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Champ Clark is a grandpa, but he

Bernstorff is going where we told him to go-to Halifax.

is eminently fitting that he should keep than his rival, and yet being defeated. the fans in suspense for a number of days, and it is lese majeste to try to hurry

The conclusion of the public hear-Angs of the House Rules Committee leaves the net result of the investigation as the discovery that the only considerable leak G made until virtually the whole discovery that the only considerable leak came from a Boston speculator and that Balkan region was in the control of the it was a leak-or was it a slop-over !-- of trresponsible words.

streak down their backs, still others feel

on the money, having retained the money because "the November election doesn't electoral system!

tions in and around Independence Hall the Balkan war. Serbia and Montenegro yard Kining and asking him to make early fell a prey to German arms. Bull book of it. Kipling sent back the manuscript to Rus and Independence Square. Plans are well under way for the restoration of the old under way for the restoration of the old garia is friendly to the war of the castern end of the group. The entrance of Rumania into the war wonder where you got your fine style worder where you got your fine style to the seizure of that Hall at the western end. The approval by Councils of an ordinance creating a com- of Russian influence there. mission to have charge of the buildings and the historical collections within them

where it could be used of \$600,000 that had been appropriated for a needless courthouse. The aldermen who opposed have this kind of a victory. They are like the Bible or the Sacred Books of India. The latter, being the outcome of lift, while I speak for the downlift." That's what we need-men who will be gance is proposed; men who will lift down cause the uplifters and the gangstersare so free with money that is not their

The release by Germany of the American workers to continue their activities for the relief of Belgian sufferers have eased the tension for the reason that they indicate a disposition in Berlin to show some respect for the humanities as well as for American rights. There remains to be explained the apparently unjustified attempt to coerce withdrawn American Ambassador into an agreement for the reaffirmation of an old treaty and for an extension of its guarantees. That may be forthcoming if the official report to Wasnington confirms the newspaper dispatches. The Government certainly ought to demand an apology in case the dispatches have correctly reported the facts. The significance of Germany's action of Thursday is that it indicates that Gernany is not attempting to add any new es of irritation to our grievances rising out of the submarine order.

Amhassador Fletcher presents his entials to President Carranza today. ey will have something to talk about tht away-three Americans slain in a er raid. But the Mexican situation w on a new basis as a result of our ish of arms along the border and, othern Mexico. There seemed but one only two things that Pershing's exof an army of invasion in a war

o prevent repetitions of these murders upon Mr. Fletcher to convince General Carranza that he cannot leave Chihuahua a wilderness of bandits indefinitely. Agencies for civilizing that district are about as available for Mexico as they were for the United States to produce order in California in the middle of the last century. National pride on both sides should be satisfied by this time. These disorders are out of the realm of polities, national or international. What is needed is administration, and for that money is required. Nine tenths of Mex. Obook agent met his match. His rout ico is now organized well enough to borrow and pay back, to equip an army and restore order. The two Governments should be able to work out an administrative plan on a co-operative basis.

A MILLION MORE VOTERS

A NOTHER million women have licen granted suffrage in presidential elections. In our neighbor State of Ohio the Legislature has passed a bill plete suffrage will soon be a fact in both Ohio and Illinois

Thus in 1920, while Pennsylvania is way through the fourth, fifth or sixth its importance, about 2,800,000,

States make uniform their electoral ava concenters in his reading. In school 3 tems in national elections. People think strangely attractive and stimulating of Wilson's victory as having been won thought I had it by heart. But thought, I remember the menteness by nearly 600,000 majority, and not by calls attention to "this real fact-the the technical majority of 23. They wight read all the books in the British think of the popular vote, not of the electoral vote, and it is what people person; but that if you read ten par think and say that counts. There should with real necuracy—you are force those cited above are opening before not quite certain; but I know the Alexander is too great to sign a us that intolerable possibility of a can how contained in a footnote contract with the Phillies offhand. It didate receiving a million votes more the number of printed books

CAN GERMANY KEEP WHAT SHE'S GOT?

sessions, gave the Sanjak to Serbia and bad read it aloud to his aunt

The time is coming when no Phila. August. 1914, has been directed to unof buildings to correspond with Congress opened the way to the seizure of that country and to the removal of the menace been to

As the case stands today, peace made Cruise of the Cachalot." and the historical collections within them very properly differentiates this city properly differentiates this city properly from all other buildings and parks, and lifts them locally into the position which, outside of this city, they are supposed to occupy here.

