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Cheero ! You've found something. But don't to making an everlasting howl about it ecause it has probably been the truth for

There are times when our ignorance comes home to us with the certain insistence of death. And just such a time is this very moment as we read an advertisement, sent to us in the morning mail, asking if we have need of a "Prince, Smith & Son 5-cylinder Hot-Air Back

AUTOCRACY AT HOME To the Editor of the Evening Ledger.

Wife Answered

Sir-Allow me the privilege of addressing to you this letter and expressing my protest

bought at the price of degradation. Such a peace 1 acorn, as do also all true Ameri-cans. I'd be very proud to sign myself "A Soldier's Wife," but my husband is too old. But if the day ever comes when our country calls him and needs him he'll go, for he, too, loves our starry banner. But in case he ever refused such a call I'd never, no, never, sign myself Mrs. FREHAFER

Riverside, Pa., August 20

millionaires who rob the people.

the rest of the people suffer.

BASEBALL IN WAR TIME

When the United States first determined

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here was a considerable drop in the attend-

ance at the major league parks and, for

ican organizations are exceedingly

and make the 1917 season a financial

Another thing which contributed to

or high posts.

POLITICAL PARTIES AND

 What is a shallon?
What is a shallon?
How muny children
Velt?
What was the real na the humorist?
What is the technic rastime? wrote "The Tale of a Tub"? was the real name of Artemus Ward.

is the technical musical word for 10. What is the capital of Montana?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

UBLIC LEDGER COMPANY BUS E. E. CURTIS, Passionry H. Ludington, Vice President Secretary and Treasurer: Phi Shn E. Williams, John J. Spu

BUREAUS

and are going to get it, but they did not quit work, and 7000 of them signed a petition pledging their loyalty to the

Once landed there, however, a certain

amount of latitude may obtain. The in-

teresting repertoire includes "mutton

chops," Burnsides, Dundrearies, Van

Dykes, Galways and many subtle varia-

tions of these. The wearer may take his

pick. And this thought may comfort him

as he decides; the war may go on, but

as barbering grows exorbitantly high

whiskers will remain cheap. They are

prophetic name for him.

cance of a pun will be applied.

adoption by striking shipwrights.

them

ward!

Spanish monarchy.

of her foes on three fronts.

s doubt on any such

nature's gift, free as the breeze that blows

King Victor's parents picked a most

The news that "steel prices are to

Even pacifism may have its uses.

To their historic "They shall not

Barcelona's rioters have a discon

he fixed" makes us hope the full signifi-

Uncle Sam would heartily welcome its

pass!" of Verdin slege days, the French

can now add "But we will-and ever for-

certing way of spoiling every interview

with Alfonso XIII that emphasizes the

"complete restoration of order" in the

to labor troubles at this time. several centuries before you were born and Patriotism does not go on strike will be for a tolerable time after you die. And heades, it probably doesn't matter much THE LOW COST OF WHISKERS chother it is the truth or not. This is the Englishman who understands sport as no COME men start whiskers, some achieve other people in the world understand it. If whiskers, some have whiskers thrust is the Englishman who grows intolerably upon them. The drafted class was forrich making cheese and talks about nothing merly insignificant in this vicinity. In but woodcarving, or the Englishman who matters of facial scenery a liberal volunrealizes at twenty-five that he can live deteering spirit prevailed. Vexed by the cently on his income of \$2500 a year and transit service, oppressed by gang bosses, so decides that work, for money, is too irritated by the fickle weather, even a much of a fag. It is a fine type, but it is not the type which makes individual second-fiddler in his own household, a male Philadelphian might have been, but prophets or martyrs. It takes nothing seri-ously enough. For, whether you think shaves were cheap. Concerning hirsute Punch funny or not, you must admit that offairs he was master of his fate. the English sense of humor exists in one way; they have the faculty here of not tak-Fast fading are those carefree days. North of Market street the ten-cent shave ng themselves or their situations seriously. Life isn't important enough. s but a memory of a happy past. Three The new England will not be like that nickels are demanded now. The Girard It is already taking itself and its future with the utmost gravity, and that apart Avenue Barbers' Association has so ruled. The rigid laws of economics indicate that from the serious situation in the war. That is Mr. Bennett all over. His profound gravity, his deep and serious thought about this price raising must soon march southward. Furthermore, when once the cost ocial affairs, his preoccupation with the of an article of service starts to rise it future, are all parts of this new tendency has a good chance of eventually skytake everything at a little more than its rocketing. One extra nickel looks good face value. To read Mr. Bennett on the ansorship is enough to give any democrat a nightmare. The Englishman of ten years democrat to the "tonsorial artist." Two would look better. Men who are not opulent will ago would have said that it was a bore get then have to choose between squandering ting one's letters opened by people who weren't haif intelligent enough to write part of their carnings in "parlors" of witty comment on the margins. Mr. Ben-"tonic" and talk and being conscripted nett sees the end of the world ! into the whisker class,

