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JOB PRINTING. The Job Department of the Press is complete and affords facilities for doing the best class of work.

Signs in Japan. Clarence Ludlow Brownell, in his book, "The Heart of Japan," tells amusingly of some signs he saw in Japan.

Mien of the Mikado. When the mikado is seen in public he manifests no interest in his subjects, neither smiling nor bowing as he passes along.

Strange Rainstorms. In the Colorado desert there are rainstorms during which not a drop of water touches the earth.

London Zoo Gorilla. Miss Crowther, the largest and fiercest gorilla ever captured, lately arrived at the London zoological gardens.

Captain Death. An English master mariner named Death has had his name changed. He said, in explanation, that he was now acting as first officer, but expected soon to have command of a ship.

Too Much Trousers. In feudal days Japanese courtiers wore wide trousers twice as long as their legs, so that they trailed after the wearer.

Crown of the Virgin. The pope has ordered a firm of Florence jewelers to manufacture a crown set with imitation stones for the image of the virgin in the basilica of the vatican.

Feminine Comment. "Here, Maria, here is a story about 50 Buffalo women who cooked on one stove for more than a year and didn't have a single quarrel in all that time."

Hard to Down. When the good man seems to be conquered, the powers of evil have still to rue their short-lived triumph, and to say as Pyrrhus said when he defeated the Romans: "Three such victories would ruin me."

Helping the World. Make yourself a necessity to the world by what you contribute in the way of personal comfort, by what you are in embodying before men all that is gentle, generous and pure.

Only a Bluff. Why does a woman, after making such a solemn promise to obey at the altar, give her husband such a cold and hollow laugh when he merely hints that it would be the proper thing to do?

Old Russ Costumes. The old Russ costumes are still worn in many parts of Russia. There is great variety in them, but rich embroidery and an imposing head dress of some sort are common to all.

PROSPERITY CONTINUING. Industrial and Commercial Interests Furthered by Wise Republican Policies.

Those who keep in touch with the news of the day cannot fail to be impressed with the assurances that come from every side of conditions that indicate a continuation of the prosperity which the country has been enjoying of late.

The New York Financier, a leading journal in its line, takes occasion to point out the facts which form ground for belief in the lasting prosperity of the nation.

"Almost never before in our history has this country been in a more advantageous position politically, financially and commercially than it is this year.

The restoration of peace in the orient has been due largely to the interposition of the good offices of our government; for this the lately warring nations appear profoundly grateful.

At peace with all the world, possessing the sincere respect and friendship of other nations, and turning out products which are more in demand abroad than ever before, what land has so much of promise as the United States?

THE FIELD OF POLITICS.

A horse named Bryan won a race the other day. So once more it is proved that there is nothing in a name.—Charleston News and Courier.

Ohio democrats say they expect a landslide this year. They have one in Ohio whenever there is an election—and it is generally necessary to dig the democrats out.—Chicago Record-Herald.

A careful analysis of Mr. Bryan's statement making his position clear, seems to make it clear that Mr. Bryan consistently maintains the position he assumed some nine years ago.—Indianapolis News (Ind.).

The New York Sun wastes words in using a column and a quarter to argue for "tariff stability, but no fossilization." Nobody is asking for tariff fossilization. What the producing interests—including American labor—ask is, that cranks, reformers and scheming politicians shall not be permitted to play monkey tricks with a tariff that is doing for the country far more good than a "reformed" tariff would be likely to do.

The presidential statistician does not put Mr. Cleveland entirely out of the game on account of age. But there are other reasons not pertaining to age which bar him.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The democratic candidate for governor of Ohio is at least attracting attention by running his campaign on the line of holding down the lid if he is elected. The republicans are beginning to think it may be necessary for them to vote, a fact which wipes out the limit of the majority to be polled against the democrats.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

BOLD BRYAN MESSAGES. The Perennial Democratic Humbug Gives Forth a Parting Bray.

