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March came in like a lamb, but it was a black one.

It does not look as if much progress Thre making toward that German-Russan-Japanese alliance.

Is the Mayor's expression of a will-Pickwickian-bez pardon, a Brumb. ughinn-sense?

City cold vaults jammed with food. -Headline So different from the stomachs of the poor.

While the General Assembly is re-I aling several hundred obsolete laws it ight well see to it that it passes no 1 w ones which will become obsolete be-1 ... the end of the year.

The agreement of the House in Furrisburg to the plan to permit the (wernment to buy land to enlarge the 1 ankford Arsenal has come none too f on. The national Government should I ive permission to buy all the land it tiveds.

South Philadelphia believes that t'e general boycott has been the chief t ctor in lowering food prices, and South alladelphia is right. It is an honorable capon and it requires for successful use j tience and self-restraint-qualities that ake for character. And it is the house-1 dder's only weapon. If he persists in 1 ing it whenever prices rise above nor-1 al, he will force a thorough reorganizat on of food production and distribution all along the line.

true, that a vastly r eater number of submarines have been as weak in the closing months of Febrary. The starving out of England and Lumane and utterly heartless Government, unrebuked and triumphant over one hemisphere and menacing to the

Whether the proposed lease of the rew transit lines to the P. R. T. is approved or not, the Chestnut street subway will be needed in the near future to talleve the pressure on Market street There are only two tracks in Market street, and they are already carrying rbout as many trains as they can accommodate during the rush hours. At the rate at which high buildings are joing up in the central part of the city the existing car lines even when supslemented by the delivery loop and the Broad street subway will be inadequate. If Councils does not authorize the con struction of the Chestnut street line this spring it will have to do it later.

Lloyd George is not a minister's ron, but he was brought up by his uncle. Richard Lloyd, a Weish Baptist preacher. who has just died, so he was the next thing to it. Ministers' sons in America have also risen to high office. President Wilson is the son of a Presbyterian clergyman, and Mr. Hughes, his opponent in e last election, had a Baptist preacher for a father. Both Cleveland and Arthur were sons of clergymen, and Garfield was self a preacher in the Church of the Disciples for a while. Fourteen of our wenty-seven Presidents have been sons of farmers; but as the farmers outnumber preachers by about fifty to one, the injaters' sons seem to hold their own etty near the head of the procession.

If this country is to compete successfully for the trade of the world after the war it must place itself in a position where it can bargain for that trade itseame as other countries are ready and preparing to do—that is, by the adoption of a tariff system of greater sexibility—From a statement issued by the Philadelphia Ceinmercial Museum.

This is the view of commercial ex ed by partisan political con lons. Peace is to be followed by gaining tariffe-that is, re greements, such as has lation in Washington see

solely for the purpose of raising revenue if they resort to them at all. A protective tariff mitigated by reciprocity treaties is what this country needs now and will need in tenfold measure when the nations lay down their arms. There may be protectionists enough in the new House of Representatives to pass such a measure and send it to the Senate. Without such a measure we can avoid commercial dis aster only by chance.

NO MORE QUIBBLING

IN TWO days the Sixty-fourth Congress will be no more. It is to be hoped that the Capitol will see no further attempts to sap public confidence in the Administration which after Sunday at noon will have, for perilous days and perhaps many weeks, sole charge of the destinies of the Republic.

The attempt to hamper the President had its source in sheer lack of imagina tion. Men talked of executive usurpa tion of power, as if the times in which that power was to be exerted lay several months ahead of us and not immediately

Congress is, or ought to be, at the least a mass-meeting of typical and representative Americans. If the great majority in it were not at heart loyal and united, and were at the same time representative. what could we hope from the people at large? It would be a time to pray for America, not to act for her. But these ent that the disturbers of the peace are only eccentric individuals, and that the great majority of the Congressmen are with the people and their President.

