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An' lots of folks are saying things that

I've simply got to hustle out before my

An' stroll around on Chestnut street to

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see what news is new.

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Philadelphia, Saturday, November 3, 1917.

THE VARE-SMITH RED HERRING

THE Vare-Smith Frog Hollow combination, masquerading as Republican, is "pulling the old stuff" in support of its "noy-fifty" ticket with all the zest of a discovered novelty. Contractor govern ment sets up the fetish of party loyalty and urges danger to the protective tariff and other tenets of Republicanism if the Town Meeting candidates are returned to the "Row" offices and Councils' chambers. for are not some of these candidates Democrats and are not others the even more detested reformers?

This spread-eagle type of spellblnding unfortunately still has some effect in a mighty Republican city such as Philadelphia, but at times citizens break away from it. This was the case in the reform victory of 1905 and in the verdict in favor of Mr. Blankenburg later. Each election creates more forward-looking, civically minded voters.

Like Ithuriel's spear that "knows no brother." contractor - and - thug politica knows no party. The reciprocity between Quay and Croker has not yet been obliterated from memory any more than has the "blocks-of-five" suffrage scandal In which imported "floaters" carried Indiana. Of later record is the mutual understanding by which William Lorimer secured temporarily his scat in the United States Senate, thanks to purchased Demo cratic votes. And none of these had the slightest interest in or value for the fate of the nation. They were local and personal; in no sense national.

Let voters remember, those voters to whom appeal is made in these closing to days of the campaign against "Bloody Fifth" politics on the grounds of G. O. P.

various grounds, as his taking leave of FINEST BLOOD it-not the manner of the leavetaking. but the fact of the farewell. In view of his pertinacious, Prussianly refusal to pay merely outward and conventional respect to the land in which he was a guest by omission of its national anthem from his concert, he had outlived his usefulness The "Star Spangled Banner" may not

be great music and may not belong on symphony programs in ordinary times, but these are not ordinary times, and the "Star Spangled Banner," despite lack of Mozartian or Wagnerian musical merit, is no ordinary air, for it voices never be determined to the satisfaction of the national spirit of a people in a great war for democracy and freedom. As a symbol of patciotism and Americanism it elongs on any program whereon the people demand it, and belongs all the

more when disrespect to it is made an issue of a technical-and apparently actual-enemy alten. Maybe Doctor Muck can find more congenial musical can produce. The New Yorker is even more employment leading the Philharmonic in Berlin; if so, he will play "Die Wacht and the Bostonian will admit of no arguam Rhein," or that other marvel of classical form and beauty, "Deutschland ueber Alles," without lowering of his artistic standards or shock to his temperamental sensibilities.

THE NAKED FACTS

IMPEACHMENT and removal from office are the least of the demands made by Mayor Smith's accusers. The Grand Jury, in recommending his impeachment, is only seconding the motion that was made by all respectable citizens

when the use of the police in Fifth Ward he is entitled, for he is the least worldly politics, or the neglect to use the police to stop an orgy of Fifth Ward political crime-what is the difference?-became an established fact. The Mayor is under bail, charged with

crimes punishable by imprisonment. The honor of the city demands that the fullest inquiry be made to establish his status before the law. For this reason the Mayor himself should welcome the drastic investigation which the action of the Grand Jury calls for. Philadelphia, as well as its Mayor, is on trial before the nation, and if the city fails to establish the precise facts in this case and to set them out in their nak-dness for the ver-

dict of history there will be such a blot upon our citizenry as will take many years of repentance to erase

