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They that govern the most make the least noise .- John Selden.

A man named Saerbes Rsowrddes ought not to be an assassin; he ought to be an interpreter.

If Great Britain had even two Lloyd Georges she would not need 5,000,-000 men under arms.

It is just as cheap to keep clean of the La Follette insurgency. The Reas it was before the war. The price of publican party is reunited on the two soap has not gone up. -

What a pity the so-called "Ginger party" in the British Parliament can't inject a little of it into the army.

Bourke Cockran has professed belief in many conflicting political doctrines, but he has remained an Irishman through it all.

The American dollar is now said to be the standard of the world. As is the case with most standards, we fail to reach it.

There may be a better political reporter than Sam Blythe, but he has not yet been discovered. Mr. Blythe will re- Is Mr. Root against preparedness? They port both of the great conventions for the EVENING LEDGER.

George yon L. Meyer pointed a warning finger at Hughes and said that he has the fine courage to say he believes the Republicans could not accept a man he is that leader. on faith. Several other candidates would have to be accepted on hope and charity.

Senator Penrose may absent himself at pleasure from Washington, but it ism personified. He cannot even be said is not recorded that he stays away from to be the typical American. There is the national conventions. When a man cannot make tariffs he is interested in making lander-he is a fine American, too. There candidates.

Let's see, wasn't it Theodore Roosewhit who was shouting for the recall of men of Scandinavian extraction in the Judges four years ago? It was, yet we notice no great enthusiasm on his part over the proposal to recall Justice Hughes to the service of the party.

that the endowment fund will not only be made up but will be righty deserved. The Orchestra is to be congratulated mightily on its good fortune and Philadelphia on having the man who is making it possible for perhaps a thousand others to endow its great artistic force.

NO BOLTING, COLONEL!

Rossrett is before the country as a "All very well, but you'll be wasting Republican, because the Progressive Party is now an empty name. He must abhree the right to bolt, for a forced nomination would speil Repubthe time of our household editor next." We foolishly removed the protecting eft from our jaw and inquired "How?" llean defeat. The answer came across: "Asking for recipe to take rust off a pen."

ROOSEVELT faces the supreme test of a splendid career. It is not a test So we determined to write a poem of strength, but a test of honor. It is not on the big question of the day. After some thought we got as far as the title: a test of his grasp of the international situation, but of his grasp of the national situation. It is a test of his loyalty to Then the paper mail came in and here the Republican party and to Republican

if Bert Taylor hadn't written for the Chiprinciples. cago Tribune the very thing we had in His power to name the candidate lles, mind: according to the candid admission of

many of his followers, in his power to bolt. There was an unselfish excuse for his bolt of June, 1912, because a well-

similating those features of the movement

which were good. This is tacitly admitted

by Mr. Roosevelt in his failure to reassert

with emphasis either the good or bad

features of his 1912 platform. He has

swept clear the decks for something new.

If he thought such faulty idealisms as the

recall of judicial decisions were popular

mandates, he may have been justified in

responding to them. But there is no party

now which demands such things, and

there is no longer any significant vestige

great issues of the tariff and preparedness, and the rank and file who bolted in

1912 are now so sobered by a realization

of the importance of these issues as to

make bolting seem to them a treachery

that would be either unpatriotic or utter

madness.

tion That agitates the G., so called, O. P., defined party had formed about the In-"hat gives the Elephant an indigestion, And blows the party leaders out to sea. surgent leaders-well-defined from the Republican party long before Roosevelt Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to swallow came back from Africa. Roosevelt simply took the Insurgent party and rechris-

A bitter and unsugarcoated pill, With victory almost as sure to follow As cock to crow, or water run downhill tened it the Progressive party. This In surgent (or Progressive) party was doomed Or to take arms against the sea of faces to extinction, because the Republican That greets the People's Idol everywhere, toaring approval of his commonplaces, And spilling "We want Teddy!" on the party learned its lesson and made its future the more secure by adopting and as-

Tom Daly's Column

TODAY (meaning yesterday to you

L dear reader) we were bragging about

our clever contribs.; whereupon our boss

who-as George L. Byron once said of

another-is the mildest-mannered man

THE SITUATION IN CHICAGO

Ted-dy or not Ted-dy? That in the ques

that-er-eves lived, remarked:

air. To live-to win, with one whose fond endeavor

Has been to flout the party's sacred laws? To die-to sleep, for years, perhaps forever ?-

Gosh! That's what gives the Grand Old Party pause!

