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Life, as we call it, is nothing but the edge of the boundless ocean of existence where it comes on soundings.—O. W. Holmes.

> One more day left to swear off. "You're another" was never a very

convincing argument.

Price of oil up ten cents.-Headline. Guess what college is to get a New Year's endowment.

paved with good intentions did not intend to remind us that they were of come use after all. Senator Poindexter evidently wants

the President to conduct his diplomatic negotiations with the aid of a megaphone and a cheer leader.

Mexican railroad seeks a new mora-

It ought to ask Carranza how to get it. He seems to be able to enforce a moratorium upon Uncle Sam at will.

Now they are urging a government liquor monopoly in Great Britain in imitation of backward Russia. Perhaps they mean it as a compliment to their

There is an average of a little more than fourteen fires every day in this city. The total number for the year is about 5350. The efficiency of the firesible to prevent great conflagrations. The men are handicapped by old-fashloned apparatus and rotten hose and have to work under most trying conditions. Yet, in spite of it all, they are making records unsurpassed in any other city.

What's the use having a censor if he permits a Senator to make a show of & Governor? Obviously a proper regard for the morals of the young requires that such hot stuff as has been emitted in the last few days should be prohibited. Bo we shall have a new censor who can tell which side of the political fence is The right side and identify morality when he sees it pinned to the bosom of a mpous statesman. The war among the lack kettles approaches, so to say, the boiling point.

The mummers' parade is a tra-Hition that has been passed down to us y the really old Philadelphia families, who have always been too proud or too oor to buy their way into the Assembly, is a masterpiece of democracy that wers in the gorgeous raiment of kings on our winter streets with all the armth and miracle of a Christmas tree. To shall not be lost so long as we keep ur mummers. Their tinsel and gewaws are a sounder promise of continued realth and energy than all our diamonds end pearls.

Whoever is curious to know why British are not yet ready to talk se save on their own terms may find aformation in the following figures: 1810

(Close of the Napoleonic wars) Population of the United Kingdom 20,000,000 National debt \$4,475,000,000 Per capita debt 223 20,000,000 Population of the United
Kingdom 46,000,000
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British population \$240 In terms of population the debt thus for incurred in this war is about the same as that incurred in the Napoleonic In terms of national income the stoot in less than one-third as great as that which burdened the nation when

1910

Napoleon was sent to St. Helena, We desire to protest against the Support manner in which the Cincinnati correspondents have been writing of the projectal changes in men's fashions as millimed by the president of the National Organization. So much the better. So Association of Clothing Designara. No much tite easier will it be to destroy the philect deserves more serious considerais Before the world was civilized lines were merely protection from the wint giving thought to the style means he will have only to file guarts at an aroumbly ball maraty to keep warm.

HIR how would these coa-

released. It is necessary only to project a Burely utilitarian contains against the background of the accessories of modern civilization to perceive that style in clothing is interwoven with our whole social fabric. When once this is admitted all the rest follows. Whether a man's evening trousers should have a wide I weesh I was een Italy! or a narrow braid down the legs or should be braidless takes proper rank But-here ees place for mak' de mon'. along with the justice of a protective tariff; and whether the evening waistcoat should be silk or satio, veivet or Hnen, deserves as much thought as is given to the color of the postage stamps. An international conference was once called to settle this important question. We delegate the discussion of these pressing subjects to the clothing designers, just as we delegate our government to some one else. And we damn our tailors and our rulers with equal impartiality. It is only in some great crisis like that involved in a change of party control or in the styles of our coats and trousers that we recall that party government and clothes are both products of the higher forms of civilization.

GANG MUST BE DESTROYED!

THE wild epithets buried by the two factions of the Republican Organiza- Dees life ees tough as eet can be, tion are so richly deserved by both that | For evratheeng dat mak' you glad meh side, to save time, might as well throw the mud at itself. It is a mutual public confession. The two sides are equally discredited. The fundamental disgrace of this fight is that it is not sincere. When one faction foresses its barmony will come as swift as lightning.

