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World Is Improving.

The world was never so truth-telling as it is to-day. Nothing like it ever existed in the past. The commercial life of the world compels truth as nothing has, nothing else can, for it is on its credit and truthfulness that the fabric of our great commerce rests. You may rest assured that there never was so much truth in the world as there is to-day, and there never was such a real care for truths as there is to-day.-Rev. M. J. Savage

More Work; Less Play.

Isn't there a suspicion that at the present time Australia might be said to be "unduly pleasure-loving?" When it is remembered that the time is one of grave anxiety; that the sands run rapidly out to give the signal for a struggle for very existence—there seems reason to suggest, for the national good, a little less horse racing, little more attention to the serious things of life.—Sydney Bulletin.

Marriage Age Is Increased.

It is generally admitted that the marriageable age of women has advanced considerably of recent years. Many a bride has long felt girlhood behind her before she exchanges her vows at the altar, and there seem to be few young men nowadays who care to assume the responsibilities of married life until they are in the financial position usually associated with middle age.

Best Way to Tie Shoe-Laces.

A way to keep shoe-laces tied is to make a bow in the ordinary way, then insert a buttonhook underneath center of the bow and draw one loop and one end through (underneath) thus turning the bow practically upside down. Or draw one loop through the other and pull the "answering" end, so that the loops are knotted.

The New Morality.

So, it's away with your old morality and your prating about duty, self-restraint, sin and its punishment.
"Science" or "evolution," as the case
may be, has shown that to be strong is to be virtuous, that to seize is the aim of life and to let go one's hold the supreme transgression.- X. Y. Evening

Woman Took Dare; Posed on Chimney. Dared to climb a 125-foot chimney in process of construction at Torrington, Mrs. Guy Nodine mounted to the top and posed there several min-utes enjoying the view. To get there she had to climb rickety ladders all

Life.
Life is a cocktail, made up for the most part of sweet things, and tinged with a dash of bitters. We must drain it to the dregs to get at the cherry, just as we must live a full and rounded life to know all its pleasures. Details to the cherry its pleasures. ures .- Detroit Free Press.

Persian Easy Language to Learn. Persian is said to be not a very difficult language. The modern Persian is very much like the English in its sensible rejection of the inflections that burden so many of the world's

Pharaoh's Mummy.

Pharach's mummy has been discovered and unfolded, and the eyes of readers of these pages can rest on the very features on which the eyes of Moses looked 3,000 years and more

Quest of the Age.

We have lost our power to become satisfied with the essentials of life. Rich and poor alike, we seek wealth as the greatest promoter to human happiness, the greatest blessing obtainable.-The Queen.

Decline of Nations.

If the big scientist who ascribes the downfall of Greece and Rome to malaria turns out to be correct, what in the world will the commencement orator of the future have to fall back on

Time Hard to Kill.

"Time "ard to Kill.
"Time." observes the Philosopher of
Folly, "has more lives than a cat, I've
killed it more than a million times myself, and eternity doesn't seem a bit

Saying of a Sage.

"Enemies is unsatisfactory. When friend abuses ye, he means it; but n a enemy praises ye, he doesn't

THE CRYSTAL GAZER



The Pure Democracy Future Looks Bright to Her.

## ON A BRUISED REED

REST DEMOCRATIC HOPES OF ELECTING A PRESIDENT.

Party Already Confesses Defeat When It Admits That It Depends for Victory on Desertions from the Enemy's Ranks.

It is declared to be the intention of Bryan to steal the Roosevelt livery to serve his party. Mr. Bryan is not built right to wear it, and the first voice to tell him so doubtless will come from the White House. The livery may be handed down, but it will go to a man who will make proper use of it, and who has some garments of his own to add to the supply.

Word comes that the Democrats during the campaign will praise Roose-veit and damn his party. They will say that their candidate is the logical successor of the man now in office. There's no logic in it, and the party of defeat confesses at the outset that having no reserve strength it must depend for victory on the forlorn hope of desertion from the ranks of the enemy.

Roosevelt has been called a radical; doubtless he is one, but there has been a leaven of conservatism in all his radicalism, and the Republican ship in entering new seas has had a firm hand at the helm. The socalled reactionaries of the party have condemned the president without stint. It has not hurt him, nor has it lost to the Republicans the conservative vote. For conservatism it takes not a second's thought to choose between

Rooseveltism and Bryanism.