ANTI-DOPE PREPAREDNESS

The evil has certainly not decreased since the enactment of the Federal law (Harrison act). • • • • Of late I have noticed that many of the counterfeiters and other effenders against the laws of the national Covernment are drug addicts. I cannot lay too great stress on the necessity of immediately enacting State legislation which will aid stamping out the drug scourge in Penn-TUDGE THOMPSON, of the United

States District Court, thus explains f mess to be investigated to be taken in why the passage of the Whitaker bill by the Pennsylvania Legislature is imperathe Pennsylvania Legislature is impera-tive. The national Government cannot take up such measures to amend and correct the deficiencies of the Harrison act at this time. Yet the wiping out of the narcotic drug evil is an important may are a suffering from a case of cancer of the throat. As a mat-ter of fact, following a severe cold Fred-erick had developed in his throat a growth which was the cause of serious scientific controversy. Instead of standing by his movement for national preparedness.

It is with the full powers of the youth of the land that we must face the trying years to come, when, in peace or war. our tasks will be so great as to dwarf most of the former endeavors of our history. To leave boys and girls at the mercy of the drug venders while there is yet time to save those who have started but are not altogether slaves to the drug habit is to leave an enemy menacing our rear. Drugs that make counterfeiters and other offenders against the Federal laws also make traitors, spies and asgassins. The wiping out of this plague by the State governments would be, in the current phrase, "worth several army

LAGGARDS ON THE SEA

THE British determination to build new Aships, ton for ton, to replace those sunk by the submarines is doubtless responsible for the award of a contract for two 19,000 ton cargo ships to a Chester corporation. The British yards are not able to replace the destroyed shipping It is devoutly to be hoped that the fast enough, so it is necessary to come to the yards on the Delaware.

captured in February than during any give our own yards so much to do that receding period of the war. More extiney cannot fill foreign orders? It is estiting events have left unemphasized the mated that forty per cent of the ships just that the German ruthless campaign | contracted for on the ways here are for foreign countries. Indeed, enterprising men of other countries have seen so the defeat of the Allies that would result clearly the need for ships that they have yould mean the ascendancy of an in- given our yards so much business that the Government finds itself in difficulties when it wants to rush work on new ships for the mayy. And the shipping board, which was to rehabilitate the merchant marine, has done nothing yet. We are laggards when we ought to be marching in the forefront.

AN ABSURD GERMAN PLOT

THE Administration must have felt that it was a patriotic duty to expose the amazing German plot to embroil us with Mexico and Japan in the event of war between Germany and the United States. For this is precisely the sort of document which Mr. Wilson would otherwise have felt justified in suppressing at this time. It will undoubtedly irritate the Japanese, who are already incensed over the recent alien-rights dispute. But it is proper that the facts should be made public, because it is necessary that we should thresh out all misunderstandings with Mexico and Japan before we are drawn deeper into the whirlpool of European troubles.

Analyzed, the German diplomatic plot is pathetically absurd. Japan was prompt to throw in her lot with the Allies, because her alliance with Russia and England is essential to her future. England. depending on American supplies, could not countenance any Japanese aggression upon the United States, even if Japan had hostile designs upon us. If Japan turned upon us, we could lock our ports against England and France and compel them promptly to explain an Entente one part of which was fighting the best friend of the other part. Germany knew that Japan did not want to and could not fight us, but dangled the ridiculous bait of a Japanese alliance before a Mexican Government, which she supposed was utterly distracted, as a trader would dangle string of beads before a savage. Poor Mexico was to invade us with the "help" of a blockaded Germany and a Japan that has just signed a treaty with Russia which binds her closer than ever to the

The German-language newspapers in this country have been talking "yellow peril" for some time, which is all lained now. The old folk from the Fatherland, who have never learned Engsh, and who therefore are dependent

HOW THE KAISER CAME TO A THRONE

His Plots Against His Father Failed, but Death Removed Frederick After Three Months' Reign

By JOHN ELFRETH WATKINS

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DURING the year that clapsed between
the spring of 1887 and the spring of
1888 the imperial court of Berlin was the
scene of mysterious happenings which have
since kept the whole world guessing.
William the Great, the first Emperor of
the federated German States, was slowly
dying. The heir to the throne, the Crown
Prince Frederick, was by all odds the most
popular man in the empire. In the FrancoPrussian War he had been a great hero,
worshiped by his soldiers, who had affectionately dubbed him "Unser (Our)
Fritz." At the our break of that war, when
the loyalty of the south Germap regiments
was in doubt because of their bitter anithe loyalty of the south German regiments was in doubt because of their bitter animosity against Pruszia, "Unser Fritz" was chosen for their command because it was realized that he was the only power in the empire who could infuse them with enough patriotism to fight. That he was successful is proved by the fact that with these regiments he took Sedan and made a prisoner of Nauoleon III.