THE GERMAN DISASTER

U-BOAT destructiveness has been reduced far below the estimate made several months ago by the most optimistic Allled observers. This is the Saxon dominating fact of the present situation. Without considering this fact, the develpments of the last few days in Italy and Russia would lead public opinion to a chaos of unwarranted apprehensions. The announcement just made in the House of Commons by Sir Eric Geddes shows that the British and American navies have done excellent work in patrolling the danger zone, and the vital point is that shipments to England are greater now than they were when the U-boats were at their maximum efficiency. It is true that in the strict military aspect the Geddes report does not directly example negative the Italian losses. But this world war is not being fought with a

proportion and of the relative values of the factors. The failure of the U-boat campaign to measure up to expectations tion is to be found in Philade a a disaster to Germany, a farat di not to be retrieved by the invasion of Italy. The United States has always been a potential for infinitely more capable than Italy of destroying the German military machine, and Germany would never have invited us to make war if she had not in desperation counted on other municipal work-not at all for na- the submarines to bring her a speedy victory Her U-boats will not bring her victory and the capture of several corps of Italiau troops will not compensate for her failure.



son and Lincoln-Plan to Educate the "Children of Nature"

By VERNER JONES THE argument as to which section of the

I've got to train my eagle eye on every L country or which particular spot produces the "most typical" American will An' for the things I cannot see I'll use the general public for the reason that every I'll poke my nose in everything that promcommunity feels that it is entitled to the distinction.

The slightest information as to how the The Philadelphian is convinced that that type of good old U. S. A. citizen seen walk ing down Chestnut street any fine afternoon I'll snoop around an' swoop around upon is the real simon-pure American article. the best that the best country and best city An' any news that gets away will sure be certain of his contention for Broadway, But even now, I'll bet my socks, before ment upon the superiority of the Beacon That Virtue is triumphant by the score street type. Even doubt upon this point to the Bostonian mind is a reflection upon the inquirer's intelligence. The citizen of I've always said that prophecies con-

Chicago, of St. Louis, of San Francisco and of New Orleans feels sure of his claims for Are seldom satisfactory, but mostly good his home town, and even each small-fry burg is so American as to believe its par-But that's because the prophet often folticular product the best in the American tiop.

lows a mirage, Or takes for actuality what's merely The purest American type, however, is not to be found in the cities. He is not camouflage. even known in the small towns. He does Now when I start to hunt the news-on not, in fact, know the distinction to which here's my hunting day-I'll wager there'll be mighty little truth wise of his American fellow beings. He is a child of nature, shut off from his that pets away-But even now, I'll bet my sacks, before

fellow man by coves and rugged streams, That Virtue is triumphant by the scor

uspicious nature and above all, by a wall Some prophets are no good at all because of ignorance that has denied him en-ightened converse and communion with his fellow man and has kept him and his ection in a state of seeming hopeless ackwardness. He has not been forgotten f God, for his natural surroundings are But when I start to gather in the plain spiring and promotive of the kind of ireanus that awake endeavor and inspire imbition. He hus, however, been forgotten always give the other side a chance to his fellow countrymen, who, thei ush for advancement and aggrandizement have overlooked even the existence of their physically and mentally shut-in neighbor. I never let my prejudices interfere, you

Of Pure Anglo-Saxon Stock

There's nothing of the bullhead or the The real bona fide American of ancier bigot, sirs, in me-But even now, I'll bet my socks, before my work's begun,

> That Virtue is triumphant by the score of 5 to 1.

For instance, now, this morning while upon my way to work,

came upon a citizen, an ugly-looking Turk, Who wore upon his countenance the

gangster's marks of sin; Good morning, sir," I said to him, "an

who is going to winf" He put his hand upon his hip. "Who's

gonna win?" said he; ain't allowed to name 'is name, but i besgin wit' 'V'

So there you are; I'll bet my socks, be before my work's begun,

That Virtue is triumphant by the score of 5 to 1.