truth, your well-bred Englishman will say: nation and announcing their opposition

ut offering their fortunes at the altar. Robert Morris put his dollars with his heavt. There are other Robert Morrises who have done the same thing in this day and generation. Only yesterday the West reported the case of a musician who had pledged his entire fixed income of \$60,000 a year to war relief, and would in the meantime depend on his own efforts for a living. News came the same day of dissolution of a brokerage firm on Wall street because one member had gone to the front and the other was about to go. No, wealth has not lurked in the shadows or shirked in the open. The nation can afford to be proud of the liberality which has characterized the

American Croesus in this hour of trial.

rienced. The Federal Reserve banking

system in this situation has been of in-

calculable value. Individuals have trans

lated their patriotism into personal serv-

ice, and they have not volunteered their

We assume, therefore, that few men with incomes exceeding a million will strive to prevent the confiscatory legislation proposed, unless their knowledge of banking and the theory of finance convinces them that the foundations of prosperity are being trifled with. The question is not: Is it right to take two-thirds of all incomes over a million? The issue is whether or not it is safe, expedient and sound financing so to do. Senator Lodge thinks not. He is afraid that the sources of revenue will be disturbed unduly, resulting in financial timidity and a general slackening of all industrial processes. He may be right and he may be wrong. There is no precedent from which to deduce the probable result of drastic direct taxation coupled with drastic price-fixing. It is a shattering of the ancient foundations on which the whole commercial structure of the country has rested. But It is a time demanding new methods. Old procedure is being cast aside in every line of governmental activity.

Men of means, whatever final course the Government may take, must cheer fully comply. If it becomes necessary to conscript every resource in the nation, animate or inanimate, such conscription must be accepted and made part of the struggle for the perpetuation of the prin ciples to which we are devoted. No necmary sacrifice will be denied. The country asks only that its affairs be administered intelligently and honestly. If navured of that, it can endure all burdens,

#### DEAD IN FRANCE

ESTERDAY brought news of the th of Julian Biddle and of Edmund lladelphians who had seen their flected to fulfill it. It will the casualty lists will

### England "Rotting With Culture"

Possibly this is a transition stage, a But it gives us at least the certainty that whatever the new type of Englishman will be, it will not be the old type. That goes. And we may have some regrets. What is going out is culture, of a type, famous English novelist told me a few

days ago that this country was "rotting with culture" and he hoped that we Ameri-cans with our breeze and our snap and our carelessness about form and our care for life would have a good effect on this voeful England Probably we will, and beg that no American be surprised if me Englishmen resent the change a little and accuse us of changing the tempo of life from the sweet sonata or necturne of an English day to the zippy rag of Americanism. It's bound to hurt.