One of Frederick's higheraphers, describing

One of Frederick's biographers, describing his wonderful force, tays:

Troops commanded by him in person became virtually invincible, for every soldier came virtually invincible, for every soldier in the ranks was by the sight of this princely leader stirred to deeds of courage and daring. Even the greatest coward became a hero when he felt the kindly eye of Frederick the Noble upon him.

Like most really great men. Crown Prince Prederick was democratic. Yet in person he was far more impressive than even his latter. Between him and his

father, Will am I. Between him and his father there was an estrangement, as there was a so between him and his son, the present Kalser. The old Emperor regarded present Kaiser. The old Emperor regarded Frederick as too liberal in his close a prince B'smarck, the Iron Chancellor, shared his opinion of the Crown Prince A dozen years before the Franci-Fries as War Frederick had married Queen Victoria's e dest daughter, the Princess Victoria. The Princess had become impopular with the German people. Her oldest child. with the German neople. Her oldest child, the present Kalser, early developed a bumptiousness which allemated him from his father, himself the most unaffected and natural of men. Because Frederick had sought to keep his concetted son in the background until he could be cured of his van ty the after never forgave these paternal efforts to suppress what he considered as his God-giver eleverness and genius, indeed, young Wignam, when only the heir presumptive, account his father of being jealous of his own extraordinary talents.

The Growth in Frederick's Throat This breach between the Crown Prince and his son, Prince William, widened carry which was controversy. Instead of standard will-father in this grave emergency. Prince Wilfather in this grave emergency. Prince Wilfather in this grave emergency. Prince Wilfather in the standard will be a strong about him a strong court faction, which had the audacity to propose that the afflicted Prince Frederick's claim to the crown be set aside because it would be unwhoresome to the State of the empire to have upon the throne a ruler afficted with an incurable malady. Although he realized that his father, the old Emperor William, was near unto death. Frederick is said to have signed a format pledge that he would abdicate his claims to the throne in favor of his son, should it be proved that his malady was incurable. On hearing of this abdication, Fred-erick's English wife, the Crown Princess, became highly indignant, as justly she might be. Her husband was signing away not only his but her own possible prospects of wearing a monarch's crown. Her mother, Queen Victoria, backed her up in her insistence upon her rights. So, to con-travert her son's efforts to prove that h's father was dying of cancer, the Crown Princess sent to England for that country's

ell Mackenzie. Victoria Knights Dr. Mackenzie

nost eminent throat specialist, Dr. Mor-

All Europe awaited the diagnosis of this great savant. He clipped out a portion of Prince Frederick's throat tissue and sent if for analysis to the noted Professor Doctor, Mackenze of having fraudulently clipped from an unaffected portion of the Crown Prince's throat the tissue which had been used for the analysis, and Queen Victoria replied to his accusation her grandson's followers by immediate'y knighting Doctor Mackenzie. Partisans of the Crown Princess now made some charges which perhaps had no foundation more firm than the suspicions of an hysterical woman. They charged that Frederick must be taken out of Germany to escape the machinations of his German physicians, who

had been engaged to hasten his end.

Frederick was burried to England and to San Remo. It was said that young William had become absolutely estranged from both his father and mother, and rumor also had if that Doctor Mackenzie, at the request of the British royal family, was subjecting Frederick to terrible tortures he might outlive his aged father, if have only amused contempt only for a few days.

It was a neck-and-neck race against the

Grim Reaper. 'Unser Pritz' won. On March 9, 1888, when Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse gave up the ghost, his dying son was doctored up with stimulants, hurried to Berlin and crowned. He occupied the throne just ninety-nine days.

What really happened during these dra-matic months previous to his succession will never be known.