Yet now that it's a Saturday upon Elec tion's eve

An' I am rustling round to see just what we can believe, I fear it may be Wednesday, sirs, before

my work is through.

own by the Mayor, who refused to have an article in which my name was used, and anything to do with the destruction of party that had stood by him so loyally while for the last ten and a half years I have been perfectly satisfied to practice his fight. Notwithstanding the refusal law and, so far as city politics were conbis part, the program was carried out by the other side, which succeeded in splitting cerned, to be a "looker-on in Israel," I do not believe you would purposely put me in the City party, but not in capturing the Re a wrong light before the public. ublican Organization, although that was You speak of the Salter case, which was tried by me personally within the first five months of my entrance into the District Attorney's office, and you dismise it with an innuendo that not even a hostile newstone in part. Did Not Use Police So it was that they succeeded in uniting vith the Republican Organization for th defeat of the candidate for District Atpaper used at the time. I want to say now, and finally, that the Salter case was the only case that I tried personally during candidate; and this was brought about in the whole of my period of office in which there was a verdict of "Not Guilty." I tried a great many cases personally while Disone of the rottenest political con ever held in this of in any other convention that was opened with praye trict Attorney-in fact, I was constantly and ended with purchasing delegates to trying-but it was not until after the trial of the Salter case that I became to some the whitewashing committee that was apextent aware of how the politicians han-dled jury panels in political prosecutions; and that I took advantage of this knowlpointed to investigate even recommended the prosecution of some of the men w who edge is seen when you look up the convic-tion of the Twenty-sighth Ward School Di-rectors, the last case I tried while District Charges were made of my using the polic want to say now most solemnly that I ad taken the police out of politics Attorney, and the verdict of "Guilty" was rendered the last day I was in the office. said at the time, I had removed politi on the police. I could have nominal I could have nominated I have said before, and I now say again Mr. Shover for District Attorney by the that I tried my utmost (and so did my as-sistants) to get a verdict of "Guilty" in se of the police, but I absolutely declined let the police be used in any way, shape the Salter case, and I believe the evide form; and I said to a ward leader on adduced warranted it, but the jury the morning of the convention, who had asked me to remove a police lieutenant from a district and put some one else there, and right otherwise. Reduced Tax Rate if I did so he would throw the delegates of two wards to Mr. Shoyer-I said to him that if Mr. Shoyer's nomination depended You then speak of the disappointment of the people during my first two years in the Mayor's office and that it was only in 1905 on the moving of a single police officer that the break came and that this war e would not be nominated Mr. Shover was not the Mayor's candi-date for District Attorney. He was his own candidate. He had the very laudable ambilion to fill that high office. He had re-signed his position as Director of Supplies esult of my friends' urging. Surely the sople know that I reduced the tax rate in Surely the 1903 from \$1.85 to \$1.50 (and, by the way. there was never any necessity for increas-ing it, and I said so at the time), which Monitor. In order to make a canvass. He infor



er-all this against his feeble efforts !

the City party and

Faithful to Reform

MR. WEAVER TELLS OF GANG'S WILES

Former Mayor Reviews Incidents of the Revolt of 1905

victory a suggestion was made by certain leaders of the reform party that we should To the Editor of the Evening Ledger: Republican Organization, which was turned Sir-Wednesday evening you published

increase the tax rate to \$2.25 and they What Do You Know? yould then take the water works and would lick the Executive of the city into the gut-QUIZ

The result of the gas-lease fight the peo-Who is Count von Hertling? le have not forgotten. The result of the lection in 1965, when the City party elected Name a Roman general who contested the supremacy of the empire with Juliu Caesar.

- their candidates with 50,000 majority against the Republican Organization, the people have not forgotten. But after that What is a facsimile?
 - 4. Who was Sir Arthur Sullivan?
 - Where is Sussex? Where is the Tagliamento and what is is present importance?
 - 7. Who is Orlando? . Who is Dr. Karl Muck?
 - 9. What is meant in England by the political issue called "Weish disestabilishment"
 - 10. What two chemical elements are in contable sait?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz 1. The Great Armada of 1588: a thousand

tock is to be found in the Blue Hills of he Appalachian range-in the western sec tions of Virginia, North and South Carolina, the eastern sections of Kentucky and Tennessee and the northern sections of Alabama and Georgia. He is the pure Angle direct descendant of Scotch-Irish and English Revolutionary stock, and he ssenses today the same primitive traits of character as his Revoluti nary ancestors Their names are simple and homely, mostly monosyllable; they live from hand to mouth

on the scant product of their hillside open patches, and they know naught of the enlightening influences of education, travel or communion of any kind with the outside Their horizon is the same physically as mentally; they know of nothing save what the human eye can comprehend hey are the people that Charles Egbers Craddock and John Fox have written about and they inhabit that charmed section that the late Senator Bob Taylor has described in wonderful word pictures, of which his lecture. "The Fiddle and the Bow," is an

