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THE SHOOTERS' REVIVAL

THE efforts to make the New Year's parade more resplendent than over before are sympathetically in accord with a typical Philadelphia tradition.

'The annual march of the "shooters' does not always emphasize the maximum of artistry, neither is it the most gorgeous procession imaginable. But it is pregnant with local flavor. It is ingenuous, enlivening and sincere. It was out of place during the war, and the attitude of the various clubs was therefore respectful and patriotic.

In peace, however, the town will welcome the revival of the New Year's foolery. The inevitable blend of satire, nonsense and spectacle is an excellent tonic wherewith to signalize a new calendar. The light touch is fully entitled to recognition in a stressful age.

THE MEANEST MAN

TF THERE is, in this country, any man meaner than the one who interrupted Vice President Marshall's address at Atlanta with what looked like a formal announcement of the President's death, he hasn't been found.

The incident caused consternation in a great audience and an extraordinaly display of ineptitude by the Vice President. Mr. Marshall's credulity is hard to understand. Why any one should accept such a report out of the thin air and give it the force of a public declaration before making an effort to verify or disprove it passes comprehension.

SUGAR NECESSITIES

 $G_{was}^{\rm RANTING}$ that the sugar shortage was inevitable, granting that the supply is at present insufficient to go around, there is still no logical reason for discrimination against American households.

Sugar in the home, especially when children are among its occupants, is an essential. Candy and soft drinks are admittedly luxuries. If restrictions on soda and bonbons are necessary in order that homes be safeguarded against a sugar famine, it is high time to enforce

fect to stop at heavily traveled crossings. What is more, some of the trolleys move at the instant when the doors are closed and cut directly into right-angle traffic at important crossings where there are no traffic policemen. Lighter vehicles have to scurry madly for safety. Motormen often do not even take the trouble to sound a warning bell and appear to take it for granted that they have prior rights under all circumstances.

Any plan that will make easier and swifter trolley operation possible is to be encouraged. At the same time, the men who operate the cars ought to be taught that increased speed requires increased caution.

FIRST STEP TOWARD CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

Governor Sproul's Commission, Though an Instrument of Delay, Will Make Some Progress

THE Governor has named what has been described as "a goodly company of trusty and loyal Pennsylvanians" to consider the need of revising the constitution of the state and to suggest such modifications in the constitution as it decides are advisable.

It should be noted, in the first place, that the Commission on Constitutional Amendment and Revision is frankly admitted to be a device for delay. The Governor was understood to favor an early revision when he took office. It is probable that if his personal preferences had prevailed he would have had the Legislature call a constitutional convention and arrange for the election of delegates by popular vote at the earliest convenient date so that the work could be undertaken without unnecessary delay.

Every time, however, that it has been proposed that the constitution, adopted in 1873, forty-six years ago, should be modernized, it has been argued that we should wait until the "wave of radicalism" had subsided, lest provisions should be inserted in it which would be displeasing to the conservatives. The objectors were not quite so frank as to put their case so baldly as this, but it amounted to the same thing.

Governor Sproul was sought out by the "conservatives" as soon as he let it be known that he favored constitutional revision. They presented their arguments in favor of further postponement. Bolshevist theories were in the air. It was undesirable that any of them should get into "the fundamental law" of the state. Labor, reacting against the restrictions forced by the war, was anxious to secure for itself privileges hitherto denied. So let us wait a little longer, in the hope that when revision is finally made it can be directed and controlled by conservative influences. The Governor yielded, and the plan

for a commission was devised. This newspaper said at the time that it was merely a device to secure delay. This is now admitted on all sides. Indeed, the Governor delayed more than five months in naming the commission after he had secured authority from the Leg-

islature to appoint it.

will force them to go.

present generation.

Such a convention should be provided

In no other way can we get a consti-

tution which embodies the views of the

fied by the experience of the years.

A whole body of public service corpo-

ration law has grown up in the interval.