If, following this final confession of organ ization selfishness and failure, the registered voters should permit a Vare Brumbaugh or a Penrose-McNichol Governor. to be evolved by a "reunited party," every moral standard of this community and every other community in the State would be lowered. Such cynical neglect of an obvious and simple duty would take all the moral starch out of every sermon preached from every pulpit in Pennsylvania, out of every speech, out of every The man who said that hell was educational discourse, out of every father's advice to his son, out of every Sunday school address, out of every public school song of patriotism, out of every prayer for "the President of the United States and all others in authority,"

There are other States in which the national organization of the dominant party has been consistently stolen by State politicians. The same old gold brick has been sold to the "farmers" for a generation—that because you are for a protective tariff and voted for United States Senator Doe, Republican, you should therefore vote for State Senator Roe, Republican, who cannot conceivably have anything to do with the making or unmaking of tariffs, but who calls himself a Republican. The same way with the Democrats. But the "farmers" have turned down the gold brick in State men is so great that it has been pos- after State, until now one can count on the fingers of one hand the Commonwealths that fail to split their tickets from time to time, going Democratic nationally and Republican or Independent on State issues, or Republican nationally and Democratic or Independent on State issues.

On the hand that counts those four or five "gold-bricked" States, Pennsylva nia is the sore thumb. Foreigners talk of Tammany as the arch-American gang. Tammany has been wrecked. It is as dead as Queen Anne. But the Pennsylvania oligarchy lives on and believes not merely that its power is eternal, but even that it can afford a running fight of its own, punctuated by brief truces that ring as false as its feuds.

Let it be cried from the housetops daily:

"This factional fight is not sincere. Penrose and Vare will fall into each other's arms, unrighteousness and war will kiss each other the moment a determined band of citizens, true to the death, stands up to wipe both factions off the political map." Good may come of this strife, in a sense, but no permanent good. Let us steal the thunder of that Roman Senator who closed every speech, who answered every argument, with his "Carthage must be destroyed." It may be said. "The faction that wins out must enact the necessary progressive legislative program to keep a foothold." Good, but the gang must be destroyed. "There are good men in the gang," Yes, but the gang must be destroyed. "The Organization may be teased into putting up a fairly good man for Governor." Aye, but the gang must be destroyed.

The man who accepts the support of either faction for Clovernor must be defeated. And the place to defeat him is in the Republican primary.

There are about eighteen months before us. The superb opportunity is at hand. Every day that passes is bringing Penrose or Vare nearer to that moment when he (either one, it doesn't matter which) will realize he is facing defeat, and, in the sneaky darkness, will make terms. Those terms may be unconditional surrender and may give the opposing faction complete power over the

Let every school teacher, every minconstitute of the weather. Any cov. later, every parent in this State, see this rould do. If one wishes to under- moral issue clearly-this enormous moral issue which fills the air we breathe and the sky above us.

The . What good is there in telling a boy to would be comfortable wrapped in do right and seek virtue if we, his elders, the sale, and a sheepskin or two intend to go on year after year until ho emough to keep each beau reaches munhood without moving a linger ok in the baltroom, with its to do this one good, right and most boosts; lights, silks and obvious and easy thing?

Tom Daly's Column

McAronl Ballada THORNS AND THINGS I. Tony McAroni, me, For dere see shine da warma sun.

Dat's how cet go, my frand; you see, Dees life ees tough as eet can be, For evratheeny dat mak' you plad Breeng som'theeng alse dat mak' you sad.

Dese roses, too, ces like da rest, For we'en you love dem da best An' leeft wan een your hand to smal Ect's potta thorn dat steeng like half

Eef you like musharooms to eat, An' you go buy som' een da street, You best look out, or you be seeck Weeth bad hop-stools dat keell you queeck!

So even eef you taka wife For mak' you happy een your life, You find dat dough her mouth ees sweet Dere's sharps tongue censide of cet.

Eo w'af'sa use, my frand? You see, Breeng som'theeng alse dat mak' you sad

What Have You Observed?