Since the discovery of the real American his case has appealed to many, and the l is growing annually. There is no sole eye to any "strict military aspect." a general central organization with head-uarters in Washington with a national message in behalf of the necessity of enmust be viewed with a proper sense of lightening this backward people and the de velopment of their now wasted country into a second Switzerland. One of the most effective local branches of that organiza-

lense forests and mountain peaks that rise so high that they "tickle the feet of the angels," as a southern poet has stated it. He is forced further aloof by a shy and

loyalty, the contractor boas is a party man from mercenary motives only. He is as unaffected by principles as he is by scruples. He cares only for accepted bids at profitable rates for water works, street paving, garbage collecting and tional issues. "Jobs," not good governyas ment, is his watchword.

His henchmen, the "heelers," care only for their graft and protection as it filters down to the "little fellers."

The men at the front who dominate the filleit and immoral alliance between partisan politics and private gain care not a whit for large and vital concerns of national welfare or for the betterment of the city in which they live and wherefrom they take their ill-gotten profits. Their purposes and their party alignment are selfish and always ulterior in motive. In this city they are pseudo-Republicans. In New York they call themselves Demoerats.

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Contractor-bosses are not statesmen any more than they are patriots. They are merely money-changers is the temple of democracy. They should be whipped out through the blazing scorn of honest men who love their city, cherish their families and respect themselves. Philadelphia has the chance next Tuesday to drive them out into the utter darkness where contracts are nil and blackjacks are not an argument.

Burely the murder of Acting Detective Eppley and the subsequent revelations in court of the roltenness of the Gang have sufficiently stisred the public consciouswars and conscience to this point. It is ariy by such a quickening, by a flaming out of popular resentment at misgovernment, a devoted adhesion to ideals of what is best for Philadelphia, that the uity can turn the rascals out and keep them out. But they cannot be turned out if a sufficient number of respectable citizens do as they have misguidedly done In previous elections-misuse the franchise by custing straight party votes. nearkaning to Vare-Smith Interested pleas of party loyalty.

The red-herring argument is not strong mough this time to perfume sweetly the and put another dent in the helmet. stench of malodorous contractor-and-thus molitics.

DOCTOR MUCK QUITS US

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EX-MAYOR WEAVER ON GANG WILES

FORMER MAYOR JOHN WEAVER gives pointed testimony to the subtleties and trickerles of the Republican Organization at bay in his interesting letter, printed in another column, reviewing his conduct of the offices of District Attorney and Mayor. There are so many curious things about the Organization that any commentator on its processes and policies is likely to be baffled as to motives and results, and any one even remotely con flected with it is likely to be misunder

stood in some of his acts. In the news article published in this paper which has called forth the former Mayor's pertinent expose of machine methods no reflection on the honesty of his intentions and efforts was intended. and we gladly recognize the ideals and achievements which link his name with the City party triumph in the Revolt of 1905, the success of which is heartening to those who hope to add to the record the Town Meeting triumph in the Revoit of 1917 at Tuesday's polls.

The Kalser again assumes the Chancellorship, camouflaged under the name of Von Hertling.

Merritt Taylor says a band of pirates is sacking the city. Let's not have an Ash Wednesday next week.

Denunciation alone is weak. It must be followed by mobilization and extermination of Organization germs if we are to have political health.

There is romance in the navy and Americans love it. The traditions of the establishment must be lived up to, and the Balfig is as good a place as any other.