The masses of the Republicans believe in the advanced policies of the party. They want progress, but they also want an assurance that the path doesn't lead to a deadfull. They will hardly be induced to follow a man who has stolen their guide's clothes.

The Democratic party always has had a capacity for blundering. Possibly it is not the part of wisdom to give advice, but if Mr. Bryan and his friends desire to hurry the day of the president's advent into the campaign as a special pleader for the cause of Mr. Taft, they will continue to claim that Bryanism is a simon pure Rooseveltism.

The president cares little for precedent, provided he thinks the people won't growl at a little smashing of rules honored by time and nothing sharply sometimes on party questions else. It would be sheer joy for him find themselves able to unite heartily

Roosevelt is a Repub sive policies are the party policies, and they have a place in the party's pledges. The president is not going pledges. The president is not going to sit idle at Oyster Bay while these policies are fliched. The Democrats apparently are about to give the president a challenge to take the field. They hope he won't accept it, but challenges never lie long at the Roosevelt gate. The coming won't be altogether tame. The coming campaign

"Inexpressibly Happy."

Any formal statement that Secre-tary Taft might have made with reference to his nomination for the presidency would have been colorless as compared with the simple statement, "I am inexpressibly happy." No other impromptu comment could have meant more. For, after all, the feeling of a man who has achieved such an honor able distinction, has earned it and won it in spite of almost malicious opposition, but who has kept his faith and his heart and his cheer of counte nance, may be better left to the popu-

lar imagination. Naturally, Mr. Taft is very happy, and in this happiness the Republican party should share in an unusual degree. Even those of the Democratic faith should be patriotic enough to be illustrates afresh the irreconcilable glad that the Republican party has done so well.

Bryan to reflect that the issue in the campaign "will not be one of the issues that arrive from time to time presues that arrive from time to time presenting an economic question." any economic question would do to Mr. Bryan would be a plenty.

INVOICE THAT IS NEEDED.

Wisdom in Securing Statement of Country's Natural Wealth.

The president has called for an invoice of the natural resources of the United States. He wants the information before the first of January for use in connection with possible con-gressional action regarding the con-servation of these resources. Such an invoice is fundamental. If it is an invoice is fundamental. If it is properly taken and the statistics are grouped as they should be the report will be one of the most important and valuable documents ever published by government.

The phrase "natural resources" has been a pleasing thing to conjure with. But there has never been any adequate attempt to define the words in press terms. Books have been written upon different features of natural wealth. Some of these give a pretty good idea of the extent of these sources. There have been estimates of the amount of coal or iron or gold or silver. There have been descriptions of the vast areas covered with forest.

What is now proposed is a careful and concise invoice taken for business purposes and with a definite end in view. Our natural resources have been sufficiently exploited for rhetorical effect. There are few people, possibly no one at all, with any real real knowledge about the extent and character of such national wealth.

An accurate statement will be valuable as a check upon lavish outlays in the future, such as have marked the river and harbor bills for many years. there had been certain knowledge of scientific value available for congressional information many thou-sands of dollars wasted in useless "improvements" might have been spared. The importance of knowing just what there is to conserve is evident. The invoice should precede the adoption of any comprehensive plan for large outlays. Its accuracy should unquestioned.

#### TAFT POPULAR WITH ALL.

Every Shade of Party Opinion Satisfied with Candidate.

There is fresh evidence daily of Mr. Taft's remarkably strong strategical position in making this campaign.

Such is his personality, that both sections of party opinion find themselves in agreement on his candidacy Republicans who disagree pretty sharply sometimes on party questions to get a chance to use the big stick on Mr. Taft as (to quote Mr. Spooner) on certain Democratic pretensions. "an ideal man for the presidency."

Mr. Taft was the "Roosevelt date." No doubt about that. But that label does not at all deter men not "Roosevelt Republicans" from being Taft Republicans.

There is J. Ogden Armour, for instance, who dislikes Roosevelt and makes no bones of saying so. But this "Roosevelt candidate" nevertheless suits him to a dot. "The ticket is strong and sure to win," says Mr. Armour, "and with the election of such candidates the prospects for prosperity in the United States are ex-

Why is it that such Republicans who dislike Roosevelt most, warmly support Roosevelt's closest friend and

candidate? As to "policies," the two men are in general accord. In point of honest sincerity and backbone it is an even Then there must be a world of difference somewhere.