A survey of history shows that whole groups of people have lived, moved and more than she has hoped to obtain. Here commercial domination of the Turkish territory in Asia Minor would be as certain as fate if peace treaties should be signed now. She could afford to give back Alsuce and Lorraine to France, to with it acknowledges the surremany of an ancred book, especially if it is the product of a single mind. He says: "Society rusts on its bearings when it acknowledges the surremany of an ancred book product of a single mind. He on the basis of the war map in the

the transfer, he said, "speak for the up- determined that middle Europe, from the Baltic to the Aegean, and Asia, from the Bosphorus to the Persian Guif, shall not downlifters whenever municipal extrava- be dominated by Germany. They have been defeated in the Balkan peninsula. from the shoulders of the taxpayers the They are hoping for victory in France heavy burdens pressing upon them be- and for such an overwhelming victory as will compel a restoration of the status quo ante in the neighborhood of Constantinople. Germany's last submarine move was made in a desperate attempt to secure by victories on one side of Europe Yarrowdale sailors and the permit to her right to retain what she has won on the other side. If she fails there her dreams of expansion in Asia Minor cannot be realized. Can she keep what she has got?

TRYING TO KEEP HIS HEAD

TOLONEL ROOSEVELT is making a U desperate effort in these trying times to remain calm and refrain from hasty and ill-considered action. He has been eading a high-school textbook on ancient history; that is, the history of the early Egyptians and Assyrians, the Sumerians and the Babylonians, and in order to keep his thoughts detached from current excitements he has written a long review of the book for this week's Outlook.

The case of the Colonel recalls that of the literary critic of whom Cruthers tells in one of his delightful essays. The critic, in order to correct his literary judgments, which were getting too severe upon contemporary novelists, spent some weeks reading the Congressional Record. The platitudinous verbosity of our lawmakers was so much worse than anything that came from the press of the regular publishers that he returned to his work with a broader vision and in a

kindlier mood. If the high-school textbook which the Colonel has been reading is not sufficient to enable him to keep his head, he might and a few weeks spent in the study of the differential calculus cooling to his temper as well as strengthening to his

BEWARE THE MAN OF ONE BOOK

When That Book Is So Varied as the Bible-How the Boers Preserved Their Standards-Frank Bullen

By ROBERT HILDRETH

upon a time, so it is said, a was sudden and complete, leaving nothing to be desired. He had broached the all Important subject—an exchange of his indispensable volume for a certain amount of indispensable eash—and was proceeding eloquently with his usual line of sciling talk when he was interrupted by the triunphant remark

"It's no use. I've got a book."

So that was the end of it Most of us are inclined to hold in contempt "the man of one book." "Heware of the man of one book " was the warning similar to the Illinois statute, and it is of a supposedly wise man. But what fun certain that Governor Cox will sign it. it is to take issue with a wise man! And The Ohlo women may not yet vote for the winer the better. It gives me great State officers, but few doubt that com pleasure, therefore, to set forth even briefly the opinion and belief that there is some vir tue in the one-book idea, after all. When I was a youngster, making my

casting about 1,400,000 votes for Presidender-I forget which-I dwelt joyously dent. Ohio, with three fifths of our pop. on a passage that I afterward ran across, ulation, will be casting about 2,000,000 most pleasurably, in "Sesame and Lilies" votes unless Pennsylvania extends its are clearer than this recollection of the desuffrage to a figure commensurate to light I took in Ruskin's finely phrased adtice concerning attention to words, to the It is becoming imperative that the incaning and validity of all the words seum iff you could live long enough

> How far this amounts to interesmagic language, that I would read some one book florroughly intensively, according to directions. Alors: I think I made that

A Boy and His Bible Balkan region was in the control of the Central Empires. It has been the dream of the Pan-Germanists to open a highway to Asia Minor through this district to what he oved to the Bible 1 am illustrated.