The last thing before leaving his country for his country's good Mr. Bryan has published in the Commoner an open letter to President Roosevelt, which is probably the most impudent thing he has ever perpetrated.

The subject-matter is the president as a peacemaker and the treatment is a combination of patronage and toadyism. He graciously concedes that the president managed the Russo-Japanese peace conference very well.

He says the senate "wisely refused to surrender the treaty-making power," which is probably the most offensive thing he could have said to the president.

Bryan flatters the president with assurances that he is a good democrat. He tries to overwhelm him by assurances that he would even vote for him.

President Roosevelt has never deserved this humiliation and his friends should resent it.

As a perennial democratic humbug Bryan is at liberty to criticize and even to slander the president, but the country will draw the line at jollifying, nagging, patronizing and chumminess.

DUAL TARIFF CUTS PRICES. Home Market Would Be Weakened and Wages Would Go Down.

In the glad days of the Wilson tariff, when the foreigners were not "strangling the American export trade in agricultural products and manufactured goods," our total exports of everything in 1895 were \$793,392,539.

Our "great basic industry" cannot suffer, says the New York Press, so long as the American people have so much money and are living so well that they take all the farmers offers at the best prices of modern history.

Put American wage earners out of employment and the first thing to go down in price will be our farm products for the first thing the men who are out of work, or on reduced time and wages, will do will be to eat less, wear less and cut down their general living expenses.

A prominent New York business man, writing from Venice, August 24, says: "I can see everywhere I go in Europe that the ambition and desire of the people is to get into our preserves, where they know there is plenty of game. They have shot all the good game in this country, and like sportsmen, are hunting new shooting grounds.

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Uncle Sam's Sales of Land. Washington, Sept. 30.—Commissioner Richards, of the general land office, has forwarded to the secretary of the interior his annual report covering the fiscal year ending June 30 last.

A Millionaire Suicides. New York, Sept. 30.—William R. Travers, a millionaire man of leisure, son of the celebrated wit and Wall street operator, William R. Travers, committed suicide Friday by shooting himself through the head in his apartment in Madison avenue.

A Shipbuilding Boom. London, Sept. 30.—Orders for 100,000 tons of shipping have been placed with Clyde builders during the present month, while 44,000 tons of new ships were launched during the same period.

THE "BIG THREE" IN A COMBINE. THEY PUT MONEY INTO A POOL TO PAY LOBBYISTS TO LOOK AFTER INSURANCE LEGISLATION.

He Assails the New York Superintendent of Insurance—He Said Equitable's Finance Committee Was Dominated by Mr. Hyde.

New York, Sept. 30.—When the legislative committee on the insurance investigation adjourned yesterday until next Wednesday it concluded a week in which greater progress had been made than in any week since the investigation began.

It was during the afternoon session yesterday when Alfred W. Maine, an associate auditor of the Equitable Life Assurance Society was called to the stand, that it was disclosed that the Equitable Life, the Mutual Life and the New York Life companies had formed a pool to look after legislation before the various state legislatures.

Not the least important development of the day was the appearance on the stand of Jacob H. Schiff, head of the banking firm of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. He vigorously defended his attitude while a director of the Equitable society and claimed his firm had acted in a conscientious manner in all its dealings with the society.

During his testimony Mr. Schiff made the charge that the minutes of the finance committee regarding a certain meeting were false. He later qualified this, however, by saying if the transaction under consideration, one in Union Pacific preferred, was actually made he did not hear it, though he was present at the meeting.

An astonishing revelation was made when Mr. Winthrop declared that various sums that had been paid to the Equitable, amounting in all to \$92,493, had disappeared. There is no record of the final resting place of the money.

BUSINESS BAROMETER. The Leading Industries Are Assured of Great Activity for Months to Come.

New York, Sept. 30.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Lower temperature stimulates retail trade and fall openings are largely attended, but the weather is not cold enough to menace late crops that are maturing most satisfactorily.

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HOW A FRIENDSHIP GREW. The Story.