Four million women have thus far signed food-saving pledges in forty States. That ought to mean the saving of 4,000, 000 hushels of wheat a year for our Allies

If it came to a real showdown, we

rather imagine that we could lay a couple of tens on the table for every dollar the Kalser could produce, and we'd scarcely have to touch our capital to do it. If wealth is a measure of affiand in some respects it is not T that we are should

Beginning but four years ago in a humway, the home organization now num a more than 200 members and annually contributes a substantial sum to the edu-cation of the people of the section along adustrial and practical lines. An attracive basasr is in progress today at the Belle-vue-Stratford for the benefit of the movement. The present leaders of this earnest band of unselfah and patriotic workers are Mrs. Louis Lewis, president, 4324 Pine street; Mrs. William T. Headley, secretary 328 West Johnson street, Germantown, and Mrs. Luther M. Chase, treasurer, 6700 Cres-

Expenditures General

aeim road, Germantown.

The purposes of the organization with hich the local branch is affiliated are not in the interest of a pet institution or an individual enterprise. It operates for the ndividual enterprise. hereful of the general work now being done in the isolated section of the southern States, where the movement for a general cam-paign of education and redemption of both the neores and the southern states. to people and the country is in progress. Their expenditures are made where practical necessities in the way of school equip-ment are the most urgently demanded.

Those interested in the spiendid work reort slow progress, but they also report such in the way of encouragement. They the people enger to learr, and they have demonstrated that the val ven the mountain tops are adapted to cul-vation. The fact is also pointed to with speful pride that even without home adleys and vantages the section in question has con-tributed to American history many illus-

Among men pointed to as representin roducts of the section are Andrew Jack-on, Abraham Lincoln, Admiral Farragut, Sam Houston and Fighting Bob Evans. To velop even another such one would prove n imperishable honor. The general situation is further improved

y the fact that the handling of the problem without the dread complication that con-ronts any other southern educational or evelopment enterprise. In that the racial uestion does not enter. The negro does not we in the mountain sections for two rea-ons. One is that he is not adapted to the stimitive and rough conditions of m existence and the other is that he is not allowed to live there by the natives. With a natural and deep-seated antagonism toward the plantation and slave-holding and ristocratic element, the Appalachian moun-aineer was, during the Civil War, solidly ederal in sympathy, and is today as solid Republican in national politics as he as solidly Union during the conflict. In sy event, he entertains no attachment. any. entimental or otherwise, for his brother in

black, and will not reside in the same community with hfm or allow him to oc-cupy his place in the sun. the mame Such an opportunity as the m

offers to the American public in the light of conditions outlined would appear to cover the entire field of inducement to participate n a cause really worth while, for its at-ractiveness would seem equally appealing from a patriotic, sentimental or a sporting stando

PATRIOTIC MINISTERS

PATRIOTIC MINISTERS The action of the Board of Education of the Freshyterian Church in requesting all ministerial condidates to waive exemption from military service offered them by law a "future ministers of the goapel" is characteristic. As the board adds, the stand "represents the epilti of loyalty on the part of the Presbyterian Church." That Church has the proud pre-eminence of having been the first formally to congrutulate George Washington as Commander in-Chief of the arrow of the united colonies in the Revolu-tion and pledge its allegiance to the states it required an each from its members to composed the Lubon in the Civil War. It could not two the the Service and Itoparts of the action of the united colonies in the Service of the support the United colonies in the Service of the states of two the the Service and Civil War. It could not two the the Service and Itopart for and the service the science of the states.

strolling 'round on Chestnut street to see what news is new.

Indeed, the wicked always seem to die arder in Pennsylvania than in most other States. Maybe our glorious climate has something to do with it.