We guess it is one of temperament training and methods. President Taft will be able to do a lot of houseclean-ing without smashing the crockery and setting fire to the building .- Mil

Bryan and Cleveland.

If praise of Mr. Cleveland is to dis-rupt the Democratic party, it merely nature of the differences between the Cleveland and Bryan wings. Cleveland was a statesman whose It is doubtless very pleasant for Mr. views did not change with each hour who held fast to undying prinicles What him without seeming to criticise the chameleon of Lincoln, Neb.-N. Y Post.

## LIGHTNING KILLS MILITIAMEN

THREE SOLDIERS MET DEATH IN CAMP AT GETTYSBURG.

Terrific Storm Struck the Camp-The Injured Number 26-Gov. Stuart Had Narrow Escape.

Gettysburg, Pa.-As a result of a severe storm which passed over the encampment of the national guard of Pennsylvania Thursday night, three troopers were killed and 26 seriously injured.

The dead are:

Private Barbe, Eighteenth regiment. Private Morrison, Tenth regiment. Private Garver, Tenth regiment. The body of Garver was severed in

twain as though by a sword.

The greatest confusion prevailed and the visitors to the camp as well as many of the troopers were panicstricken.

The field hospital is crowded with injured and the colonel of the Tenth regiment gave up his quarters to those in immediate need of medical assistance.

When the storm came up Gov. Stuart was entertaining a few friends in his tent. The storm broke with such suddenness and fury that the occu-pants of the tent found themselves entangled in the canvas and ropes in an instant, but all escaped serious in-

There were nearly 50 men in the regimental guard tent of the Tenth regiment when the storm broke and not one is believed to have escaped injury.

The men of the Second brigade. The men of the Second brigade, whose tents were pitched in the low-land, were forced to swim to safety. Their cots are floating about the camp and not a tent of this brigade remains intact.

When the storm swept down upon the camp there were hundreds of vis-

## EBERHARD CONFESSES.

Man Who Murdered and Robbed His Aunt Tells of the Crime.

New York City. - Drawn back to the scene of his crime by a force he could not resist, August Eberhard, self-confessed murderer of his aunt, Mrs. Ottillie Eberhard, a Viennese widow, whom he lured to a lonely spot in New Jersey a few days ago and shot to death, was captured on Thursday near Paterson, N. J., and is now a prisoner in the Hackensack jail.

What interested the authorities for committin gthe crime. Eberhard said that he was in love with a New York girl and that he needed money to marry her, so, knowing that his aunt had \$2,500, he plotted to kill her and steal the money. Eberhard says he also intended to kill his cousin, Ottillie Eberhard, to whom he was engaged, so that nothing would stand in the way of his marriage to the New York girl.

Eberhard was found lying on the lawn of a residence just outside of Paterson. There was an ugly looking wound in his right leg, which the murderer first said had been inflicted by Italians who attacked him, but which he afterwards confessed was inflicted by himself so as to make the police believe he had been wounded on the night his aunt was killed.

When Eberhard was searched not a penny was found in his pockets. Eberhard said that he had buried the money he stole from his aunt. the detectives to a tree near Little Falls and there dug up a bundle of bills. There was \$2,400 in the bundle, which is the amount that was stolen, as the murderer left a small amount of money in the bosom of his aunt's waist, so as to give the impression that she had not been robbed.

## HAZERS ARE SUSPENDED.

Eight Cadets at West Point Military Academy Are Sent Home in Disgrace.

West Point, N. Y.—Eight cadets in the United States military academy here were on Thursday sent to their homes as a result of hazing members of the fourth class. were William T. Russell, appointed at large, and Harry G. Wever of Illinois, members of the first class; and Byron Q. Jones, New York; George W. Chase, New York; William W. Prude, Alabama; Isaac Spaulding, Oklaho ma; William Nolle, Virginia, and James A. Gillespie of Pennsylvania, members of the third class.

The cadets who have been placed under suspension for what has come to be regarded in official eyes as the major offense in the academy list, will have their cases passed upon by the ecretary of war and have been or dered to await the secretary's action at their homes. Precedent in such cases sets the penalty as dismissal from the academy following proof of the hazing charge.