The theory of home rule for cities was

not even formulated in 1873. The city

manager had not been heard of. The

interstate commerce laws were in their

infancy, and the relation of intrastate

to interstate transportation lines had not

occupied the attention of lawyers. The

employe in 1873 assumed all the risks

of his employment. We have learned

since then that it is not good social pol-

icy to permit a man to run such risks

without provision for compensation when

he suffers the consequences of a hazard-

ous occupation. The exploitation of

children went on without let or hin-

drance, and women had no industrial pro-

tection against unscrupulous employers.

The Legislature, in its effort to pass

convention they will demand that the

If the commission which the Governor

has just named does not propose to en-

large the nowers of the Legislature to

deal with these subjects, it is likely that

the convention, when and if called, will

Many more changes might be cited.

The "goodiy company of trusty and loyal Pennsylvanians" who constitute the commission will enter upon their task with full knowledge of what they are expected to do. Radicalism will have about as much chance with them as the proverbial snowball in the nether regions. And they will doubtless represent

take up the questions from the beginning. It is likely to do that on most points anyway.

However unsatisfactory the situation may be, it does not justify pessimism. Constitutional revision is nearer than it has been for years. Its opponents in the past have succeeded in obstructing all efforts toward a change. This year they were able to do no more than to secure postponement until a more convenient season. They had to consent to the creation of a commission to study the subject. This is a long step in advance. It brings the subject up for public discussion with concrete proposals in prospect. There may be a lingering hope

> in some quarters that the commission will ask for more time from the next Legislature, but the chances are that the people of the state will object to further delay and will insist that their representatives permit them to make for themselves a modern constitution and to eliminate from the present document its medley of outgrown and archaic provi-

MEN AND RELIGION

sions.

SOME extraordinary and enlightening experiments in religious practice and religious approach to great masses of men were made possible by the war. Most of the innumerable clergymen who went abroad to do their part in their own way learned a great deal by intimate association with soldiers in times

that reduced existence to an elemental struggle with the earth, with the elements and with blind and destructive forces that left little time or desire for conventional prejudices and affectations. Something of this newer knowledge is being reduced to plain terms in reports offered at the Y. M. C. A. convention in

St. Louis. What the religious workers in France learned is that the average man may seem to be a skeptic, but that there is in him always a latent and defiant faith that will answer at once to any authentic voice addressed nobly to his spirit. Men as they were revealed to those who knew them most intimately in and about the trenches do not like their religion "mixed with vaudeville." They seem to

have resented the implied apology for religious activity made apparent in some branches of war service. There appears to be an instinctive desire among men generally to see Christian teaching kept upon a dignified and almost austere plane.

The experience of the war must have meant much to those who wonder why men do not go oftener to church. What they really want, it seems, is religious leadership that is lofty, brave and uncompromising. It is a thing that the restless and dissatisfied and searching spirit of the time will surely welcome.

The Alumni Register Rights objects to co-education the University of and Wrongs Pennsylvania. It wants a separate school for women to prevent undergraduate life from

taking on a mawkish (feminine) tone. It would appear that the men are afraid of being unpleasantly influenced by the women No fears are being expressed by the girls that co-education will give them a coarse (masculine) tone. Isn't it always the inferior who is a stickler for his rights?

> A London servant girl Skirts on the has announced her Outskirts of intention of running for Parliament. As Freedom

the has already been cook, housemaid, cook-general, lodging-house keeper, porter in a chemical warehouse and driver of a three-ton lorry, it may easily be that she will be elected. She ought to make

ORDER ITALY'S FIRST NEED

Premier Nitti Warns His Countrymen Against a Propaganda of Delusion-Praises America

Francesco Nitti, premier of Italy, recently called upon his countrymen to view sancly, patriotically and without delu-sion the crisis at home and tangled developments of the international situation. His address, published in full in the influential Italian newspaper, "Corriere della Sera" (Evening Courier), produced a profound impression. The significant excerpts from the speech given below are indicative of the course of liberal sentiment in the nation.