What's Your Sword of Damocles? Ours is that the cigar which is even-

tually going to be

named for us will be a two-for. Macaroni Ballads

LXIII. AWAY FROM TOWN don'ta care cef all dees town

Then what of this cry that "Roosevelt Turn opside-down may bolt"? What is there to bolt from? An' carth-quake com' along som' day What is there to bolt to? You cannot An' bust cet op. I gona 'way; bolt from a Republican party that ac-I won't be dere! cepts your views to a Progressive party At las' I gona turn my face that exists only in name. What is this From evratheeng een deesa place. issue between Mr. Roosevelt on the one

I don'ta care! hand and Justice Hughes, Mr. Burton, Mr. Weeks, Mr. Root on the other? Is it don'ta care for town nohow: the tariff, preparedness, Americanism? Is 'm farmer now! Justice Hughes not a good American? I gotta house dat stan's alone, Is Mr. Burton against a protective tariff? Three lectla rooms-but all my own-Wan bed, two chair,

are sound on all these issues. Mr. Roose-Wan stove, two table an' wan wife. velt's one point of differentiation is his So for dees town, you bat my life, powerful personality. He thinks the I don'ta care! country is calling for a great leader and

I don'ta care for ceety street; Est smals not sweet. Roosevelt as such a leader-simply in But now I know how mooch cet's worth

Americanism-is a magnificent exponent To own som' lectla cleana earth, of virile Americanism. But he is not the To own som' air composite American-he is not American Dat's sweet as wine upon da breath-Here even cef I starve to death,

## I don'ta care! Regrets

is the Southerner and his type of chival-(Letter received by a local "real estater.") rous idealism, different from Roosevelt, but a great American, too. There are the North Central States, the men of German extraction in the Middle West-they are all very different from Roosevelt, but good Americans all the same. Roosevelt is a

Of hardships he'd had to endure,

"It's hell!" I exclaimed. Pat said, "Sure!

but the writer's father intercented it.

dear sir it is true I have look at the house as you requeast in your agents letter but there is not nowheres near enough flow to the water in the spicketts in the bathroom and besides we must have for washday statutory tubs or my Wife will not live in it. So your water supply is inaqueduct m we cannot take the house but I am sorry. REDUCED.

This Department is free to all readers who wish to express their opinions on subjects of purrent interest. It is an open forum, and the Evening Ledger assumes no responsibility for the views of its correspondents. that Viscount Midleton disagrees CONGRESS ALONE CAN HELP To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir—The poor people must not allow themselves to be misled by the noise of Roosevelt or any presidential nominec. for

THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Brandeis and Other Matters

other words, that Ireland was Sinn Fein in other words, that freiand was Sinn Fein in sentiment and anti-English and in favor of Irish independence, whereas your special correspondent quotes jarveys and poor old women to prove that Ireland is against the seculation no promises can feed our stomachs, which have been half starved in the last 20 years

of food, etc. A presidential nominee has always been a more blind. The President of the United States can make no laws of Miss Adair? FAIR PLAY. the land. It is Congress that does all the lawmaking. Senators and Representatives, if owned by the "interests." as they are in most cases, can "protect" the interests

FITNESS OF MR. BRANDEIS To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir-It certainly is a gross disgrace how

by ignoring the proposed laws opposed by them. This can be proved, because the prices of food, cosl, etc., have been going up. unjustly the legal practitioners are knocked up and up unchecked in 20 years. Investi-gations after investigations have amounted to nothing in that time. Eight dollars a ton for coal, 8 cents a pound for sugar, 25 by all. To my mind, the best thing that could happen would be for the Senate to cast a favorable vote for the appointment of Mr. Brandeis to fill the place left vacan by the death of Justice Lamar. When Brandeis' name was suggested by cents and up a pound for meat, etc., are live-wire proofs that a Coal Trust, a Sugar Trust, a Beef Trust, etc., do exist. The peo-

President Wilson his honesty and integrity ple must get at the threats of our own "Maxican" bandits right about us—the coal bandit, the sugar bandit, the beef bandit, were at first strenuously disputed. At to five months to put down all opposition, and then followed that much-looked for favorA DISOWNED SON OF ROYALTY

Why Judge Ord, of Omaha and Washington, Believed He Was **Rightfully King James III** of England

By JOHN ELFRETH WATKINS (Copyright.)