Mail Order Houses Are Indicted.

Chicago, Ill. - The federal grand jury returned indictments on Thursday against 29 mail order houses, whose alleged illegal profits said to have been between four and five millions of dollars. charge is using the mails to defraud.

Assistant Treasurer Meline Dies. Washington, D. C.— Maj. James F. Meline, for 16 years past the assistant treasurer of the United States, died at his home hero Thursday after a long illness. He was 67 years old.

# A HIGHER COURT REVERSES LANDIS

HUGE FINE IMPOSED ON STAND ARD OIL CO. IS DECLARED ILLEGAL.

#### NEW TRIAL OF REBATE CASE

Is Ordered by United States Circult Court of Appeals, Three Judges Concurring in the Opinion Handed Down.

Chicago, Ill.-Following the unanimous decision on Wednesday of Judges Grosscup, Seaman and Baker, composing the United States circuit court of appeals, reversing and remanding the case of the government against the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, in which case Judge Landis in the district court had imposed a fine of \$29,240,000, the federal attorneys announced that the government had 30 days within which to file a petition for a rehearing, and that it would be filed within that period.

In the case that was reversed Wednesday, the Standard Oil Company of Indiana was found guilty of accepting rebates on shipments of oil from its refinery at Whiting, Ind., to East St. Louis, Ill. Judge Landis fined the company \$20,000 on each of 1,462 counts, each count representing a car load shipment.

The opinion of three judges of the higher court leaves little of the con-tention that each car load constituted a separate offense. Even the various shipments, of which there were about 500, could not be considered as sep arate offenses under the ruling of the court of appeals. The fine should have been based on settlements between the railroad and the oil company, the ominion holds. Of these there were just 36. The maximum fine on this basis would amount to \$720,000 and the minimum \$36,000. It is said that \$223,000 is the total amount which the Standard Oil Co. is alleged to have received as rebates on the shipments in question.

In the event that a rehearing is denied, the government may go to trial on the original indictment, containing 1,462 counts. Such an action, District Attorney Sims could be ready to take within two weeks. There are take within two weeks. There are also seven other indictments, containing 4,422 counts. As a vast amount of work has been done on the most in the confession of Eberhard made to them was the reason he gave for committin gthe crime. Eberhard will be instituted. The record of the present case contains over a million and a half words, and is estimated to have cost the government \$200,000.

Another move which may be made the federal attorneys is to transfer the prosecution from this jurisdic-tion either to the western New York district, or to the eastern Tennessee court. In these two districts, the government investigation led to indictments containing about 2,0 counts against the Standard Oil Co. 2,000

#### DESPERADOES RAN AMUCK.

Two Bandits Shot 11 Persons in the Streets of Jamaica Plain, Mass.

Boston, Mass.—Eleven persons were shot on Wednesday night, three of them probably fatally, by two desperadoes who, on being pursued by policemen and a crowd of citizens, fled for two miles through a thickly settled district of Jamaica Plain, fir-ing right and left and disappeared in the woods near Franklin park. The men are believed to be two of the gang of three who robbed a saloon in Jamaica Plain Tuesday night after shooting and killing one man and wounding two others.

Mrs. Delia Fallon is one of the most seriously injured of last night's victims. She was standing in front of her home with her baby in her arms when the two men, pursued by a crowd, came down the street. they passed her one of them fired and the bullet entered her head. She was removed to a hospital in a critical condition.

It is believed that the desperadoes lay concealed in Calvary cemetery while the police were hunting for them on account of Tuesday night's hold up and robbery. The robbers fled with hundreds of

men pursuing, and soon disappeared in Franklin park, shooting down Officer Cox near the park gate. As soon as possible a cordon of po-

lice, armed with rifles and revolvers, was thrown about the park. Patrolmen McMahon and Thompson sighted the supposed Italians in the neighborhood of the park late in the evening and went down before

their fire. Herbert E. Knox, the night watchman of the Forest Hills cemetery, who was shot in the abdomen by one of the desperadoes, died at the Emer son hospital late last night.

#### Plasterers Fell 50 Feet.

St. Louis.—During mass Wednes Francis day at St. Francis de Sales church two plasterers fell 50 feet to the floor, near Rev. Holweck, who was celebrating the mass. One man was killed.