FOR others perhaps civil disorder is only a danger, for us it is death. Whoever in Italy raises disorder on whatever excuse, whether on the excuse of excessive nationalism, or for too lively a rejoicing, or to make a revolt; whoever raises disorder is a pois-

Italy has need of peace, if only because today internal peace is the condition of success. We cannot produce wealth if we lack internal peace; and since, in order to produce, Italy has need of raw materials, and in order to obtain raw materials she has need of credit, and in order to have

credit she has need of order, Italy must have order above everything else, and first of all

WE HAVE need-in order to live this YY year or in the immediate future-that the foreigner should accord us at least from eight to ten billions with which to purchase raw materials that are necessary to us. We can only export in comparison with our import in the ratio of one to four or one to five. Let us leave aside all academic considera

tions that are vain; the truth is that Italy finds herself in these conditions. Our allies during the war have helped us, but some of them think that their obligations are ended with the war. Today this is the situ-ation: the English are anxious to bring

their credits to an end; soon the American credits will cease. It is necessary that T should add-and it is well that the country should know it, and that the assembly should understand it, in order that any mad manifestations may be avoided-that the government of the United States considers that credits, even from private sources, cannot be accorded to Italy until the political situation is cleared up.

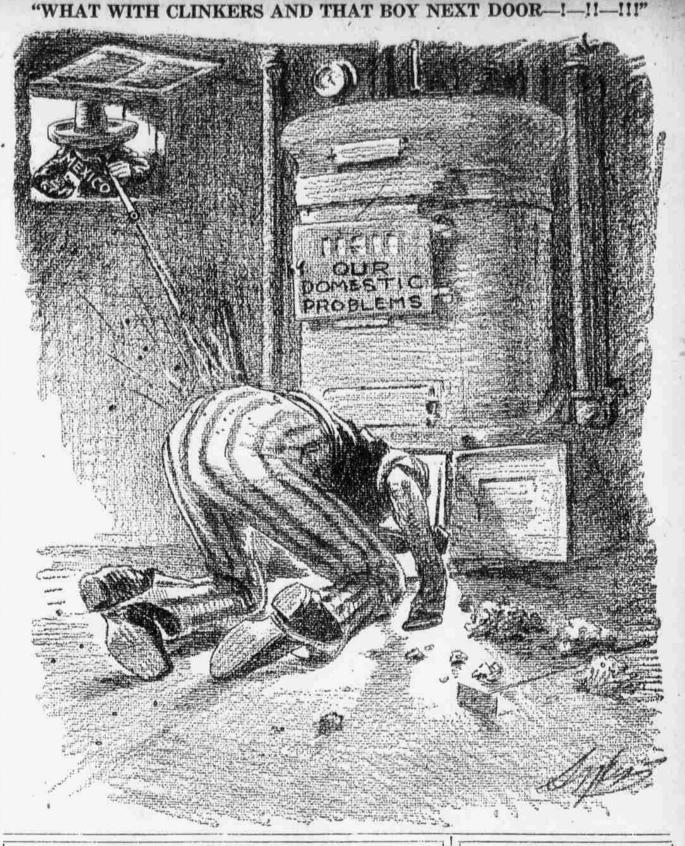
 $E^{\rm VEN}_{\rm \ hostile\ in\ it.}$ The American federation has fulfilled with a great generosity its account with us; America has lent us money at 314 per cent when we were lending it to ourselves at 514 per cent, and believed we were making a great sacrifice. America has been very generous with us. But she has

closed her account with the war, and new it is a question of friendly acts toward us, and in order to ask for these friendly acts we must bear ourselves in a friendly manner Wherefore I consider singularly harmful all those acts that disturb our relations of sentiment with the countries beside whom we have fought, with whom we have poured out our blood, and with whom we have con-

quered. I understand certain manifestations, but if any of us must sacrifice part of his sentiment the greater will b. our grandeur. The country is too set and intent on cer-tain visions. If any one of the national aspirations shall not be fulfilled, some have dared to say that we shall have lost the war. Well, can you conceive anything more revolutionary than this phrase?