IF YOUR eyesight's fair and your mem ry will serve you the next time you pass through City Hall courtyard, take a look at the south wall, just as you pace under the archway leading into Broad street. and you'll see something strange. It's a

block of marble-or maybe it's granitepainted white. Just above the easternmost corner of

the arch, about on a level with the second floor, the stone looks out upon the courtyard. The paint is a bit worn, as well it may be, for it probably hasn't been re newed since it was first applied thirty years ago. It was about 1887 that some sharp-eved fellow, with an Imagination. noticed in that block of marble a curious

accidental arrangement of the black veins in the white stone which presented the ikeness of a circus lady swinging upon a rapeze. He pointed it out to others and they in turn passed it along to their neighbors. Folks came on pilgrimages to see it, the newspapers mentioned it, and the crowds grew and grew. In time they really got to be a nuisance, and one day the Administration applied the whitewash brush to that interesting spot in the City Hall and blotted the lady away. But

she's there yet, under her paint.

The Literary Editor dusted off a chair for the lady.

"I have called," she said, "to thank you for the notice you gave my 'History of Woman Suffrage,' but you had one curious typographical error." "Yes?" 'Yes, you speak of me as 'a new h-let-e-r-i-c-a-l writer." "That's so. Hys-terical should be spelled with a 'y.' shouldn't it?"

Frank P. Adams's "Weights and Measires" is out. Most of the measures are as light and as merry at this one, so you'll want more. The book is to be had for the weight of an ironman: THE NO-LONGER-MERRY ANCIENT

MONARCH

old King Cole was a me ry old soul, And a merry old soul was he, Fill he called for his pipe, and called for his

bowi, And called for his fiddlers three.

His pipe, that cost, in the days of old But a dollar seventy-four Now cost him twenty dollars in gold

On account of the well-known war,

His bowl-and though, in the olden time, When Lowis were cheap and good At a cent aplece-now cost a dime, On account of the dearth of wood.

d his fiddlors three who played so grand For a doilar and a half a day, Were known as The Ukulele Band In a midnight cabaret.

fes, Old Ming Cole was a merry old soul. And a to o a was he, till he called for his pipe, and called for his bowk. And called for his hadings three.

incurred the bitter hostility of all the Orwe that he had the promise of two-thirds of the delegates in that convention to vote or him. I had made him my special assistant ganization leaders; my breaking the mo-nopoly of the street-paving contractors and reducing the cost of street paving, both asphalt and brick, \$1 per yard, which in-curred the hostility of John M. Mack and intrict attorney and my director of suppl scause of his honorable dealing in the matter of the widow and daughters of his the other leaders; my stopping of supple-mental and extensions of contracts made the hostility of the Organization leaders complete. They succeeded in divorcing every one of their followers in Councils and wn preceptor, and a contract that was most unrighteous one that he lived up to to the letter. My Shoyer was defeated-Mr. Gibboney was nominated in a convention that I have already stigmatized, and will do all of the petty officeholders whose all and could tell who were respongiance they held from the Mayor. uble for the conditions there.

This continued for two years, and the Mayo then decided himself, without any urgin from his friends (and he had to the depth of his own conscience and his own heart), that he would have a fight Subsequently I came out with a personal idorsement of Edwin S. Stuart for Goy ernor and Samuel P. Rotan for District Attorney. For this, which I believed to be in the interests of good government, I was with the Organization, and if he was de-feated he would resign from office; but he would try to give the people an opportunity

stignmatized as a traitor, and upon that I was charged with having descreted the cause of reform, and you said in your arti-cle that I ended my career as a reformer. be self-governed. to be self-government. This decision was taken in the fall of 1994, and some of the Organization leaders knew of it, for they had a bill prepared in knew of it, for they had a bill prepared in a law office in Philadelphia and presented to the then Governor that tore out the en-tire city government and established a dictatorship as was done in Pittaburgh some years before. Governor Pennynacker would not approve it, and it was changed, and changed, and changed until he finally ap-proved a bill that took away from the Mover the power to appoint and dismiss di-If refusing to stand by and see the city and citizens robbed without a protest is desert-ing the cause of reform, then I have deserted it; if always, at all times and consistently. om the time I first entered public to the present time, my own aim and de-sire has been that the people shall shake if shackles of political contractors, on whatever side they happen to be, and run the government themselves, then I am still and always have been a reformer. proved a bill that took away from the Mayor the power to appoint and disniss di-rectors, but he insisted on the introduction of a provision that this should not take ef-fect to interfere with the rights of the then I have taken no interest in politics since came out of the Mayor's office on the existing officials, which saved me my opportunity.