In Barrie's play, now in New York, "A Kim for Cinderella," with the perenially young Maude Adams as the star, a mar says to the policeman: "Take off your hat ultimate defeat it will make terms, and please. I've never seen a policeman with out his hat!"

We had never thought of that, as Gold berg says. And then It occurred to us that we had never seen a cook in a Childs restaurant window without his cap, nor a beliboy without his buttons, nor a butcher without his apron. C. H. T.

WILL AN EASTER CARD APPEASE YOU? Dear Tom-I wrote you the other day hanking you for a Christmas card. I now find that you did not send me a Christmas card! The explanation is that the handwriting

on the card I received was so darn bad I thought it must be yours. Since I have had my glasses repaired I discovered my error. Accept my apologies and best wishes for T. H. MOORE

What "Pop" Gets Out of It It looks as though it would size up about like this:

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Between Litoreadors

(An aftermath of the Bankwet of the Literen-dors of the III Degree.) Simple Simon baked a Pie. Hugh Merr joshing her nearby. "Mistress Simon," spake Hugh Merr "At baking Pies you are a Bear." "Mr. Hugh Merr," Simon said, Eyes askance while baking bread, "Is your compliment because Doughy hands resemble claws?" SHON REA.

Sign en a canalboat tied up at the Main street bridge, in Buffalo: CAPACITY OF BOAT, 200 TONS. CAPACITY OF COOK, 2 QUARTS.

The Fate of Buckingham

TT WAS during one of the concluding rehearsals of "Richard III" in a New York theatre. That great and vigorous actor, Lawrence Barrett, in the role of the hunchbacked King, had worked himself up to a pitch of fury, as courier after courier came upon the stage with news of defection or disaster, and when the last messenger, a puny little man, entered with the welcome words,

the last Plantagenet pounced upon him like a tiger, shook him like a rat and hurled him back with that immortal line

My lord, the Duke of Buckingham is

of Colley Cibber, off with his head! - so much for

Buckingham! 'The little courier's face expressed such mixture of dismay and resentment at this rough handling that one of Barrett's small audience of personal friends, a brilliant newspaper man, saw that at this point of the play something unusual might well be expected, and, therefore, with true journalistic foresight, he attended the final rehearsal the following

Again the little messenger entered with the unexpected good news; again the furious Richard flung him back with the fateful words.

Off with his head!-so much for Huckingham! and again the maltreated courier glowered in his corner with deepening wrath

at the undeserved indignity. More hopeful still, the expectant jour salist was well up in front at the first public performance, awaiting the critical moment. It came. Richard, balted with ill tidings, stood to the left, fuming with rage. In at the extreme right came the little messenger with one palm extended us if in appeal for truce, trembling but determined. "My lord," he said, with a hurried glance over his left shoulder, 'My lord, the Duke of Buckingham is ta'en-and I've cut off his head!" And out he bounced.

Where Are Our Diplomats? Sir-When peace terms are finally dis-cursed America should demand that the lattlefeld sightseeing privileges in Rel-clum and elsewhere be said to the highest idday. They constitute a price ighting for, and should not be tamely mirrendered by us as a nation of tourists.



"HURRY UP"

Englishmen Do Not Believe We Mean What We Say About Peace, Because They Think We Do Not Know What We Mean

By GILBERT VIVIAN SELDES

LONDON, Dec. 12: TF YOU are to take the London and pro-L vincial newspapers as a guide to what is going on in the United States now you would learn only two things. The first is that the United States is growing rich self-ing things to the fighting nations. The sec-ond is that the United States is spending ond is that the United States is spending all its spare time trying to make peace. Every day there is at least one pacifiat item printed, and usually there is no other news, so the average Briton gots the impression that the whole country is in the grasp of "German agents" who are trying to snatch away the fruits of victory from England Just at present the fruit is a little sour, but no one believes that the bad time will last beyond the first of the year.