THE propaganda that we must make is to A emphasize the knowledge and feeling that we have won the war. And we have won it, because Italy, by the war, has won her position in the world. Italy had never had victory; for centuries it had never smiled on us.' Now we have won it, and

it is worth more to us than any wealth Think, gentlemen, Italy has conquered that which few among the peoples who have fought have been able to conquer-security. We had need of real frontiers. No nation



THE CHAFFING DISH

WE ARE a bit corroded in our history, genial Philadelphia tailor who sews Mr. 'Tarkington's initials in all the garments' he but every time we read about Consul Jenkius and the trouble in Mexico we rememmakes. ber that England and Spain once got into a broil called he War of Jenkins's Ear, on account of a gentleman of that name. At any rate, let's wait until peace is "Do not utter a word !" said the Mayor of Zara to his citizens when D'Annunzio arrived. "Continue to weep with joy !"

signed with Germany. Pleasures TREES against an April sky, Pine trees loaded down by snow,

These are pleasures that I know. SUNSETS blue and rose and gold,

upright.

Gab D'Annunzio keeps on embracing the young women of Dalmatia, but inasmuch as the poet is no longer young, we doubt whether that will have a lasting political effect.

High Tide in the Adriatic

Also these favors lose their value by repetition. The D. B. D. (Damsels Bussed by D'Annunzio) is not nearly as exclusive an (Debutante

THE BEACHER BRIGHT and bare, like scimitars, When the sun his zenith reaches,

Dim and pale beneath the stars Lie the long and loncly beaches: Silken some, and some made sodden By tide-waters, flotsam-laden ; Trodden some, and some untrodden By the foot of man or maiden.

North and north they wend and wind, South and south the leagues they follow, West and west a man may find Mile on mile of dune and hollow; Backed by level land or highland, Still lagoon or weedy river, Fronting coral reef or island, On they glitter, on and ever.

All too vast to name and number, Round and round our littoral, Noon and night, they wake and slumber; Unto them the Past is Present-

Where the surges rise and fall,

Thus defily putting one over on any Serbs in the crowd who may have been chuckling with indignation. Smell of flowers fresh and good-First faint flush of early spring,

Water running green and cold-These are pleasures that I sing.

sensible regulations. Sundae-s matinee girls and sweetmeat nibblers should not be considered before babies.

There is every disposition in the country to be patient during the sugar scarcity. If there is inequality of distribution, however, it is indefensible.

ARMY AMBIGUITIES

GENERAL MARCH'S elaborate plans for army reorganization lack pertinence while the international role of this nation is still in doubt.

The collapse of the league of nations would compel a view of our military resources wholly different from that which would be logical should the peace by the people. compact be sanctioned. An isolated for by the Legislature to be elected next America would have the most important November. All shades of opinion should bearing on the whole question of compulsory military training. Until our be represented in the convention in nosition is defined it is not easy to deorder that the issues may be threshed termine what sort of military preparaout in debate and settled by a vote of tion is best for the country. the majority.

The issue is one of many, judgment upon which must wait until we have decided whether to favor co-operation or exclusively independent national initiative.

MAKING WAY FOR TROLLEYS

IN ITS general provisions the traffic regulation ordinance reported to Councils and recommitted because the builders found some objection to it is logical and commendable. Two sources of trouble are aimed at in the effort to eliminate unnecessary delays and blockades of street-car traffic. One is the huddle of taxicabs and other motors that drowse at the curbs on the wrong side of one-way streets, leaving only a narrow lane through which all vehicles crowd slowly and with infinite difficulty.

The other is the drayman, who behaves as if he believed that a load of coal and its guardian have rights superior to those of the common run of mankind, There is one paragraph at the end of the ordinance, however, that may result in a good 'deal of trouble unless motor drivers and trolleymen alike are made aware of its meaning, and the real danger of the rule that it would estab-

modern laws, has been hampered by the This chause provides that trolley cars limitations of an outgrown constitution. shall have the right of way over all The people of the state know this. If other vehicles at intersecting streets and they are represented in a constitutional that motor drivers especially must be prepared to recognize this right. In hands of the Legislature be untied so ther words, the automobile traffic must that it may pass those laws which an stop at all times to make way for a awakened social conscience insists upon. trolley car moving or about to move on a cross street.