TF YOU had your rights in England, I James, you would be somebody very great. It would make you miserable to know more. God forgive those who have wronged you, lad!"

No greater satisfaction than this would James Ord ever give to his nephew and namesake, the riddle of whose identity gnawed at his soul during fourscore years and more.

About the time when our seat of gov. ernment was being moved to the banks of the Potomac this man and boy had come from Europe to seek their fortunes in the new Federal City. James, the elder, became a master mechanic at the Washington Navy Yard, where he was known as Captain Ord.

The boy, James Ord, was entered at Georgetown College. A plentiful supply of money, out of all proportion to his Uncle James' wages and apparent means, was regularly appropriated for his education and maintenance. Throughout his college days the youth was given to spells of brooding over the uncertainty of his identity. Not until he faced death did Captain Ord relax his determination to keep the secret, but before he could more than gasp-"James, lad, I've something important to tell you. Your father was-" the deathbed rattle prevented further articulation.

"To my beloved nephew, James Ord," the old man's property was devised in a will still on file at Washington. But funds far greater than the possible yield of this meagre estate continued to support the lonely boy.

Sudden Prosperity of His Uncle

Even before leaving college young Ord determined to dedicate his life to a search for his antecedents. The record of Captain Ord was carefully investigated, and it was discovered that he had never held officer's rank. While but a humble sailor in the British Navy, he had been discharged in 1779. Seven years later he had enjoyed a sudden change of fortage. Through some influence at the Billish court he had been given a fat berth as Balboa as dockyard inspector, under the commission of the King of Spain. James further discovered that his own birth had occurred in England immediately prior to his uncle's departure for Spain.

That his mysterious patron across the water continued to fear him was further evidenced to James during the War of 1812, when certain persons, later learned to have been British spies, enticed him to enlist in the American army. And only after it was too late did the youth realize that he had committed technical treason to the land of his birth, an act that invalidated any possible claim to British title

or estates. After the War of 1812 James Ord prac ticed law in New York and married. Then came the call of the land of gold. He crossed the continent and fortune smiled upon him. Having amassed great wealth, he attained distinction on the bench. Later he returned to Washington and built for himself a handsome home on Pennsylvania avenue. Then he removed to Omaha, where he died, at the age of 97. During his 80 years of ransacking through musty records Judge Ord came he was 48 did he gain possession of his uncle's confidential papers. Among these was a letter from one who revealed himself as a priest. It came from Europe, and asked:

with Ellen Adair. He said in his testi-mony that John Redmond could not carry a seat in Ireland; that he could not go to Ireland without endangering his life; in

Chief Secretary for Ireland Birrell in his testimony said: "If a German landing with arms and ammunition had been effected, the whole population might have joined in." Somebody must be mistaken. Could it be

WELL, HERE WE ARE AGAIN!

CONTROL

Philadelphia, May 24.

A Real Live Congress Demanded to Legislate for the People-Ellen Queries of general interest will be answered in this column. Ten questions, the unswers to which every well-informed person should know, are asked daily.

What Do You Know?

1. "The war is an impasse," says a news dis-

- Antonia

8. What are the doldrums?

o. Which is farther east, Lake Erie or Lake Ontario?

. The attempt on Boosevelt's life was in 1912.

Marne. 8. Typewriter key arangementa are stand-

3. Petty's Island is in the Delaware in the bend north of Camden. 4. "Bloomers' were named for Amelia J. Bloomer, dress reformer. 5. The Battle of the Sea of Japan was fought

in 1905. The Japanese defeated the Russiana

7. Gallient improvised the auto transport which resulted in the victory of the

ardized in frequently recurring combina- upon many bits of evidence. Not until

Adair's Irish Articles Criticised-The Case of Mr. OUIZ

patch. Define "impasse." 2. Locate Bartram's Gurden in Philadelphia. 3. About what are the minimum and maximum

speeds of battleships? 4. Is the earth a sphere? 5. What will \$5000 amount to at 6 per

compound interest in 100 years? 6. What is meant by stock dividends? 7. Name three great leaders in the

Revolution.