But there are persons who think over the But there are persons who think over the peace reports from the United States and again and again they have asked me how the United States can even suggest a league of nations. A man who has held a minor office in the United States and now holds a more important offices in one of the government departments put the question to me and then gave me his opinion. As nearly as I can remember, these are his words: "Do the people of the United States ever take the trouble to think about what they are saying? Some of your finest men— Lowell, Taft, Wilson, Ellot—all seem to be In favor of having all the great nations of the world unite to preserve peace, or even to enforce it against a nation which chooses to violate the law. Do they realize that that means Russia and Turkey mixing into the affairs of the United States and Cuba? And it means the United States niedging itself to send troops into the Balkans in case of a war between Austria-Hungary and

"That isn't all," he went on. "First, you give up the Monroe Doctrine, absolutely, because you can't expect the other nations of the world to accept your interest—if nothing more—in their business if you put a keep-out sign over your own gardens. Then you have to make yourself acquainted with all the complicated problems of the Sear East and the Far East, of Africa, Albania and Anatolia, and you must be ready not only to give a vote on these matters, but also to have the people of the country have the people of the country support that vote.

America's Isolation

"Now, honestly, I don't believe you will do it. I don't believe that the United States would be able to keep that kind of an agreement, and I hope she won't make that kind of agreement. I am not alluding to your appropriate with Balsium, heaven course in connection with Belgium, because think I understand that your course w the only possible one for you. I am basing my conclusion on only one thing—that the United States knows little about the prob-United States knows little about the prob-lems of Europe. You never had the need of thinking about them. Neither did we, as a matter of fact. What do you think our peo-ple knew or cared about Serbia? We did care about France, because it comes natural to us to think about France as the other to us to think about France as the officer great liberal country of Europe. And that goes deeper than the governing classes. There really is a fellow-feeling between the two nations. But with what nation have you in the United States a real community. of interest? You have a commercial interest in common with South America, but you are not the same people. You have a spiritual interest in common with us, but you haven't developed that, and, I am sorry to say we haven't either. You were telling me that some people report that the United States has forfeited the respect of the world. Never believe it. What she has lost is the chance to come into intimate connection with the best part of the world—as we look at it. But I don't say that she ought tion with the best part of the world—as we look at it. But I don't say that she ought to have gone to war for that alone. The trouble is that with these great nations knitting themselves closer and closer, the United States grows more and more lonely. And she talks like a foolish child about a league of nations when she is, perhaps, the only nation in the world which has never experienced the simplest hind of an alliance. There you are, It's a bit pessimistic, but I

experienced the simplest kind of an alliance. There you are. It's a bit pensimistic, but I am afraid it is the truth."

I do not know whether it is the truth or not, but I have quoted this man in full because he knows America better than most Englishmen do, and yet his opinion does not differ from that of the less interested. The Lesgue to Enforce Peace is taken very seriously here—so much so that a claim has been put in for Viscount Grey as the sole author and patentes of the idea long before Fresident Wilson spoke of it. It is recognized that there can be no effective league unless the United States is in the because the United States is in the because the United States alone can compose the differences and settle the triumions which are certain to exist between

ice Evening Ledger out, the result would be another balance of power, with Middle Europe (as the Ger-mans like to call it) arrayed against the fringe or border of the luner circle. Sober thought in all the countries now at war still looks for the United States to act as mediator. That is just why the people who have the interests of the United States at heart are so hopeless. They do not want the United States to be swept into a league to make the countries of by pure emotion, without careful thinking of what the league involves. The first step is easy, but they are looking for the ardu-ous steps beyond. Again I am able to quote from a conversation; the speaker is engaged now in the work of making Eng-land think about her allies:

Years of Misunderstanding

"The trouble is that we have been on the wrong tack all these years. We have been thinking of other nations purely for what we could get out of them. The principle is the same as between men. If an employer thinks of his men only as producers for him he is going to wake up with a strike on his hands one fine morning. Get thought of the whole world just in way; so did we, except that we did think of the dominions as nations with destinies of their own, and we hardly thought of the outside world enough. And the that we woke up on that fine bright morning of the 4th of August. 1914, with a war on our hands which we did not want and did not understand. Now we are trying to think of the people of other nations as people with purposes of their own, who are the us and unlike us, and are entitled to their own freedom and to their own develop-ment. That is how we have always thought of the United States, but I am afraid that we have been very indifferent about you, and you have been indifferent about us. You lo not know how our Empire has been built; you think it is nothing but aggresion and brutality. We don't understand Germany. None of us understands Russia Because we have always tried to under stand what was to our interest. Now i deeper understanding of each other. would work until—well, until it was called upon really to work. Then, as you Ameri-cans put it, 'Good-night.' What we must do now is to build up relations which are more than friendly because they rest not on profit but on mutual understanding. Well, that is a long argument. My

own panacea is study.
"I don't know just what incentive you have for applying yourself to those questions, the hardest in the world. Only I don't see how you are going to arrive at a real democratic understanding with the other nations of the world if you don't prepare for it and—I suppose you're sick of hearing this—but I don't see how you will avoid trouble in the future unless you have the support of the world. the support of the world, or a large part of

These two opinions are not only repre sentative. I have not found a European yet. French, Russian, British or Italian, inter-ested in the States or indifferent to them. est.d in the States or indifferent to them, who was prepared to dony one word of them. What Europe thinks just at present may not be important. On the other hand, it may. At present her foreign miniaters accept every kind word from the United States, and the people are frankly skeptical. They do not believe that we mean what we may because they do not believe that we say, because they do not believe have thought out what we are saying.

PERHAPS IT WAS ACCIDENTAL Respecting Mr. Vandertip's assertion that the American people are economic liliter-ates, he will at least admit that they made wonderful use of their deficient kn when they established the Federal Reserve banking and currency system and the farm loan banks. A country that could do that must have a few inhabitants who can read and write simple words.—New York World.

AN OPEN SEASON FOR BAD POETS The Times has great sympathy with that prisoner at the Federal Pentientiary who wanted for a Christmas present, "some humane way to exterminate poets." We would not use it on all poets, but only upon those who taink it above genius to be shie to grind out shyming lines regard-less of meter—Leavenworth Times.

FOND REMEMBRANCE

"The business methods in your house-keeping," is a very good admonition, yet one can't help a linguisting flaing for the cost who makes delicious liaplacks and glorious coffee, yet couldn't write a recipe to save her life.—Suffaio Times.

Queries of general interest will be answered this column. Ten questions, the answers to hich every well-informed person should know, e asked daily.

QUIZ 4

1. Under what State department is the Work-

2. What is Spanish leather? 3. Why are German soldlers called "boches"?

4. Who wrote "Let the dead past bury its 5. How many States are there in the German

6. What does it mean when it is said "He knows the subject from alpha to omega"?

7. What is a savannah? A bayou? 8. What nation controls Madagasear?

9. What is the difference between five inches of snawfall and five inches of precipita-10. Who was "Josh" Billings?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

The reigning family of England, beginning with Edward VII. is the House of Saxe-Caburg and Gotha, the House of Hanover having eded with Victoria. It takes its name from the house of the Frince Con-

ne Husso-Japanese war was brought tend by a peace conference held in

4. Ther. in Scandinavian mythology, was the god of thunder. The Iron Gate, or Gates, is the name given to a celebrated pass on the Lower Dan-ube, near Gladova, just below the point where the river leaves Hungary.

The mistletoe is a genus of small shrubs, growing on many kinds of trees, it derives its nourishment from the lules of the tree on which it grows and from which it seems to spring.

The National Statuary Hall in the Capitol.
Washington, has localarly been called the
"Chamber of Horrors," because the
statues of distinguished citizens of the
States are in some cases badly done. The German Empire has a Federal and State Government, with somewhat the same outward form as the United States.

Sheridan's ride ("With Sheridan twenty miles away") occurred on October 19, 1834, when he rode from Winchester to Cedar Creek and saved his army from defout.