Central Empires. It has been the dream of their education from a single book and of their education from a single book of the pand of their education from a single book. The control of the pand of their education from a single book. The control of the pand of their education from a single book. The control of the pand of their education from a single book. The control of the pand of their education from a single book. The pand of their education from a single book. The pand of their education from a single book. The pand of their education from a single book. The pand of their education from a single book. The pand of the p The tailors who are trying to in-duce men to wear colored evening clothes what was once the great granary of the duce men to wear colored evening clothes what was once the great grainly of the coupling of the coupling of the coupling on the coupling of th blue, and altogether too many wake up it opened a way from Austro-Hungarian | Dullen lived with a mous aunt, who taught in the morning with a dark-brown taste in the morning with a dark-brown taste in their mouth. With these precedents

anything is possible.

Turkey of nearly all of its European possible it. Refore he was nine years old she had read the Bible aloud to the boy, from Generally all of its European possible in their mouth. A stakeholder who has been cus closed the door to German ambitions. and the door to like sunt Affer his todian of \$650,000 in election bets since. Rumania shuts the Germans from the guardian, and then to escape his master's Aegean and Asia Minor. This condition a bed. In all this time of misery he car-was most pleasing to Russia and to Great seed in the folds of his faded and tattered really take place till February." Now he has decided to withhold payment until the exploitation of Mesopotamia and both him by his aunt. This book he read often. March 4. The horrors of an archaic of which are interested in keeping Gers the Bible went with him. For twenty-three many from the Persian Gulf years he roved the oceans of the war German activity in the Balkans since Finally he settled down ashore and delphian will have to apologize for condi- doing all that had been accomplished by adventures, sending the manuscript to Rud-

"You have done better than I could. 1 been to school, responded. "I got my styl from the Bible; it was my only university.

American cities need more men
like the New York alderman who described himself as "for the downlift." He
was urging the transfer to an account

Alsace and Lorraine to France, to withdraw from that part of northern France
which she occupies and restore Eelgium
if acknowledges the supremacy of an ancient sacred hook, particularly a book that
grasps the believer on all sides of his
life, but never is the mind so sealed up as diverse experiences, epochs and points of view, gives some room for judgment and choice; whereas the former, being offspring of a single mind, cramps." As Bryce says, in his "Studies in History and Jurispru-dence," "the Koran, being taken as an unchangeable and unerring rule of life and thought in all departments, has enslaved men's minds

How the Boers Resisted Barbarism

Over against the underlable progress-retarding effect of such absolute devotion to a single book as Ross and Bryce describe may be set the service rendered to certain groups by their one book. An example may be found in the story of the Boers, may be found in the story of the boers, and once more we refer to the Bible, this time regarding it as a single book. It is a principle enunciated in social psychol-ogy that "whites in contact with aborig-ines let down." "Certain of the first transines let down." "Certain of the first trans-Allegheny settlers." historians tell us. "be-came so Indianized as to wear a buckskin dress, marry a widow and let the scalp-lock grow." The conservatism of isolated white folk who are enveloped by savages is to be explained by the fear of this let-ting down. It is a measure of protection; a barrier for defense.

Office Schreiner has told the tale of the splendid way in which the South African Boer has stood for two centuries against the danger which besets a race situated as

danger which besets a race situated as this has been.

Miss Schreiner speaks of the place of the Bible in this strange, flerce adherence of the Boer to the things of old. "You say of the Boer to the things of old. Tot say
he had only one book and clung to it
with a passion that was almost idolatry?

• • • If the Boer had forsaken his
Bible, we should have found him today a
aavage, lower than the Bantus about him,
because decayed."

All these paragraphs, let me add, gentle

All these paragraphs, let me add, gentle All these paragraphs, let me add, gentle reader, have not been written with the aim of proving anything in particular, but simply to discover, for the mere satisfaction of differing with wise men, a few exceptions to the one-book rule. Our danger in these days, perhaps, is not individually or collectively a one-book danger, but rather the danger of perverted reading habits induced by that great multiplicity of books which becomes foresaw when he lamented the end. Solomon foresaw when he lamented the end-lessness of book publishing in his own day. Sometimes, from sheer wearness of books, one could subscribe to this senti-

If all the seas were or sea. And all the stones were on seasons.