9. What is Scotland Yard?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz 1. Taft is a professor at Yale. 2. "Ossawatomie." a nickname of John Brown,

In this period of ultimatums it appears that we are in receipt of one from Carranza, or something like an ultimatum. The more we fool with irresponsible, fly-by-night bandits, the more trouble we get into. The sore has been poulticed long enough.

When Demaratus was asked whether he held his tongue because he was a fool or for want of words, he replied, "A fool cannot hold his tongue."--Plu-

Respectfully submitted to the at tention of those who are clamoring about him he may win. If he is accepted by a the office of a certain Supreme Court Justice.

The roast beef of old England- not stand for such "fakes." raised nowadays chiefly on the American prilries-is getting so scarce that the the candidate of the convention, because Government is considering the wisdom of he is before the country as a Republican, taking possession of all the meat and and not as a Progressive. He is against dealing it out in rations. It begins to the hyphen. Let him, then, make it clear look as if Hunger would be the harbinger to the country that he himself is not of peace.

One of the most important peace atterances of recent months is contained in the statements made by Count Tisza, the Hungarian Premier, tdiCarl W. Ackerman, which appeared in the Evening LEBGER yesterday. The Count remarked that when the war began the Allies talked about dismembering the Central Empires and dividing their lands, but that the Central Empires had no idea of dismemhering other nations. "We are fighting a defensive war," said he. "It is easy for us to make peace at any time," he added. When the Ailies are ready the Central impires are ready, but he does not find the Allies in any mood to face the conditions without the recognition of which time can be no permanent peace.

The long-desired and almost easenthat guarantes of the Fhiladelphia Orchestra's independence and permanence, an ment fund, comes to the organizaunder the most favorable circum-An anonymous donor, offering pur the Orchestra's deficits for the tive years, allows the guaranters to to up a permatient fund. In this way attack on Vera Cruz to compel Huertd of the faw objectionable features of to salute the flag. The flag has not been ments is eliminated, for the fund. th it depends on the generosity of ann, is notually the contribution of and the control of the Orchestra in search of Villa marched to Parral and way importied. The conditions has started to march back sgain. hald down are buildness matters, with reputices, and as business matters American Government is new pursuing business of the Orchastus's Freedum intermines. We do not know what an-

the no diminishing of its wouderful The exception itself is bound are confident that if the Administration sing to patruns of the Grohestra. know exactly what its real intentions in a summer that Lacould Stokewest the premises were it would be much s alors grainmant and the purposes,

ican. The nation will have a great and, Pat had fought with a "wild Irish" troop, in a broad sense, a typically American President if either of them becomes Pres-He had felt the sting of a spear, A bullet had torn his left earident.

It is, therefore, on solid American But now he was scrubbing our stoop. grounds, up to Roosevelt, to let a repre-He told me of slaugter and gore, sentative convention make its own choice of what it considers the best "typical" American without allowing his more fervent followers to hold over that conven-But poverty's heller than war." G. L. tion the "fake" club of a possible boltof a possible third-party movement. For TS MR. PEIRCE, of the city's teaching it is a "fake" club. If Roosevelt is nomcorps, in the audience? We have a inated by a convention that really wants latter which should have gone to you, sir,

slow but sure, close-mouthed New Eng-

good American. Hughes is a good Amer-

convention daunted by a "fake" threat, he will go down to defeat in the ruins of a party. For the American people will

Roosevelt must be willing to support tainted with the hyphen spirit - the hyphen spirit of Progressive-Republicanism or Republican-Progressivism. The

Republican party is the progressive party. A triangular fight is obnoxious to our American character - we love a straight, fair fight between two clean, clear ideas. Mr. Roosevelt's name cannot come be-

fore the convention as that of the leader of a same and responsible group of Republicans unless he gives definite assurance that he will give unqualified support to that Republican, whoever he may be, whom the delegates, acting as the free and direct instruments of the desires of Republican voters, shall nominate.