CHICAGO'S TRACTION BARONS

The traction barons of Chicago are mak ing the boldest and most aggressive campaign for special privileges that they have waged since the defeat of Yerkes twenty years ago. They are demanding legislation which will enable them to grab the streets of Chicago for half a century. They are trying to unite all the traction interests in merger, and get authority orger to charge seven-cent that merger to They are asking the city to pay the boodle debts of Yerkes to the amount of \$7,744,100 The total boodle they are seeking is many times that sum, but that much is admittedly graft.-Chicago Daily Journal.

THE SINGULAR OF LYNX Leo Harris was in Wednesday from west f the mountains with a link hide which neasured four feet in length. — Kildeer (N. D.) Tribune.

PATRIOTISM

You do not need to hear a gun Nor face the cruel shell To be a patriot, my son; You'll serve your country well If in her days of strain and stress calm demeanor you possess

If in her days of ache and smart It is not given to you To play a bold and active part, You've still a task to do. You can assist your fellow men It only you'll be patient then.

If idle when the fight is on You're ordered to remain.
Your duly is a harder one Than facing leaden rain.
ou must be loyal through and the them that have the work to do.

You must be slow to criticize
And slower to despair.
You must believe that each man trice
His heat to do his share.
Ou must uphold the hands of those
and the state of the sta



SOUVENIRS OF A FRIENDSHIP

THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Inscription on Bronze Tablet in the Andes-"Near-Side" Cars

"CHRIST OF THE ANDES" To the Editor of the Evening Ledger.

Sir Quoting from "The South American our." a book on South America by Miss nnie S. Peck, pronounced by Ricarde Pillado. Director of Commerce and Industry for Argentina, to be "the best book on South America I have seen—no other work to compare with it in accuracy," you have this about Christ of the Andes on page 295; "The monument consists of an ectagonal granite column twenty-two feet high, upon which is a hemisphere of granite with partial sketch of the world's outlines. On this stands the bronze Christ, twenty-six feet high, the cross extending five feet above. Two bronze tablets on the granite

base, the gift of the workingmen's and workingwomen's unions of Buenos Aires, bear inscriptions in Spanish, on one side statistics and dates, on the other-" Sooner shall these mountains crumble into dust than Argentines and Chillans break the peace to which they have pledged themselves at the feet of Christ the Re-

Philadelphia, February 26.

"A BULL ON THE RAMPAGE"

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir-There is no use in any argument with a built hat is seeing red but a stun-Virchow. Virchow announced that the tissue contained no indications of cancer, and this pronouncement proved a great disappointment to the partisans of the young Prince William. They immediately accused that because Belgian frontier forts faced that because Belgian frontier forts faced toward Germany, therefore Belgium de-served all the brutality of the Germans, eems the most absurd of the many pro-German reasons given yet.

Americans with red blood object to this

war planted on the world by Germany, ruthlessly destroying men and the world's stock of food and other property, and are sore because we cannot make the mad bull see reason. The timid among us are saying. "Put sa't on his tail. saying, "Get out your club, or your gun, and if he comes this way give him the biggest dose you can." We are divided on the subject. For the American of German long as he remains loyal to the land of his choice. For others who want to hold up a parasol and scream, or go out and pat him on the neck and say "Nice buil."

The real American stands fully armed subsea or as a snake in the grass. The error made by "Equity" and Germans generally is in supposing that we are influenced to any great extent by what her enemies say of Germany. We are seeing how Germans comport themselves under the series of victories and defeats. If we find them. as we have, cruel and relentless in victory and vengeful in deteat, nothing that the 'pros" or the timid may say will avert our judgment_

The forts in Belgium would never have fired a gun had not the mad bull gone on the rampage. Luckly for the world at large that they were able to stop the first

No doubt, at some time the "i others will want to clasp hands with those who stand fully armed to afford protection. Let us hope when that day comes the who has done his bit may be generous. are a nation in the making, and all good citizens should seek an American viewpoint. Race differences and societies that foster divisions at a time like the present should PRO AMERICA. be strongly rebuked. Philadelphia, February 28.

MR. MANN'S PERFECTIONS To the Editor of the Evening Ledger:

Sir-Hat's off to "C. H.," of Philadelphia

whose letter in defense of Congressman J. R. Mann appeared in today's Evesino Lenger. Speaker Clark said several years ago that Democrats had to have everything bout right to get past the scru.iny of Ma

Less than a year ago Mr. Mann's ene-miles tried to defeat him for renomination in his district by pitting against him a preacher who uses his pulpit more to throw clubs at his neighbors than to preach the Gospel, and Mr. Mann snowed him under completely. Reading. Pa., February 23.