And all the stones were one stone.

And all the books were one book—

wouldn't it be a blessing if son

would tie the atone to the book as

them both into the great big bott rather remote, the best thing to do, in order to heat poverty and help the unrichled and helpless, is to live for, work for, spend for

HELPING UNCLE

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Censorship and the Free Press-Poverty and

Politics

THE PEOPLE

THE VOICE OF

· "FACTS AND FALLACIES" ANSWERED

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger. often and Failucies, published in one of our wilkes-Earre papers. The three papers in Wilkes-Earre refused to print this article world or any part of it. We would be very grate-took ful to you if you would publish this or add to

MER C B HOYT Dorranceton, Pa., February 15

Following is a paragraph from the reply to "Pacis and Pallacies," prepared by the Methodist Episcopal Preachers' Meeting of

Why does the Brewers' Association spend hundreds of thousands of dollars spend hundreds of thousands of dollars to employ accomplished writers and reputable newspapers to defend the liquor traffic before the American public? It was not always so. Once they smapped their fingers in men's faces and said: "What are you going to do about it?" Now public sentiment has so rapidly changed against the saloon that the liquor interests are alarmed at the liquor interests are alarmed at the rising tide of prohibition. The verdict is against it. No valid plea can be made for such a traffic. Every argument the liquor traffic has made in defeuse of the saloon has fallen before the test of time. The weakness of its cause is apparent. It is a passumption against the intelligence of the American people to attempt to hoodwink them into believing that the saloon is a necessary and a beneficent institution. The organized liquor traffic is the great American fraud. It pretends to be an pocent, honorable business, fostering the welfare and happiness of the people. But it is a living lie. Its method is to isunch a lie clothed in beautiful and appealing diction—repeat it again and again, and then insist upon it, hoping thus to convince the people that alcohol always has been a great benefit markind. The Brewers' Association says that the opponents of the saloon are-fanatics, going to an unreasonable extent in falsifying against a signi-mate business. Let the FACTS testify, and you will perceive the FALLACIES which are employed to defend an indefensible trade.

THE REDUCTIO AD ABSURDUM

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: who insist that the entire American press Sir-In answer to the various lunatics who insist that the entire American press has Judas Iscarioted itself for British sliver, may I ask those Germanophooles why their German idol, so profligate of money for propaganda and bombing purposes in America, did not show itself equal in brains, then, to the British and "Yankee idiots" it so despises and get there first? German gold. I take it, would be just as delectable as English gold to a parcel of deprayed traitors such as these violent Ger-maniacs biuntly tell our national press that Certainly Germany has the gold, and I can swear she has not lacked the nerve to perpetrate more ruthless and diabolics schemes.

Philadelphia, February 15.

SAYS HE CAN ABOLISH POVERTY To the Editor of the Evening Ledger:

Sir—In your editorial on "Beloved Vaga-bonds" you say, "You can't beat the Organ-ization until you have heaten poverty," and again, "No reform body in this city has ever consistently stood for the unskilled and helpless poor." Both of these state-ments were true up to April 4, 1915. On that date a party was formed whose sole reason for existence was its desire for the abolishment of poverty, and with a sure, safe and fundamental plan to do it. Sir-In your editorial on "Beloved Vaga-

are and fundamental plan to the safe and fundamental plan to the publicly created values (land values) for the use and benefit of the public, and would exempt from taxation all of the products of individual industry and enterprise. The displacement of Organization leaders or the ignominious defeat of the entire party will not beat poverty unless the victorious party has the desire and ability to put the

and vote for single tax. OLIVER MCKNIGHT.

OBJECTS TO CENSORSHIP

Philadelphia, February

Sir—It is said that a drastic press cen-sorship bill has been prepared and soon will be introduced into Congress. Public criticism is a stimulus and a guide to pubic officials. Army and navy officers are but servants of the people; why should they be exempt from public scrutiny of their acts? In event of the introduction of this bill. I hope that your paper will fight it tooth and nail. Freedom of the press, though often inconvenient and embarrassing, is a fundamental safeguard to democracy. GEORGE A. WALTON. George School, Pa., February 15.