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Do you want a clear and healthy skin? pleasure. It freshened up the hands after dish-washing, removing the most disagreeable feature of that necessary task.

It was found to keep delicate baby skins from chafing better than salve or powder, and the crowning note in the song of delight came when an adult member of the family used it in a full bath, and realized that a Turkish Bath at a cost of one dollar was outdone by a small fraction of the little, ten-cent, velvety cake.

But, strange though it may seem, there were people who had not learned to prize Sapolio. To these the advertising of Hand Sapolio came as a surprise. Sapolio, a scouring soap,

THE FIRST STEP away from self-respect is lack of care in personal cleanliness; the first move in building up a proper pride in man, woman, or child is a visit to the bathtub. You can't be healthy, or pretty, or even good, unless you are clean. Use HAND SAPOLIO. It pleases everyone.

adapted for the hands, the face, the general toilet? Impossible, it would be horrid. Who ever heard of such a use? Finally a bold shopper carried home a cake. Does it look like kitchen Sapolio? No one is sure, and a cake of that is bought, and comparison made. Behold a family using both the Sapolios for every conceivable purpose, and comparing notes! After easily and quickly cleansing a greasy

THE DISTRICT SCHOOL OF SPLOTTLESS TOWN CLASS IN ALGEBRA Let housewife equal X plus F; Let E the sign for Sapolio be: For dirt let minus X be had; Then all these symbols we will add. The X and minus X drop out. (As anyone can see no doubt) And leave what must the housewife please—The happy symbol we call ease.

pan with Sapolio, Jane thought the other would be gritty, and was astonished at the smooth, dainty lather. Another was certain it would harden the hands and could scarcely realize how soft and "comfy" they felt after the washing. Then began the excitement of adventure? what would the new soap NOT do? A girl tried a shampoo. Her hair, pretty, soft and silky "went up" perfectly, with none of the unmanageability.

WHY TAKE DAINTY CARE of your mouth and neglect your pores, the myriad mouths of your skin? HAND SAPOLIO does not gloss them over, or chemically dissolve their health-giving oils, yet clears them thoroughly by a method of its own.

old creature. A pimply face was treated daily with the full dose, and promptly became clear. Tartar on the teeth yielded to it, and feet that had a tendency towards hardening of the skin regained their natural condition, till another family had joined the chorus of friendly acclaim.

TRY HAND SAPOLIO. Its steady use will keep the hands of any busy woman as white, untanned and pretty as if she was under the constant care of a city manicure. It is truly "The Dainty Woman's Friend," in the suburbs or on the farm.

Jumping at a Conclusion. "Another one of those lobbyists approached me today with an insulting proposition," said Congressman Grafton. "Oh! John," exclaimed his wife, "then you can afford to buy me that seakins saquee now, can't you?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

He Was Stingy. Harduppe—Closest likes nothing better than to have some fellow ask him for a loan. Borrower—Is that so? "Yes; it gives him so much pleasure to refuse."—Philadelphia Record.

Couldn't Be Worse. Visitor at Seaside Boarding House—I say, landlord, your food is worse than it was last year. Landlord—Impossible, sir!—Judy.

The Erie Railroad has arranged for the immediate expenditure of \$225,000 for the installation of the most modern and efficient railway signal that has yet been put on the market.

One doctrine which is common to all satirists of society is that the age they write in is the worst of all known ages, the lowest point of degeneration yet reached.—N. Y. Times.

"GENERAL" FOR 25 CENTS. The Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railway is distributing a very beautiful lithograph, 18x25 inches, of the famous engine "General" which is now on exhibition in the Union Depot, Chattanooga, Tenn.



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W. L. DANLEY, G. P. A. Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis R'y Nashville, Tennessee

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"I have tried all kinds of waterproof clothing and have never found anything at any price to compare with your Fish Brand for protection from all kinds of weather."

ON ITS OWN RAILS.

A railroad with its own rails extending from one important city to another has decided advantages over a line depending on connections to traverse the same distance.