Now, it is already apparent that the speeding up of trolley schedules involves ome danger. The motormen, under the as unaline time " often non

the majority sentiment of the state; for Pennsylvania is known for its conserva valuable member of the ways and means atism, even though Roosevelt carried its committee.

in 1912 against both Taft and Wilson. An official of the There is no widespread demand for a Tarred With radical constitution. The men and United States Grain Corporation blames the Same Stick women chosen to make the preliminary overzealous salesmen revision are the representatives of those for the ramors that there is a shortage of influences which have hitherto prevented four. It may be that tales of the shortage any kind of a revision. They will go no of shoe leather and other commodities arise further than undoubted public sentiment in the same way.

We shall not know, however, whether Professors in Carnegie A Giddy Height Tech, Pittsburgh, have they will go as far as the state as a whole desires until the result of their delibthreatened to strike if their salaries are not increased. Brain is erations is submitted to a constitutional evidently aspiring to the financial heights of convention made up of delegates elected

brawn. The statement that Fuel Administrator Garfield is expected to settle the controversy between operators and coal miners interesting only as showing a disposition to

it may not belong. A United States Supreme Court deciion will shortly apprise federal judges who have rendered decisions for and against war-time prohibition where they stand in or get off.

We have lived for forty-six years under a body of laws framed by men of How beautifully life adjusts itself to two generations ago. Much has hapcircumstances! By the time we have no coal to cook our food we may have no food pened in the nearly half century which has passed. Theories which were accepted as sound then have been modi-

The declaration of leaders of miners that they are Americans and will not fight the United States has not as yet been echoed in a sufficient number of underground corridors ----

A whisky still was found Sunday night in a "dyeing establishment" on Ritner street. All arrangements made, we presume, to dye the town red.

Avoid a tired and bored air, warns Director Krusen, as you would a pneumonia pestilence.

Though the cry of "Wolf !" be falsely made in many lines, there is evident wisdom in the advice to all to save coal,

The 20 per cent increase offered by the coal operators to the miners is 191/2 per cent more than near-beer is getting.

Promoters of "La Nave" are hoping that it will have smoother sailing than the author of its blank verse.

Not much chance for a Thanksgiving toddy with the stick banned and the sweetener in hiding.

Victor Berger has not yet been deported. but public opinion still approves the sug-gestion of the American Legion.

When a blunt answer is given to sharp demaud cutting words lose their edge. the second secon Bome of us work con amore and so

of Europe, not even France, has today the security of frontier that Italy has. Do not let us forget that Italy has reached the confines of the Vetta d'Italia that secures her, after so many centuries, from the inva-

sions of the German tribes. And let no one say that we have not won our war because of some episode, of our foreign policy. It is necessary to tell the people these things; it is necessary to make them understand that Italy was under the continuous pressure of an ancient empire. and that this empire might at any time have been the death of us. That empire

is fallen ; we have overthrown it. All th world must know that after the ruin of Caporetto we were alone, that it was our sons of the '09 class that saved the country, and that the aid of the Allies, cordial and friendly though it was, arrived when the breasts of our children had already stopped the enemy invasion.

Let no one say, then, that we have not won our victory; let no one diffuse that poison among the people, and above all la hose that willed war, that most exalted temporarily switch responsibility from the our intervention, stop making a propaganda shoulders of the President, where, of course, that is destined to poison the spirit of the populace.

> GENTLEMEN, nothing has so much sad-dened me as to see in certain parts of the governing classes after the war an enormous irresponsibility.