JUSTIFIABLE CURIOSITY

gers while in Vera Cruz. The expedition

Carranza says that the course the

buyer room for suspicion as to its real interfiions. We do not know what an-

ower will be given to this note, but we

CARRANZA wants to know why the American troops are remaining in Mesico. They are doing nothing, he says. and he cannot understand why they stay. His curiosity is justifiable. The troops went there to catch Villa and his company of bandits. Villa is still at large and bandits are still operating. The expedition thus far has been no more succonstul than was President Wilson's naval miuted and the American troops occupied manuelves as streat cleaners and scaven-

Here it is: NOTICE! MR. PEIRCE-YOU THE BETTER QUIT MITTING US FELLOWS OR WE HAS BOING TO SEND TO THE BOARD OF FOUCATION WE ALS MICHT TAKE MATTERS INTO

OVA OWN HANDLE THERE WATCH YOUR-SELF AND DAT HIT ANOTHER FELLOW!



D for our favorite evening paper has rushed in to answer the question, "How ong should a girl of 18 wear her skirts?" we see no reason why we shouldn't make a stab at it. We say: "Until 10 o'clock." for no 18-year-oldess should be up later than that.

COMB of the hotels that have passed up D the extra charge for bread and butter seem to be hard put to it to startle the public. On the menu at Dooner's yesterday we noticed among the desserts:

Cup of Cold Consomma Jelly 15. If, strolling upon Ridge avenue, you should see this sign, PROF. ZUKE

Scientific and Sanitary Bootblack

do not laugh at it. In these days of sud-den fame none of us can tell when some-body will come lighing our bosts, and we should be considerate of the health of the union people

Would it be safe to assume that "The Cagino Technical High School of East Fittaburgh. Pennsylvania," specializes in the more difficult or highly technical branches of the well-known terpatchorsean art? E.A.M.

THIS is positively our last word upon this subject, but we want to get it right and sattled for all time. First of all, Strick Gillian wrote "The Intiquity of Microbes: Adam Had 'Em'': then Robertus Love, of St. Louis, wrote "An Attempt to Shorton Gillian's Alleged Shortest Poem: I try"; and the still shortsny poem, "Of no." turned into this column several days ago as wondarier for the next five maker to make a satisfactory response by a contributor, was written by failling worthy tothols to the spin-bld than it will be in the present chaotic as a final someback to Mr. Lov's fatile silfort,

ste. The people must do something them selves to check these bandits, growing bolder and bolder.

No nation can endure with even on monopoly. One monopoly in 50 years will own this republic, body and soul, and everything there is in it, exactly like Mexco. a greed-cursed country.

because of the constantly advancing prices

ico, a greed-cursed country. We need no real, live President, whether Democratic or Republican. Any intelligent American citizen can make a creditable President, like Wilson, What we need most

resident, new winton, what we need most now is a real, live Congress. We must have live representatives of the government of the people, for the people and by the people. The people have heretofore blindly or ignorantly elected the tools of the government of the interests, for the interests and by the nterests

It is high time the people have a real, live preparedness—they must prepare to learn what Congress means. All Federal laws are made in Congress-not in the White House.

When one party wins over another, both parties should work together for the good of the whole country. This is true Ameri-can citizenship. The people, peopare your-selves no more to be fooled by a dummy presidential nominee. This your live preparedness can make any President fight for us at all costs-not for the interests. M. P. L.

Philadelphia, May 29.

THE ATTITUDE OF IRELAND To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir-When reading the intensely

Irish description of the conditions in Ireland as written by your correspondent, "Ellen Adair," it dawned upon me that possibly the reason for the prejudice displayed in her articles may be found in the statement which I have read in former articles from her pen-that she was born in Scotland and that one of her brothers lost his life at finit one of her bothers was the metal of the fallipoli fighting as a British soldier. Under the circumstances it is only human that Miss Adair should be, to say the least, extremely unsympathetic toward any movement which came into opposition to

British interests, and in particular toward a movement which in open battle involved the risking of the lives of British soldiers. Mins Adair describes how an Irish volun-ter clubbed to death a wounded English soldier. I would not think of questioning her veracity, but I might suggest the thought that in July, 1914, three unarmed,