IN PRAISE OF FORD

Hats off to Henry Ford who, when it ame to the showdown, was prompt to prove that he placed patriotism above pacifism His offer, in the event of war, to place his factory at the disposal of the Govern ment and operate it without profit, is the proof of an Americanism of which the

NEXT WEEK'S OPERA

Zandonai's "Francesca" Grows More Beautiful in Retrospect

Coming away from the American pre-Rimini" at the Metropolitan in nearly two months ago, I felt that had listened to a great work. Through-out the performance the music and poetry f the opera had made a profound impreson; its pure romantic beauty and emo tional appeal had cast a powerful spell as if one were wandering through a medieval fairy tale made human and poignant by the close kinship of poet and composer. But great stirring of the emotions is some nes untrustworthy,

And so it was that not until the cold. clear air of Broadway had dispelled the charm did the virtues and the failings of Francesca" stand out clearly. Then it beame apparent that, despite several seri us handicaps, the music-drama-or more correctly the music poem—was one of the finest contributions to opera in years. Since that night the beauties of the score have grown upon me, and the shortcomings have

ecome more and more insignificant.
"Post-impressions" give no, reason to hange the sentiment expressed in the EVENING LEDGER's review of the opera that there are two scenes of supreme beauty: the betrothal at the end of the first act and the long episode with the ladies-in-waiting in the third. In each Zandonal uses three ancient instruments on the stage: a lute, a viola pompose (a glorified viol d'amour) and an obce (which, despite the fact that the time is the end of the thirteenth century, is equipped with the modern Boehm system of fugering). In the first act, where Francesca, after having been pledged to Giovanni the Lame, sees Paolo the Beautiful and straightway

(alls in love with him, the three hand) instruments are a background for the won in the orchestra. This falls in love with him, the three strang derful tone-poem in the orchestra. This scene, which lasts for several minutes, is devoid of sound on the stage and has no action other than the advance of France toward the gate beyond which stands Paolo. But not one slightest part of the emotions surging within the two young lovers is left unrecorded by the orchestra. Themes and counter-themes struggle wit each other in an ethereal, spiritual conflict that is an epic in itself. And back of it all is the persistent, monotonous, prophetic drone of the lute, viola and oboe. The first act opens with a curious viola obligate behind the curiain. Then follows a delightful scene between Francesca's four

a delightful scene between Francesca's four ladies-in-waiting and the jester. It is characteristic of the opera that whenever these four ladies appear there is beautiful music. The scene in the third act when, with the aid of the three obsolete instruments, they attempt to cheer Francesca, is only less beautiful than the end of Act I The second act contains the much-dis-puted battle scene in which real arrows and real rocks fly back and forth. It is elaborately staged, but in retrospect one

elaborately staged, but in retrospect one feels even more keenly than at the opera the unfortunate fact that it is too realis-tic to be effective when coupled with so at-mospheric and so poetle a work as d'An-nunzio's poem and Zandonai's music. The third act and the last scene of the The third act and the last scene of the fourth act are wonderful love scenes. Snatches of pure melody are heard occasionally, but there is a vagueness in the conception of the music and the vo-ordination of motifs that is not at all consistent with the deep, flum, beautiful love of Paolo and Francesca. This important consideration acts in just the opposite manner from the absence of action. During the performance the musical text is so beautiful as to minimize the seriguaness of the fault, but in retrospect the inability to faste upon any one phrase is provoking.

What Do You Know?

1. Who is United States Minister to Coba?
2. How long is the Wall of China, the Great Wall?

3. Who was the "Man of Iron"?
4. What Presidents of the United States married twice?

5. What time is "eight bells" on board a ship?

6. How long is a meter?
7. What is called the "Silver State"?

Name the Balkan States. 9. What is the origin of the word "sandwich"

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

 Presidents Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Fillmore, Benjamin Harrison and Wilson married widows. 2. Cuba is the "Island Republic."