"NEAR-SIDE" CARS

To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Sir-With would-be passengers upon our transit lines, it is a common experience to have to wait, at a crowded street crossing, while one "near-side" car after another passes without stopping and displaying its "carful" sign, but with only its front portion crowded, while there is plenty of room in its inaccessible rear portion. Cer-tain of these persons have recently ad-dresned, though the newspapers, to riders, pathetic appeals, urgins them to "pass right

implored or commanded to do by the con-

But those who have been compelled to use these cars during rush hours know that the trouble lies, not with the passengers, but with the car itself, whose radical de-fect in design must be evident to all. The cutrance and the exit are at the same (front) end of the car and the front portion of the car soon becomes overcrowded by a congested mass made up of those entering, those leaving and those who.

sconer or later, are going to leave.

A year ago the board of directors of the
Civic Club of Philadelphia, recognizing
that additional rolling stack must be placed n service, both to keep pace with the crowth of the traffic and to replace outvorn cars, unanimously protested against the installation of additional "near-side cars upon the streets of Philadelphia, and on February 26, 1917, the board unani-mously reaffirmed this protest. LUCY LANE TRAUTWINE.

Incirman Committee on Transit Condi-tions, Civic Club of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, February 27.

JAPAN PLAYS THE MARKET A Japanese broker, says the East and

West News, wishing to capture some trade from the European population of Tokio scattered handbills bearing this legend: To the Wideawake Public.

"One who want to make money why hot try Stock business at such rare extraordinary chance? Even a fool, his pocket is swelling up every day. Why? Recause he is daring it day. Why? Because he is daring it billfully. Awaiting your order. More or less, yours faithfully.
"OKINO YONESABURO."
The handbills happened to flutter upon

the streets at a moment of peace panic, and Mr. Yonesaburo miscrably failed to excite any new speculation.—Boston Journal.

PROTECTION FOR THE CANAL

D scussion continues as to of the protection of Canal. The subject could not be too oughly considered, or the steps, if they are necessary, taken too promptly to correct the deficiency. The canal and the zone we control on the isthmus are among this country's very valuable assets. Even if the war were to end tomorrow, adequate and un-to-date protection of the canal would be The war spirit will not end with the present war, but will live, and be liable to flare up at any time. The canal will remain and increase in every sort of value as time passes.—Washington Evening

All Points of the Compass Rubaiyat of a Commuter

Of course, I haven't all the Things I want; Some fruit trees and some grape vines I must plant. o old-fashioned. So, of course, I

Casuals of the Day's Work Mr. Garrett P. Serviss, who writes on any subject from cabbages to kings, in-

uding, also, astronomy and the problem ome length in one of Mr. Hearst's este some, journals, on the subject of new ords. He quotes from some unidentified

He fell on his knees at her feet and suspired. "Tan You not pity me?" "Not" she rebuffed. "your treachery has stoned my heart." Bad enough, surely; or, as Sam Bernard

puts it. "Sufficiency." Yet Mr. Serviss is particularly preved over the use of the word stress" as a verb, as in a dispatch which quotes, "It was not denied that the Pres ident still had under consideration the ques-tion of asking Congress for a vance author but this was not stressed. He goes on to say:

He goes on to say:

There is no sufficient excuse for thus disfiguring the larguage that we all speak and write. Already there exists an abundance of synonymous, words with which to convey, and that with far greater exactness, the meaning intended by this malformed changeling which smells of the laboratory—such words and phrases as urge press, emphasize, enforce, requirelinsist unon prescribe, lay stress on, maintain demand, and many others which have long been in use, and are perfectly understood.