KANSAS ON DEFENSE

KANSAS ON DEFENSE No American expects that such an army and such a fleet will be sent against un-but every real American demands just if the emergency arises it can be met as has reary other crisis that has ever arisen. It is idle to mention names when calling the roll of possible enemies and possible aligned as "our tack ally," the infer-ance being that Germany was the "tack for," Yet America has fought two wars with England as "our tack ally," the infer-sor guar national life half a century ago England was equipping the South with privataers to prey on the commerce of the North while hundreds of thousands of brave Germans ware fighting for the Union. Parhage a faw Englishmen volunteered for the service—perhaps—Kansas City Jourthat service-perhaps -Kansas City Jour-

### SAUCE FOR THE GOOSE-STEP

nat

The German-American organization that that the munition trade a stigma or particul history scale and alluit that around history could be stigmatized in

ble decision from the Senate committee The committee showed by its judgment that that lawyer was not one who would ever be looking for easy money and that his

worth was rewarded. Where did you ever see a lawyer who would not take money? There is one, hall soon bear the title of Associate whe tice. There are as many others as there are in every line of professional endeavor. So don't knock the brains of the country, the lawyers ABE MEYERS. Philadelphia, May 27.

## THE TARIFF IS PARTISAN

To the Editor of Evening Ledger: Sir-A tariff commission cannot, in my pinion, ever be made absolutely nonparti-an, because it is going to be influenced

by the President who appoints it, and every human being with any opinion will always be one thing or another on the tariff ques-tion; that is, either a protectionist or not a protectionist. So as long-as a Republican President has charge of a commission we will have protection or vice versa, tariff commission or no tariff commission. And

cannot conceive of either of the two parties ever giving up their respective doc-trines on the tariff. It will always be a fight, as it was from the beginning. On the other hand, as to the nonpartisan sion itself, granting that it really would be nonpartisan, that means that there will be an equal number of the two views on the board, which would mean that one half would set a protective figure on goods and the other half a free trade figure. Then prithee, all that would be necessary would be to add the two figures, divide by two, and lo, we have the average. Now, in my opinion, that is not a protective tariff as ad-vocated by the Republican party. This country either needs a protective tariff or it does not, one or the other; not a compromise, a half-way business. That would suit nobody and we would have very little protection. So I can't conceive how the Republicar So I can't conceive now the Republican party could ever countenance a nonpartisan tariff and live. The only good thing I can see in it is another grist of political jobs of the ten or more thousand dollar variety.

besides the other numerous expenses, and that's N. G.

But I'm willing to forgive the Hon. Jus-tice Charles Evans Hughes for his tariff commission idea in view of the rest of his sound conservative principles, which suit oh au thought that in July, 1914, three unarmed, defenseless women were shot to death in the atrects of Dublin by those British "Tom-miss" whom your special correspondent de-scribes so affectionately. And it seems to

NATIONAL POINT OF VIEW

Mr. Justice Hughes' conduct since his name was put in the running by others has been unexceptionably correct in every par-ticular. He has not lifted a finger or stirred a fibre of his larynx to attract to himself the nomination. His demeanor under the circumstances has been a model of that which the Supreme bench should display when politics is mentioned —New York Sun.

It is a great mistake to imagine that, with Villa eliminated by death by capture, the Meximan problem would be to all in-tents and purposes noived, so far as this country is concorned. For Villa is, after all, but a particular type of the bandis chiefe will are bound to appear til the Government of the mainthoring republic rents upon something more mild than por-minate indership more mild than por-minate indership not

tions of letters.

9. The home plate is a pentagon with rectilinear side toward the pitcher. 10. The Verdun battle has lasted 100 days.

### Mothers' Pensions

Editor of "What Do You Know" --- Will you please inform me where a widow with small children may go to obtain a mother's pension in Schuylkill County? To whom shall she go for advice? Has the pensio bill been passed? INTERESTED. There is a mothers' pension act in force in Pennsylvania, the State co-operating with county boards of trustees. Write to Gle supervisor, Mothers' Pension Miss Board, Harrisburg, Pa., and she will inform you to whom to apply in your county

## Fahrenheit's Career

Eritor of "What Do You Know?"-Can you telle me a few facts about the life of Fahrenheit, who invented the therm A. F