10. The Everglades: A great march, about 140 unless long and fifty inlies wide, covering the larger part of the south end of Florids.

Federal Prisons C. T. R.-There are United States prisons

at Atlanta, Ga.; at Fort Leavenworth, Kan. and at McNeil's Island, State of Washington, besides naval prisons at Mare Island California, Boston and Portsmouth. United States prisoners include only those con-victed of violation of United States laws and some of these are confined in State pen-itentiaries. On June 30, 1915, the total number of United States prisoners of the number of United States prisoners of the penitentiary class was 4021, of whom 2937 were confined in United States penitenti-aries, 667 in State penitentiaries, eighty-five in State reformatories and houses of correction, eighty in penitentiaries and workhouses which received prisoners for terms of not more than one year; 116 in the National Training School for Boys at Washington, D. C., and 126 in the Government Hospital for the Insane at Washington,

I. L .- As far as is known the areas of

productive oil land in the United States are comprised in six districts: On the west side of the Allegheny Mountains, from southwestern New York to sorthern Ala-bama; in northwestern Ohlo and eastern Indiana; in southeastern Illinola; in southeastern Kannas, northeastern Oklaho northeastern Texas and northwestern Louis-lana; in southeastern Texas and south-western Louislana and in the southern haif of California. In addition, there are small areas of productive oil land in east-central Colorado and various parts of Wyoming. The Secretary of the Interior estimates that about three-sighths of all the oil lands in the country are now under development, and says: "Assuming that the yield of oil from the underseloped area plus that contributed by the declining wells of the area already developed will be proportional to the quan-tity of oil already obtained, a fairly conpervative assumption, then the reserves of petroleum in the United States amount at present to approximately 5.560,000,000 barpresent to approximately 5.569.000,000 barrels. At the present rate of consumption and export, which is roughly 259.000,000 barrels a year, the available supply of petro-teum would be exhausted in about twenty-three years, or about the year 1987. Probably, however, although the annual production may increase temporarily through developments in Okiahoma, California and wyosining there will be a marked decline within a very few years. This decline the higher prices for potroleum and petroleum products, more efficient utilization and the recentless of mosts water will product the prevention of much water will prolong the

Lawn, He sadly move it all—he move—he move.

The Northeast Corner

Rubaiyat of a Commuter

XXVII But strong and high with fearful quit And he that walks perspiring o'as the

Casuals of the Day's Work XVIII

THERE never was an inventor yet who was practical. Your inventor is at heart your man of imagination. The difference between the prophet, the poet and the inventor is not one of degree, but of early training. Patent office reports are prophecies and poems expressed in meters of mechanics.

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Had Elijah or Elisha been familiar was a toolshop our Old Testament would have been shorter, but the twentieth century would have found itself back somewhere before the sixteenth. Had Keats been of a mechanical turn of mind we would have had London lighted by electricity in 1818. The truth of the matter lies somewhere between mere mechanical ingenuity and sheer genius. Galileo and Milton might easily have changed places.

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We confess—yes, profess—even to ourselves a certain cold-bloodedness. The stream of life has flowed, we may say, so variously as to become less hot in youth than in the added years.

It is bideously trying to put down shudders in hideously trying to put down shudders in prose—goosefiesh! Who could have done it best? Pos, perhaps. He could have told the shudder of an airplane in terms of mere invention. He could have compassed the permutation of his spirit had he had the early training.

Trypein is the critical instinct. We criticize with our livers in terms of our head, and that is why we jeer at the man who fails in mechanical invention who, it chance had favored, might have been another Shelley. We rearrange names, not nations, and even then the rearrangement is not so easy. Yet the truth is written.

Cities have a sense of humor. Take Cleveland, for instance. Her harbor is up at Ashtabula, some fifty miles away. Clevelanders think it's their harbor. Ashtabulasters know it isn't. Yet do they object? No. They simply laugh and let Cleveland go on wondering why Ashtabula thinks she's funny.