8. The first mention of plurality of wives it the Bible (king James Version) is it Genesis, iv. 19, where Lamech, son of Methusuel, is mentioned as having two wives.

4. The parcel post system began in the United States January 1, 1913.

5. The liminds were mischievous nymphs of lakes and marshes in ancient mythology.

6. The battleship Maine was blown up in Ha-vana harbor February 15, 1898.

7. The difference in time between Honolulu and Philadelphia is five and a half hours. At moon (eastern time) it is 6:30 a. m. in Hawaii.

8. The amethyst is the February birthstone

9. The peace strength of the Cuban army 11,000 men; the war strength, 45,000.

10. Illinois leads in production of crops of all kinds, with lows second and Texas third.

Forty-sixth Ward

G. W. N.—The Forty-sixth Ward is in the Sixth Congressional District, which is repesented in the House of Representatives

Tale of Two Cities

I. V .- The two cities in Dickens's "A Tale of Two Cities" are London and Paris, in which the scenes were laid during the

French Revolution. South's Flower

D. L. K.—Inquiry at Richmond. Va. brings the information that the Confederate States had no national floral emblem, of-ficial or unofficial, so far as can be learned.

Enlistment Age

G. G. R.—The minimum age at which a roung man may enlist in the United States army was fixed at eighteen years by the Hay-Chamberlain army bill passed by Congress last year. Before then, as your experience told you, the age was twenty-one

White Gloves SUBSCRIBER—It is not "good form" for man at a wedding to wear white gloves

without a dress suit. Madam Blavatsky

W. W. — Helena Petrovna Hahn-Hahn Blavatsky, the famous theosophist, was born in Ekaterinoslav, southern Russia, in 1831. She was an extensive traveler, inter-ested herself in mysticism and in the study of occultism penetrated Tibet at a time when little was known of that country. In 1873 she came to the United States, and, with H. S. Olcott, she founded the Theosophical Society in 1875 as a "nucleus of a universal brotherhood of humanity without distinction of race, creed or color" for the study of Aryan and other eastern than the study of Aryan and other eastern than the study of Aryan and other eastern than the study of the st of occultism penetrated Tibet at a literatures, religions and sciences, and the "investigation of unexplained laws of nature and the psychical powers latent in man." Many disciples flocked to her. In 1879 she organized a branch of the society in Bombay, India, and thereafter did much to popularize knowledge of Buddhist philosophy. Her spiritualistic teachings spread throughout this country, India, England and France, the society growing to, a membership of nearly 100,000 before she died, in 1891. The Society for Psychical Research in 1884 declared her an impostor. Her chief work, the textbook for her disciples, was "Isis Unveiled: A Master Key to the Mysteries of Ancient and Modern Science and Theology," published in 1876. Many disciples flocked to her. cience and Theology." published in 1876.

SAM LOYD'S PUZZLE

GUESS the author of each line.
I only know she came and went,
Like troutlets in a pool.
She was a phantom of delight
And I was like a fool.

One kiss, dear maid, I said and sighed; Out of these lips unshorn.

She shook her ringlets round her head And laughed in merry scorn.

Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle ATENT and Talent; Scrape' and Capers: Master and Stream; Bather

Tom Daly's Column

Let Him Be Impeached! IT WAS bad enough for Woodrow Wil son to have lifted his "peace without victory" from Walter Lippmann, of the New Republic, or Dom Pedro, of Brasil, but here comes news to shake the topless towers. He cribbed a still more famous phrase from us!

As long ago as 1905 we dashed off and then forgot—as is the habit of uz arthers a bit of deathless verse. In 1906 it was gathered into our first book, "Canzoni." and doubting Thomases may find it there on page 156. We had forgotten all about it, but G. L. writes: "Could you not impeach W. W. for stealing his famous phrase from the opening lines of your second stanza here?"

DA FAM'LY MAN ain' gon' gatta mad so queeck Like w'at I use' to do.