Gabriel Daniel Fahrenhelt, born 1686, died 1736, was the man who first conceived the idea of using mercury instead of alcohol in the construction of thermometers. "Invention" was, therefore, an imp His an improvement, for the accuracy of the instrument already in use, was greatly improved by the substitution of the registering material. He first used mercury for this purpose in 1720. As for his life, it was guite simple. He As for his life, it was guite simple. He was born in Danzig, Germany; gave up a mercantile life in order to devote himself to scientific research; traveled through most of Europe and settled in Holland. Four years after his work with the ther-mometer, he was elected a fellow of the Royal Society in London and published sev-eral papers through that body. His other discoveries were that other liquids beelds water had a fixed boiling point and that the boiling point varies with a change in the pressure of the atmosphere. He, of course, devised the scale of graduating the the pressure of the atmosphere. He, of course, devised the scale of graduating the thermometers known by his name.

#### Women Inventors

Editor of "What Do You Know"-Will you kindly let me know the name of some scent women patentees, or any important recent women pacetose, or any important inventions of American women, particularly of recent years. ANON. Perhaps some of our readers can supply the information asked for in the above

letter.

### Penny Weddings

Editor of "What Do You Know"-Can you tall me what the ancient Scottish cus-tom of penny weddings means? Do they still take place? MrcG. They were wedding banquets in Scotland to which a number of persons were in-vited. Each of them paid a small sum of

vited factor of them paid a small sum of monsy, not more than a shilling. When the expenses of the wedding had been paid, in-cluding the wedding feast, what was left was handed over to the newly wedded couple to aid in furnishing their hems. The custom was abeliahed in 1545. Siz Walter Scott mentions the custom in "The For-tunes of Nigel," chapter 27.

### "Not War"

"Not war" Editor of "What Do You Know"-In an account of the battle of Loos I read re-cently that it was magnificant but in that it wasn't war. The phrase sounds familiar but I would like to know just when it was said. Was it in the Revolution? W. E. E.

No. Marshal Campohart said, appropriate of the charge of the Light Bright a Bal-akava (the same as that which furnishes the subject for Tennyson's possi) "Gest magnificate, make as invest one for pusces," which is the Franch for your quotation."

#### "Is the child alive?"

"Your Father Was Son of a King"

At this time there still lived in Washington Captain Ord's confessor and confidant, Father Matthews, of St. Patrick's Church, a patriarch of 82 years. A sworn statement from this prelate quoted the navy yard master mechanic as having once confessed "that the child called James Ord and his nephew was not his nephew, but of royal parentage, the son

of one of the royal families of Europe." "Your father was one of the sons of King George III," the aged priest later confided to Judge Ord. "He admitted to me\_once that his promotion to the Spanish service had been obtained by a personage none other than the Prince of Wales himself. And actual negotiations were carried on by an uncle of Maria Anne Smythe Fitzherbert, wife of George IV."

Judge Ord thereafter firmly believed that his parents were George IV and the widow whom that prince married in 1785, before he became King. His own birth had occurred within the year following their secret marriage, and almost immediately afterward had come his abduction into Spain. Rumors that a child had been born to the morganatic union had persisted almost from the time news of the Prince's marriage had leaked out,

The baby was said to have been taken to the United States. James Ord wrote to Mrs. Fitzherbert a letter, which should have touched any mother's heart, and it was delivered to her in secret, through the connivance of Aaron Vall, our charge d'affaires at London. She never replied. Shortly afterward, upon her deathbed, she requested that a certain mysterious package of papers be consigned to a vault in Coutts' Bank, London, there to remain until long after her royal husband's death. Fearing that this secret packet contained something that would compro-

mise him, George IV made many futile efforts to obtain it.

Judge Ord died firmly belleving that it contained proof of his royal parentage. but when opened by order of King Edward in 1905 it was found to contain nothing intimating that the morganatio wife of George IV had borne him a child.

#### PREPARE!

Our great danger is in a present of timism that minimizes the possibility of a change in our fortunes as sudden as was that caused by the outbreak of the war.--Rochester Post-Express.

### WHAT IS SOCIALISTIC ?

The socialistic tendencies of the Bosios havyer are serious the most dangerous classents in his character, and the Supremi Court of the United States is the hast place where each an indusence should creep in-

Colonel Roosevelt says a man must be ominated who can get both the Republican and the Progressive votes. Wonder what man he has in mind?--Charleston News and Courier.