There is another word, not so new as "stress, used for a verb, which is personally would like to see tabuoed, and that is the adjective "human" pluralized, and then employed as a hour to describe men and women. When the man of the control of the men of the control o

walue. We quite agree. Any word with too many consonants at the end of it which get up a person's nose is not a nice sort of word. Not a-tall! Still, even "humans" is a fairly decent locution as compared with Mr. Serviss's "tallooed." "Taboo" was never a verb and couldn't be made one. It is simply a state of being, like "good" or "bad." Of course, they couldn't arrest you if you choose to say, "Jones goods a whole lot," "Robinson gooded after his recent badding," but it wouldn't be considered quite correct form even in our own roughquite correct form even in our own rough-neck circles. So if Mr. Servins Reeps on tabooing around the place we shall be in-clined to sic Unele Tom Daly's bunkhound on him, and we guees, b'gosh, that'll learn

What Do You Know?

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

QUIZ

What is the meening of the "onus" of pas sible war which the United States is said to be determined to place on Germany?

What is zodiacal light, which may be observed this month to good effect? 3. Who is the chaplain of the House of Representatives?

4. Who was Epicurus and what did he teach?

6. What and where is Kut-el-Amara?
6. What country makes more motion-picture film than does any other?
7. What President, a Pennsylvanian, is buried in Pennsylvania?

9. Who is commander of the Atlantic fleet?
9. What proportion of England's food is produced oversea?
10. Compare the military strength of the Union and Confederate armies in the Civil War.

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz Banaume is pronounced "ba-polim," the

2. As explained by the German Chancellor, theis submarine was fare establishes not a blockade, but "definite barred zones within which every ship has to count on immediate attack."

3. Phylacteries are small cases containing copies of the moral law, worn by Jews as reminders.

4. Star forts are roughly star-shaped forts, or fortifications with projecting angles, 5. Solomon was assigned the actual boilding of the Temple by Jehovah because David, Solomon's father, was a "man of war,"

6. "St." is the masculine, "Ste." the feminine abbrevation of "saint". The former also stands for "street" and "strait." 7. President McKinley is buried at Canton, O.

'Moonshine' whisky is so called because the manufacture and sale of it usually are carried on at night. oudstone, the March birthstone, gets its

States to collect customs duties,

New Half Dollar

R. L. W .- The designer of the new half dollar explained the design as: On the ob-verse ("head") a full-length figure of the Goddess of Liberty, bearing sprigs of laurel and oak, symbolic, respectively, of civic and military power; her right hand is out-stretched in a spirit of liberty for the country. On the reverse C'tail') fearless American eagle perched high on a mountain crag; from the precipice shoots a sapling of mountain pine, symbolic of

U. S. Mints

E. K .- There are five United States —at Denver, San Francisco, Philadel New Orleans and Carson City. A I'd like some Hollyhocks, but the Lady are known as such, but only the first three At New Orleans and Carson coin money. At New Orleans and Carson City the work is that of assaying bullion.

'Cow-Killing" Tune

L. K. J .- The "tune the old cow died of is said to be the tune played to the cow by her owner in lieu of food. The words the song contain the lines you mention

Consider, good cow, consider, This isn't the time for grass to grow. The meaning has been extended to cover harmonious tunes.

Information Test

M. W.-The list of 100 questions and anevers is the "information test" of the Friends' Select School, Media, Pa., which is given to its pupils to stimulate interest The list may contemporary events. btained by writing-to the school

Austrian Representative S. Y .- Pending the settlement of diplo

matic questions with Austria-Hungary, the Charge d'Affaires of the Austro-Hungarian Embassy, Baron Erich Zwiedinek, repre-sents that country in the United States. Presidential Succession

D. F. G .- In case the President and Vice President die or are unable otherwise to perform their duties, the Secretary of State would act as President until the disability of the President or Vice President is re-moved or a President is elected. The order of succession through the Cabinet is Secretary of the Treasury, Secretary of War. Attorney General, Postmaster General, Secretary of the Navy and Secretary of the

SAM LOYD'S PUZZLE

CHANGING one letter at a time and always producing correct words, we transform WARM to COLD as follows: Warm, Ward, Word, Cord, Cold. Now transform the following pairs in our moves each: Fish to Meat: More to Less; Ride to

Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle JOHN'S age was 49 5-6 months, James's 36 5-6 months and Joshua's 23 5-6 Tom Daly's Column

Comes written

THE DARK DAY It was so dark at noon today We could not look across the way When teacher's back was turned and Stretched up our necks and tried to see Above the classroom window sill, Then everybody got so still And solemn looking like they do At funerals I searcely Rnew If I should show my feelings too Or smile at teacher in her chair And make pretend I didn't care. But that's exactly tchat I did For when she smiled at me I hid The quiver that was in my chin And let a pleasant smile come in.