I gon' geeve up dees ogly treeck Of speakin' swear words, too Of speakin' swear words, too,
An' now w'en com'sa bada keed
For call me "Dago!"—wal,
I ain' son' do like w'at I deed
An' tal heem "gotohal!"
Eef som' one com' for makin' fool
Weeth me, I show dem how

t jus' can smile an' keepa cool-I gon' be good man now. I am too prouds man today

For wants swear an' fight, An' I no care w'at bad keeds may For makin' me excite' For makin me excite; So eef som'body com' an' try For makin' fool weeth me. I justa gon' be digniff: Like fam'ly man should be. Laa' night da doctors bring

Las' night da doctors bring my wife A baby girl. Dat's how I am so proud. You hat my life. I gon' be good man now!

Hey! Boy! Boy! . . Call that poy back . . . that boy we sent to page Bert Taylor with a note- What's that? Out of the building, is he? Ak ready? Why, we only started him yesterday! . . Well, here boy, you'll do. . . . What? You're not a "boy, but a stenographer"? Nonsense! You're a boy and a stenographer. Come, be a sport and typewrite this note for me, You see, I'm one of the old, old newspaper fellows and never learned to run machine. Ready? Let 'er go:

Dear Bert—Yesterday I sent you a note, which you may get before this reaches you. In it I begged you to reaches you. In it I begged you to find out what your proofroom knew of this definition in the Webster Inter-"COPYHOLDER - A proofreader's nincompoop."

One of our own proofreaders had

shown it to me a moment before. There

it was, plain as day!

But this morning Bill Sacrey, who is one of the cleverest lads around this one of the cleverest lads around this place, came to confession. "I must tell you something," he sez. "The other day one of our copyholders said to me disgustedly. 'I'm tired of being called a "copyholder" all the time.' I smoothed down his feathers, but I knew it wouldn't last; so I went into the composing room when I found time and got a line set up to match the type in the Webster International, and with infalter. Webster International, and with infinite Webster International, and with infinite care I stenciled the line in the blank space under the first definition of copyholder.' Later in the day, as I expected, my copyholder began beeing again. 'Well.' I said, 'if you don't like to be called that, go get a synonym, from the dictionary.' He looked and fell, and so did all the rest of the gars. I didn't expect to trip you tee.

gang. I didn't expect to trip you too. n sorry."
We forgave him. Do thou by us in T. A. D. like manner.

This same Sacrey comes across with his anagram: German Blockade Note-Come to Break England.

THE VILLAGE POET t was coming at last! 'Twixt a dusk

an' a sun. After years of false hopes an' of waiting. Sprang a wind from the north that was

laden with fun, An' it sang with the joy o' creating,

For it knew-an' I knew-when its labor was done All the river'd be splendid for skating!

So I got my old blades an' my bottle of oil An' I polished 'em up for the morning,

For I meant that no duty, no summons to toil, Breaking in on my sport without tearning.

Should deprive me of pleasure too royal to spoil An' too rare to be dying a-borning.

Then I thought of this Saturday poem Which delights you so much tucke could

doubt it!). But I felt, though you'd hate to be missing a line

An' you'd really be lonesome without it, You would rather I went where the skaling was fine Than be fretting here writing about it,

(Later bulletin from river-side.) Glorious ice! If it doesn't spur us to the writing of the promised ode well richly deserve decapitation at the ankles. The last time we found such a gleaming flawless surface upon the river was some twenty years ago, when we had the pleasure of doing the Dutch roll from Girard avenue bridge to the dam with the venerable Mr. Robert K. Wright, the father of Redwood Wright. He told w then that he had been skating on Schuylkill-whenever there was any be had-for sixty-four years. He me have increased that record before be passed, for he looked to be good for another decade on this day of which speak. The flush of youth had, co back to his cheek and the fire to his eyes as we came to a stop at the of the dam. His figure, for all his seventy years, was straight and siends in its dignified broadcloth, and the tile upon his head was sleek and fixed at the solar system. He was the embod-

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ment of the perennial joy of life.

Liberte, Fraternite, Egalite. Miss Bessie Graham conducts in book salesmanship at the Wil Penn Evening High School. Says

"To show you what my pupils can a customer in Wanamaker's der the 'Red Boat' and no catalog reveal its existence. Questioned she said if it wasn't the 'Red Be might be the 'Red Yacht' or son like it; and there my trained by