A TWO-PIANO CONCERTO

Bruch's Curious Work Has World Premiere Here One can't help admiring Mr. Stokowski's

foresight and "push" in the matter of novelties. If Stravinsky writes a new tons poem, or there is a queer and interesting symphony by Gustav Mahler to be had, the leader of the Philadelphia Orchestra gets it with little ado and plays it for his audiences. A great many people no doubt went to the Academy yesterday afternoon to look at and applaud Mr. Stokowski, but probably there were a number present who had been drawn thither by the announcement of what the program grandly called the "first world performance" of a concerto for two planos composed by Max Bruch. It was played by two sisters, the Misses Rose and Ottille Suiro, visiting artists from Baltimore. Or should one say that it was played by the orchestra, with the Misses Suiro as accompanists?

It is a curious composition, far more melodious than the average Bruch affair, far more meaty, far more real. It does not escape the charge of pomposity. Some of it is very heavy and unlit by any gleam probably there were a number present who

of it is very heavy and unlit by any gleam of the inspiring flame. At its best it takes the glory from the soloists and gives it to those who play the instruments. Then it is beautiful, lufling and tender—the best strain of German sentiment pervading the third movement. The concerto is modeled to large and imposing lines but the lines. third movement. The concerto is modeled on large and imposing lines, but the lines are more deeply engraved than those Herriruch usually cuts. The sculpture of the music is admirable. For the most part so is its feeling. Somethings the thought is thin, and so the work suffers at mements from a lack of something really definitive to state. In its somber phases it excels. But it is not the sort of thing most planists would choose for a display of their metha. Their part in it is submerged often, and so it was not easy to tell just what the artistic callber of the Misses Sutro is. They would appear to be finished and accurate, without a great deal of passionate intensity

without a great deal of passionate intensity Of the rest of the concert there is not much that can be added. The program hegan merrily (and conventionally) with the "Freischutz" overture and ended with the regal clamor of "Rienzi." another familiar friend of Friday afternoons. The symphony, Beethoven's Fourth, either fell in with the humar of Mr. Stokowski or is a pet of his. At any rate, he played it exceedingly well, touching its alternate whimsicalities and gravities with nice ap-preciation. A kind of shy humor is hidden n it which makes for charm if not for the

ciated and produced in its playing. B. D. INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE

manner. This the Orchestra appro-

Italy is many thousand miles from Chi-cago, but Italy punishes criminals for crimes committed in Chicago. It is safer or a Black Hander to murder in Chicago and stay in Chicago than it is for him to go back to Italy. Here, in the first place, he is rarely convicted. If he is convicted if is for an indeterminate sentence, and he is out again in a few years on parole. But if he goes back to Italy he fairly steps into the door of a prison. And remains in.—Chicago Tribune. And once in he

PEACE, THE VICTOR There is no room in all God's universal for hate. No room for war beneath His friendly stars.

Let down the iron bars! There is no room in all the world for greed; God's golden harvests will all needs sup-

Love's Guardian Angel waiteth at Life's

ply, o room is there for any outworn creed That would His saving grace deny. No time bath life for any bitter tears,

Too long by mothers of the race have these been shed, When in the blossom time of youth's fair Years Their cherished hopes lie dead.

If history's pages must bear this crimses War reaps a harvest only hate hath No lust of glory—and no hope of gain Can recompense the heart that me love's own.

Talk war, and war is half begun: Breathe peace, you call upon a helf Never a battle waged nor triumph won, But hate's foul breath bath fanned the

flams! Thoughts turn to things, they wing their conscient flight.
From heart to heart, cross seas to dis-

Princes and potentates in vain deny their might. Thoughts rule the world and triumph She comes for whom the world hath waited

long.

Her glorious wings are tipped with majesty;

She comes! She comes! Triumphant with her song.

Columbia, Hurald of Pescs and Victory.

Columbia divinely fitted for her task.

In Her the healing of the nations found,
Of Her to whom so much is given we asked
Make atraight the victor's path? Les Annie J. Gilbert, in Bracklyn Ragio.