It is hurting already, and those who are little indifferent to certain aspects of English social life are having a very good time watching the patient squirm. Yester-day or so he let out a wild war-whoop in the London Morning Post, telling all undry that we were not fighting for racy, which was all claptrap and nincom poopery. The British soldier, at least, was lighting for what he had always fought King and Country. (Merely to suggest that both King and Country are in any way connected with democracy causes a commotion in the office of the Morning Post). Mr. Bennett, who is so much at-tached to his country that he would certainly be willing to sacrifice the King to it, is probably not amused by the Morning Post. He may be worried by the effect of Post, He may be worried by the effect of such talk on neutrals, or on Allies. And the Englishman who is passing out, often as democratic as the next man, would say that the old Morning Post didn't matter and that somebody probably had indiges. Germany's own valuation of a scrap of paper cannot console her much just tion.

now, as, holding the papal peace plea in The next generation is going to be emi her hand, she hears the victorious guns nently pushful and "get-there." tremen-dously commercial and industrial, compelled to make money, compelled to make terr with labor, compelled to live better th Some coal men would be only too glad to believe that the dollar-a-ton re-

to make money, compelled to make terms with labor, compelled to live better than its predecessors. And it will be demo-cratic, will have the future of the people and of the country really at heart. It will probably make mistakes. It is pessible that we will be able to have avoiding the versit of these duction of bituminous fuel prices is the most unkindest cut of all," but the nce of further knife thrusts casts

washing Machine with Bailing Gill Box attached."

YESTERDAY we took from the Journal of Dr. Alexander Hamilton some wise comments upon the complexion of New York as it seemed to him when he first visited it in June, 1744. We overlooked this human bit:

# YORK FERRY

At 5 in the afternoon I called at one Baker's that keeps the York Ferry, where, while I set walting for a passage, there came in a man and his wife that were to go over. The woman was a heauty, having a fine complexion and good features, black eyes and hair and an elegant shape. had an amorous look, and her eyes, me-thought, spoke a language which is univerally understood. While she sat there her

tongue never lay still, and tho' her discourse was of no great importance, yet methought her voice had music in it, and I was fool enough to be highly pleased to see her smiles at every little impertinence she uttered. She talked of a neighbour of hers that was very ill, and said she was sure she would die, for last night she had dreamt of nothing but white horses and washing of linen. I heard this stuff with as much surprise as if Demosthenes or Cleero had been exerting their best talents, but meantime was not so and eyes, and not that it was the fine face and eyes, and not the discourse that cheered me. At 6 o'clock but meantime was not so stupid but I kns

in the evening I landed at New York,

Mr. Aaron E. Brandt, of Harrisburg, champion of Christian Science, takes exception to some adverse criticism expressed in this column by Hugh Merr. "If you suffered at all through Christian Science," says Mr. Brandt, "it was due entirely to wrong thoughts." "Whose; mine or the practitioner's?" askes Hugh Merr, and he goes on to inquire whose wrong thoughts were responsible for the recent death of Archibald McLellan, editor of the Christian Science Monitor. We feel we owe Mr. Brandt space for a reply and the column is therefore open to himwithin reason.

#### Will some one with the time to spare and a head hard enough to withstand buffets take a crack at the Scotch-Irish?

We want to get a rise out of Shon Rea, who hasn't been heard from for ages. FRONT TRENCH CANDIDATES

111 First place across the water

Where Hun guns smash and slaughter, For Stephen O'Bograting Who's always perpetrating They ain't" and "hadn't oughter."

KRANK. IV

May busy Berthas get That (reverse English) pet Who nowadays is found On every baseball ground, His neighbors to annoy By yelling "Attaboy!"

#### THE LADY WITH THE OINGHAM APRON

"Sure, if I had one o' them woolly dogs like the woman next door, I'd nanage-wid the aid of a clothes prop os o' supe to tie him to the

against the scandal perpetrated against the To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: city by the so-called Smith-Mitten lease

Sir-On Saturday, August 18, 1 boarded presented in Councils last Friday. In these times, when patriotism is of car and found a newspaper on the seat I paramount importance and should be exoccupied. I had never read this paper before, pected of every honorable 'citizen in the and as I began turning the pages I was thunderstruck to find the following exprescrisis of the nation as well as in the affairs sion on the primary election in Dayton, O. of his city government, I can hardly believe that a certain group of individuals where the Socialist candidates were successwho infest City Hall are trying to commit ful: "Germans Win First Battle on Land the most outrageous act against our citizens Against Americans." Well ! Well ! How can and against the principles of democratic any editor permit such an absurd, silly statement to appear in his paper? How can government in a free nation.