Then teacher made us rise and sing Until the recess bell would ring; And when it did she kindly said: It looks so stormy overhead will not ask you to come back," Outside it was so strange and black Instead of shining in the sun I did not speak to any one But ran as fast as I could run Until I came to our own door And fell my mother's hand once more So now I've had my lunch and here Without the slightest bit of fear I sit and try to study out What all this blackness was about.

First off, I must admit to you, I was afraid the world was through Or else the war had reached our land With enemies an every hand But now I think I really know What made the veil of darkness grow, Fre often seen on Chestnut street How window-dressers spread a sheet So you may not too quickly view What they will soon display for you. This dark was hung up for the sprin To hide the flowers and everything That it's preparing now to bring! If you should sneer at this narration, I'd like to hear your explanation.

Peering out into the outer darkn when it first began to gather, we watche the electric lights growing brighter at more numerous and noted the first flow ering of the business signs. The earl to blossom on Sixth street read BAR

Pathos

This is the story of an amusement a ertisement that became a death notice The LEDGER prepared this neat I card and submitted proof to Super tendent Carson:

Zoological Gardens
OPEN DEEN DAY
OF CHILDREN DAY
OF CHILDREN DAY
OF CHILDREN DAY
OF CHILDREN
OF CHILDRE
OF

The proof came back bearing this scription: "The above would be O. K. if our

Robert D. Carson, Supt." A DIFFERENCE The blushing bride bursts on our view,

and only giraffe had not died last ni

If you can change the cut please do.s.

In wedding finery greated.

We hope she is the maid so true. But know she is the trousseau maid.

CANNED OPENERS

Predigested Preludes Prepared

Postprandial Prattlers The class will please suppose this more ing that one of its component member has been selected to respond to a toust a the annual dinner of the County Less and Judicial Fraternity. He will are and adjust over his ears and under his chin a fringe of bushy and vivid gress foliage. An audience will stand for almost anything from one unmistakable marked as of the humorous race. He

will then say: "I was told, gentlemen, that I would med here a lot of distinguished people in fact, the felly that told me, not beint very careful of his enunciation, said mosyou would be noted as wearers a rmin. I was in the army once meself. so I feel at home

At any rate you don't scare me, for if not the Irish, were born to stand be fore judges? It was one of up., I know, who having been hated into co frow, who having been hated into the felt the searching eye of the judge him. Your face is familiar,' sex.he. yer honor.' sex the felly, 'Ahat and was the charge the last time I saw x 'Twinty-five cents, yer honor. You a brandy an' a big one. I'm the

tender down at Clancy's." Do you know they say the purest Est is spoken in Dublin? Well, there's U in it. There is so. In Dublin they in it. There is so. It nounce 'lawyer' 'liar.'

The speaker will remember that "bris a legal term and that it may be wat this point to consider his end. One of the denizens of our bull

straining his eyes through the fog, no and called to our attention a sign on window of the stationers' shop next to the bank on Chestnut street just a Sixth: "Is Your Bank Account Safe Later it was explained to us that stationer was merely advertising a che writing device.

Sir—I did not see the bunkhound at 1 Dog Show yesterday, so it looks as if might be grooming for the fellows who p form that atrocity agains; good tastegreen carnation" for March 17th. They already at it, all right. I heard severa them asking for green dye. I think should also get after those triplet for That kind of thing sets people to thin Twins are bad enough with prices of potatoes and porridge at their present, digious figures. I expect the next bus-tiplets they will be scaling you will riplets they will be scuding you

A B C. Saft a weel Erin go Bragh! Ha, ha, ha! Happy go lucky. Old Kentucky. Here's tae us. Who's like us?

Send your good old bunkhound to the track" of all this bunk. HEATHER I *Kentucky counts for two after the

THE MESSY PAINTER

To point us preen and blue and .

The Kaiser had a plan,
But when he found the Jop a least