Battleships Resume Their Voyage. Honolulu, Hawaii.—The Altantic battleship fleet bade adieu to Hawaii on Wednesday and sailed for Auckland, N. Z., the next point on its world itinerary, where it is due to arrive on August 8.

## AN AMERICAN IS THE VICTOR

JOHN J. HAYES WINS THE MARA-THON RACE IN ENGLAND.

Yankee Sprinters Completely Outclassed the Englishmen. Who Were Expected to Win.

London, England.-It would be no exaggeration in the minds of any of the 100,000 spectators who witnessed the finishing struggle of the Marathon race (26 miles) at the Olympian are-Friday to say that it was the most thrilling athletic event that has oc-curred since that Marathon race in ancient Greece, where the victor fell dead at the goal and, with a wave of triumph, died.

Since the beginning of the Olympic games the great rivalry has been be-tween England and America and while the minor competitions on the track and field, in which the two na-tions specialized, were fought out, Englishmen consoled themselves for all the American successes by the thought that in the domain of long distance running they always had been supreme, and whatever prizes they failed to grasp in this the colonials would pick up.

The sequel may be told briefly. Six Americans started in the Marathon race and nine English runners. Of the first ten men to reach the coveted goal, four were Americans and they are officially placed as follows:

John Hayes, first; Joseph Forshaw, Missouri Athletic club, third; A. R. Welton, Lawrence Y. M. C. A., fourth, and Lewis Tewinipa, the Carlisle Indian pick. dian, ninth.

The second man was Hefferon of South Africa. He was the oldest among the runners, having 34 years to his credit, and he made a rem able pace almost to the end of the struggle.

The first Englishman who crossed the line came in tweifth. He was W. T. Clarke and was not one of those counted upon to win. Duncan, the former English champion, who won the preliminary English trial, fell out at the twelfth mile.

The race is not only a triumph for the United States but, in a larger sense, for America, because seven of the leaders at the end were from North America. The three Canadians, the Indian Simpson and Laws n finished fifth, sixth and seventh. espectively. It will not snatch any laurels from the brow of Hayes, who won a good race, to say that the hero of the day

although he did not win, deserved to Durando crossed the line first, but as he fell several times after he en-tered the stadium and each time was helped to his feet by over-zealous officials, he was disqualified. The judges' decision was unanimous that

was the Italian Dorando. The sympathy of every person in the stadium

went out to the gallant Italian, who,

#### Hayes won the race properly. SULTAN SURPRISES TURKS.

He Grants a Constitution to His People and Orders a Parliament to Assemble.

Constantinople, Turkey.-After 32 ears of autocratic rule under Sultan Abdul Hamid II., Turkey again has been granted a constitution. An imperial irade was issued Friday ordering that a chamber of deputies be assembled. This present constitution is practically a restoration of the one proclaimed December 23, 1876, by the present sultan immediately following

his elevation to the sultanate. This action on the part of the sultan, which came as a complete surprise to all observers of the progress of events in Turkey, was wrested from him by the Young Turks, a political party that has been for many years for the establishment of a constitutional government

#### FINANCE AND TRADE.

Retail Business Is More Active and the Percentage of Idle Machinery Gradually Decreases.

New York City.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Industrial plants gradually enlarge the percentage of active machinery, furnishing more work for wage earn ers, which stimulates retail while favorable crop progress strengthens confidence in a continu-ance of recovery in business. New centracts for steel produces are being placed with more freedom, and collieries resume that were closed by the drouth.

Outside representatives of jobbing houses are numerous in the primary market for cotton goods, but operations are restricted, as is customary at this season.

#### A Battle With Indians.

Tucson, Ariz. - In a fierce battle between Mexican troops and Papago Indians last Tuesday near Getro, a mining camp in Sonora, Mexico, 19 Indians and two soldiers were killed.

### Hughes Wants Another Term

Saranac Inn, N. Y. — Gov. Hughes will accept a renomination if the Republican party of this state desires him to again be its candidate. In a statement made public Friday the governor so declares himself

#### A Daring Crime.

Philadelphia, Pa. - After choking Joseph, A. Vaughn, a bank runner, and robbing him of \$1,900 on a trolley car Friday, a man whose identity is unknown dashed through the car and escaped.

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