a citizen be accused of being pro-German Please use your great influence because he chooses to cast his vote for others power to support the efforts of former Director A. Merritt Taylor, who has asthan the rotten Republican and Democratic candidates? According to the statement sumed the leadership in the fight against this criminal combination now in control of the newspaper, a citizen must vote for here, which is a menace far worse than the these misrepresentatives of the people or most autocratic government in Europe and else he will be branded as a German symnathizer. should be overthrown for freedom's sake The editor of that newspaper will find n America. out more at the coming elections in our own

FREDERICK R. GRETZMACHER. Philadelphia, August 21.

#### PLENTY OF WORK FOR ALL to the Editor of the Evening Ledger:

Sir-Of course \$25 a month will not keep a person, but it will help. This is not the time for helpless women. If we have to work, we can. I have two children, and if the time comes when I have to work, I can and will do so. As for working in mills, referred to by "A Real American," we will tot have to do that. I know of a houseceeper who advertised for work last week. She received twenty-five letters and eight ins called on her, all begging her to work for them. Any one can find all kinds of work if he wishes to.

If the "Wife of a Disgusted Conscript and the person singing himself "A Real American" will stop to think I am sure they will change their minds and will find ething to do besides find fault with country that did not want to fight but had This is the time for all Americans to work together. Philadelphia, August 17. MOTHER

o the Editor of the Evening Ledger; Sir-If you receive any more letters like the one signed "Wife of a Disgusted Conance at the major league parks and, for a time, it appeared as if the backers of the sport would be heavy losers on the season. But, once the flurry had died down, the fans again turned to the pastime which they have script," please put them in the waste basket. You will conserve ink, and save us red-blooded American women the shame of owning we have such jelly-fish in our be-

made the most popular in the world, and as the races in both the National and Amerthere no longer remains a doubt that there will be sufficient excitement to sustain pop-ular interest right through the world's series Women like her would have gathered up the tea thrown on the waters at the oston tea party. Shame on all her type! Boston tea party. Shame on all her type! Such women will cause the Germans to ahout "victory" even before the first battle is fought, for well they know from expe-rience that a soldier is braver when he knows the woman he loves is praying for him, and would be ashamed of any dis-loyal act of his. I'd rather be a soldier's widow a thousand the ow a thousand times over than the or mother of a slacker.

good would it do to have all the rent money if all the houses were destroyed by bombs and there were no dwellings to be any price? Shoes can be bought for less than \$7 or \$5 per pair, and if a woman learns to do her own sewing \$1.50 will buy the material for a house dress good enough for any wife to look neat in to the eyes of a leyal soldier humand. But I very much doubt if "A Diagnored Contents SOCIALISM

Answers to restering a constant of the President to be director of priority transportation.
A stalactific is a deposit of carbonate of lime hanging downward, usually in the form of an icicle from the roof of a cave. A stalagmite is composed of the same material and projects upward from the floor of a cave.
Louis Adolphe Thiers was first President of the Third French Republic.
Dolly Madison, wife of James Madison, was perhaps the most famous belle and beauty of the White House. She was born of Quaker parents.

Gusker parents. 5. The French military term "pied-a-terre" means a foothold. Idternily the words 6. William 'lifeot-to-the-ground. 6. William Hale Thompson is Mayor of Chi-

Within The Prompson is singer of Currents, "The God' Dimming," but the mean English rendering of this title of Wayner's opera is "The Dusk of the Gods."
Viadivostok is the Eeastern terminus of the Trans-Siherian Relivay.
Lord Broucham, of England, was the anther of the expression "the streat unwashed." His dates are 1778-1868.
Anne Hathaway was the wife of William Shakespeare.