We have need to give proof of austerity of life, and nothing is more mournful than to see the cultivated classes who have patriotic ideas waste their money. The United States of America, though it is the creditor of all Europe for hundreds of billions, has given proof of a great discipline. The President has forbidden the issuing of passports to every one except those traveling on business, since he considers every expenditure at this time to be harmful; and I, too, think nothing so blameworthy as the crowd of Italiars who ask for passports for journeys of pleasure. Well, I will not issue a single one of these passports. When I think that in the new provinces that we possess, when I think that on the upper Adige there are the most glorious beauties of nature, I find it reprehensible that any one should think of traveling abroad for pleasure.

Again, we must give to the people an example of calm; we must not incite them with promises, we must not give them a bad example, but we must give them the feeling of force. We must tell them the We have not told the people the truth whole truth ; we have not told them that Italy is in danger of dying of hunger.

WE MUST, then, reconstitute finance, we must re-establish our credit. But I feel sure that if Italy will but follow a rigid program, before long, in three or four mouths, perhaps, she will be among the first countries of Europe to have a complete financial asset. But it is necessary to reduce expenses as much as possible; i is necessary to give the country faith and assurance that credit is secure; it is necessary to assure stability of administration Therefore, I have said, I place above everything else public order. All our plans, ecothing class public order. All our plans, eco-nomic and financial, will fail if public order is not maintained. We must make also a great effort to foster production, but if this effort is to be made it is necessary, first of all, that autilia and the necessary first of

LAZY hum of drowsy bees. Hot, still calm of a summer day, Shadows lengthening, growing tall-These my pleasures, last, I pray. --PHOEBE FOSTER.

Two and Two Make Four

The latest sufferer from sleeping sickness carried, when found, a timetable of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Rail-We have often felt that way ourself road. when traveling on the New Haven. Except, of course, when we happened to

be in a sleeping car. Every time we see one of those pictures of

a razor blade as it looks under a microscope we thank our stars we aren't one of those fellows with a blue-black beard.

We see that the New York production of "Aphrodite" has been postponed a week "on account of the necessity of scenic preparation."

Our private guess is that the delay is due to the necessity of putting some more steam pipes round the stage so that the ladies won't perish of exposure.

New York theatrical managers are strong for President Wilson ever since he deprecated "soft concealments."

Does Any One Know It? Dear Socrates-Some years ago the late Hon. E. J. Phelps, of Vermont, one-time

ambassador to Great Britain, Wrote, while waiting there, some lines on "Essex June-Could you reprint them? tion." W. F. MEAD, Allentown, Pa.

The problems of all human beings are so similar that we sometimes think there must be some collusion going on among the trustees of the show. .

"The secret of being a good secretary," says Durell Shuster, "is to know how to the goat."

And all the confidentials of great men, from Joe Tumulty even down to Joe Smith. untarnished. rise up and call him blessed for this agreeable candor.

Lives of secretaries remind us. Why should we the burdens tote? No! Depart, and leave behind us Some one else to be the goat.

What is politics coming to, anyway? Not and when he is no longer busy in "Holy for a long time have we heard any one, even Leonard Wood, say, "The hands are the Zara" perhaps he will make his way hither. It looks to us as though he ought to be hands of Esau." able to write something that has not been written hereabouts for some time, viz: a

There is a section of Chestnut street, near Ninth, where we cannot smell, see or think of anything but doughnuts. And the thought always comes to us, how is it that a writer with a name like Ring Lardner has never written a poem about a doughnut?

Acid Ejaculation

One of the pleasant pipe dreams of the headline writers seems to be that all knees are dimpled. MELANCHOLY JAKE. are dimpled.

On a recent visit to New York we were accused of having made off with Newton Hooth Tarkington's overcoat. This, how-

Who Dauced with the Prince.)

in front of the window of a fish, poultry

and fruit store where a large turkey wa

displayed, cooped up in a very small crate

That evening we passed the window again,

and saw a delighted group watching. The

turkey had managed to push up the boards

in the roof of its prison, and was standing

its wings and preparing for gavety of some

say, "Oh, the wicked and malicious turkey!

