country, and of the business opportunities offered therein. Write for a copy of the K. C. S. Almanac and address, S. G. Warner, G. P. A., K. C. S. Railway, Kansas Citty, Mo. ner, G. P. City, Mo.

Mrs. Muggins—How long had you known our husband before you married him? Mrs. Buggins—I didn't know him at all. only thought I did.—Philadelphia Rec-

#### California-Low Rates.

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Beginning February 15th, the M., K. & T. Ry. will sell Colonist Tickets to California at very low rates, viz.: St. Louis, \$30.00; Kansas City, \$25.00. Touirist Car through to San Francisco leaves St. Louis each Tuesday at 8:32 p. m. Ask any Katy Agent or address James Barker, Gen I Pass. Agent, M. K. & T. Ry., 202 Wainwright Bidg., St. Louis.

Tom—"Our engagement is off." Dick—
"You don't say, how's that?" Tom—"She
got mad because I couldn't explain to her
satisfaction why I loved her more than
other girls."—Philadelphia Press.

This Will Interest Mothers.

Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, used by Mother Gray, a nurse in Children's Home, New York, cure Feverishness, Teething disorders, Stomach troubles, destroyword. All Diversity 18th Control of the Control of t destroy worms. All Druggists, 25c. Sample FREE. Address A.S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N.Y.

There is nothing that costs less than civility.--Cervantes

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and works off the cold. Laxative Bromc Quinine Tablets. Price 25 cents

Truth is more of a stranger than fic-tion.—Chicago Daily News.

Putnam Fadeless Dyes color more goods, brighter colors, with less work than others. Pugilists lead a sluggish life.-Chicago



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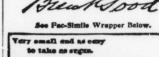


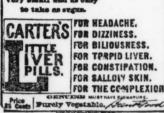
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