## PEGGY ARNOLD AFTER THE TREASON

DEGGY SHIPPEN ARNOLD has long city and State, as well as throughout the been cleared of any charge of complicity in her husband's treacherous plot to hetray country in the next four years, for our peo-ple, our working classes, are beginning to think more and learn more about the sohis country, but Philadelphia in 1789 was taking no chances. Shortly after the arrest called representatives who promise to repre-sent the people if elected and who, after elec of Major Andre and the discovery of the plan to deliver West Point into English hands. Mrs. Arnold returned to her fathers tion, represent a handful of thick-necked home in Philadelphia. Some friends of the Can any intelligent citizen vote for our Shippen family asserted that the young Republican candidates who favor the grab by the P. R. T. Company so gallantly opwife would have been glad to remain in this city for good while her husband served osed by the EVENING LEDGER? Of course under King George. But if such had been not. Voting for Democrats is going from bad to worse, and yet voting for the So her wish it was emphatically frustrated by a resolution passed by the Philadelphia City Council. One month after her return her return

here this notice was served on her: In Council

cialist candidate means pro-Germanism to some boneheads who only look to their own interests and their own stomachs and let Philadelphia, Friday, October 27, 1780. Let me assure the editors and bonehead "The Council, taking into consideration the case of Mrs. Margaret Arnold (the wife o-called patriots that I was a Democrat ong before I was naturalized, and I worked of Benedict Arnold, an attainted traiton mighty hard for the Democratic party for eight years. But no more. Both Republican with the enemy in New York), whose resi-dence in this city has become dangerous eight years. But no more. Both Republican and Democratic officeseekers only represent to public safety, and this board being desir the parties in name, not in principle. I an for Socialism hereafter for the working peo ous as much as possible to prevent any cor-respondence and intercourse being carried ple and for my co-toilers, and 1 am as good a patriot as any intelligent American. For America forever, MORRIS GORIN. Philadelphia, August 20. on with persos of disaffected character if this State and the enemy at New York, and specially with the said Benedict Arnold; therefore.

# "Resolved, That the said Margaret Arnold depart this State within fourteen days from the date thereof, and that she do not return during the continuance of the present war." Considerable pressure was brought to tear on the council to induce it to rescind this order, but the effect proved unavailing. "It makes me melancholy every time I think of her reunion to that infernal villain" is a of her reunion to that internal vision of the passage occurring in the correspondence of Edward Burd, who had married Pessy Shippen's sister. The letter continues: "The sacrifice was an immense one, that of her much

being married to him at all. It is much more so to be obliged against her will to so to the arms of a man who appears to be so very black." The exact state of Mrs. Arnold's feelings

The exact state of Mrs. Arnold's learning at the time are, however, still open to ques-tion. Washington Irving in his "Life of Washington" records that it was "strongly against Mrs. Arnold's will that she rejoined her husband in New York." But the faot remains that banishment from Philadelphis did not necessarily involve that Mrs. Arnold cess. In fact, some of the teams, such as the Cincinnati Reds, the St. Louis Cardinais and the Cleveland Indians, give promise of making more money for their owners than in many moons, for, instead of being trail-ers, as they have too often been in the past, they have been displaying unexpected "pep" for a considerable time, and have been battling with the usual benuant contenders attling with the usual pennant contenders

remains that banishment from Philadelphis did not necessarily imply that Mrs. Arnold should return to her husband's home. The simplest explanation is that she was fond of him in spite of all, for she bore him four children after she had left Philadelphia. The Arnolds lived subsequently in Ens-land. Three sons became officers in the British army and the daughter married into the East Indian service. Edward Shippes Arnold, who had been born in Philadelphis before his father's assignment to West south won had been in India is the service of the Einst Indian in the Another thing which contributed to a clearing of the atmosphere was the virtual certainty that the teams would not be "shot to pieces" because of the draft, for few of those within the prescribed are limits are without dependents. In addition, those play-ers who intend to enlist will wait until the

A PATRIOTIC REPLY

loved country.

If \$25 may not pay the rent now, what