What an evil-minded bird to break loose

from the nice little crate the kind store

keeper made for it !" No one did. On the

contrary, the pleased spectators were waiting

to see how soon the much-tormented fow

would discover a large pile of apples, bananas

and grapes nearby, and enjoy a merry feast.

"It's his last chance," said one damsel; "I hope he'll make the most of it."

The cruellest thing that can be done to a

man is to put him wise to himself. Leave

him to his illusions, and he may stagger

along and even be of some use in the world.

Sartor Resartus

Quizeditor, we endeavored to drive home

these two points :

Discussing our theory of clothes with the

The wise man will choose a suit the color

of tobacco ashes, on which pipe droppings are indistinguishable. He will also have

the breeks made without cuffs, as these are

only nestling places for burned matches.

small change, stude, and that curious gray

fluff that gets up from under the parlor

sofa and finds its way into your trousers,

in the papers some time before they happen.

D'Annunzio is badly needed over here.

If We Might Only Write

Like M. Djer-Chaff

I have blended for you, mesdames, at my rolltop atelier in Philadelphia, the lovely,

this exquisitely conceived Dish of Chaff, so

full of joie de vivre and les estases de

beaute. I have instructed my importateurs, messicurs les newsboys, to deliver it into

This has a robust moral effect.

really humorous musical comedy.

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where it did not even have room to stand

Time turns o'er his storied pages; Known to every shining crescent The public has a keen sense of fair play. Is the Epic of the Ages. All last Sunday we noticed people standing

Ere Man learnt to love and sigh, Ere his first thought had existence, Here they lay, as now they lie, Lapped in light and lost in distance; When the works of Man are riven And his sun has had its setting, They shall front the stars of Heaven, Him and his alike forgetting.

triumphantly on top of the crate, stretching Thus they wait, screne, sublime, Nothing caring and nought dreeing. kind. Two small cats, pets of the store, gazed at it apprehensively. And did any one Ever young, though old as Time,

While Man's Moment has its being ; When that moment, ceasing, merges In the Past, and leaves no token, They shall know beside their surges Silence solemn and unbroken.

-Roderic Quinn in Sydney Bulletin.

What Do You Know?

QUIZ

- 1. Who represent New York in the Senate?
- 2. Who wrote "The History of Joseph Andrews"?
- 3. What two great federal victories of the Civil War occurred within a day of each other?
- 4. Who was Zenobla and when did she live? 5. How many books are in the Old Testa-
- ment? 6. What is pushball?
- 7. When is a planet in apogee?
- 8! What is a heresiarch?
- 9. What member of the Italian cabinet has just resigned?
- 10. What kind of a beard is an imperial, and why was it so called?

Answers to Yesterday's Quiz

- 1. Henry Cabot Lodge represents Massa-
- 2. There were three partitions of the old kingdom of Poland in 1773, 1793 and 1795. The spoils were divided by Austria, Russia and Prussia.
- sion by Mexico of 45,000 square miles of territory, now incorporated in Arizona and New Mexico. The price paid was \$10,000,000.
- named after James Gadsden, United States minister to Mexico at the time.
- 5. The treaty of peace goes into force for Germany on Monday, December 1.
- 6. The brothers, Hubert and Jan van Eyck. teenth century.
- 7. New Zealand is entirely in the south temperate zone.
- solar system.
- 9. Sir Arthur Sullivan wrote the music of "The Lost Chord."
- 10. The term of a representative in Congress Is two years. Star 14

heavens knows how. This is the kind of suit that we call a suit for damages, and will emerge even from a night in a sleeper comparatively chusetts in the Senate. The beauty about political executions in Mexico is that the statesman who is going to be executed can always read about them

3. The Gadsden purchase involved the ces-

- 4. The purchase was made in 1853 and

were two noted Flemish painters who lived in the latter part of the four-teenth and the first part of the fif-

S. Mercury is the smallest planet of the

your hands wih all the bloom and bouquet so fragile, inblemished. Beauty, meadames, is its own reward. That is the motto of the one who labors for you unceasing.