I came out of the Mayor's office on the first Monday of April, 1907, except to reg-lister and cast my vote, and sometimes to have discussed with my fellow citizens the situation. I have seen many things done in the name of the Republican Organization and in the name of reform, and I see things going on today in both names which I should like to think was for the interest of the people of Philadelphia, but with my experience I cannot accept this. I think I see and understand the reasons for all the present political strife, and I they? ed, and then the Organizat journed, and then the Organization intro-duced the gas lease, which was the one thing above all others that I should have desired, because it put the people back of ms, when otherwise it would have been a fight between the Organization and the Mayor, with the possibility of the people applauding the winner, whiceyar that hap-poned to be. But the people will not forgat resent political strife, and I think for all the orecast the objects in view; but it is not by purpose to go into that. I only

YOUR HERO soldier boy in some strange tent. With the candle shadows creeping 'round, On a crusty cot of crumpled straw, And the dry sand dust drifting down. Where a spider pet from its lazy lair his head of golden hair ickles

Which, borne on memories' golden wings, Dreams of home and homely thingsthe soldier boy you sent away To the tune of tear drops the other day. And the prayers of your heart's yearning.

iome soldier boy on some far field, Where booming cannon blast the way, illed with pride and fired with zeal, Fights and falls for victory, packet in the gaping wound, is ashen face on the crimson ground A bit of bullet in the breast. And God alone to know the rest-To the step of sighs he kissed away : And yet you smile with new-born joy To know it was your soldier boy That served his country fighting.

ome soldier hoy in a prison cell With gangrene wounds and ghastly skin, uffering the tortures of seven hells, Wasted, wan, worn and thin, Who clasps a locket that holds your smile And eyes that show a mother's trial. A wisp of hair and tarnished ring, Whose worth is more than the wealth of

kings-Is the soldier boy you're proud to say ildered his gun and marched away To the beat of your heart's breaking.

soldier boy in a shell-hole grave With no one near but the neighboring dead.

seps the bloodstained sacrifice You made to uncrown puppet heads, Yet, though you cannot brook the loss. The years of emptiness and dross That needs must be because he gave His life that freedom's cause might li

The Gas-Lease Fight I awaited my opportunity until the sea-on of the Legislature in 1995 had ad-

snips sent by Philip II of Spain against England, wrecked by Queen Elizabeth commanders. Lord Howard and Drakt and bad weather.
Ku-Klux Klan: a Southern secret visilans society of reconstruction days, intended to keep lawiess negroes in order at a time when the governments imposed by Con-gress permitted grave injustice to the whites. whites

A number multiplied by four is quadrupled. Conestora wagoons: the large canvas-covers "prairie schooners" in which the planetry went West over the Conestora road.
 Debacle, from the French: disaster.
 The typewriter was invented about the year 1878.

7. King David was the most celebrated pash-

Ist,
 Forage: food for animals, especially these used in military operations.
 Sydney: capital of New South Wales and the oldest city in Australia.
 Shilee, or floodgate: a sliding gate or other contrivance for changing the level of a hody of water by controlling the flow into or out of it.

CANTON'S WALL TO GO

Canton, it appears, is about to exchange walls for an electric tramcar system; uite a startling announcement in connec-tion with this ancient Far Eastern city. Her wall is six miles in length and contains, it s computed, 421,000 square yards of ricks, 450,000 square yards of stone and .000,000 cubic yards of earth. What is nore, the removal of the wall means the noval also of some 5000 houses. Canton, loh is thus taking such a step toward forming to up-to-date western ideas of aforming to up-to-date western tillity and comfort, was, it will be rem red, the first Chinese port to open its ors to European trade,-Christian Science