# THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH.

Clashes of the Masses and Classes Becoming Much Too Frequent.

SOCIALISM AT ITS HEIGHT.

And in France a Time-Serving Ministry Is Tottering.

A SCENE OF DRAMATIC INTEREST.

Most Exciting Daily Sessions of the Chamber of Deputies.

A MASTERLY PLEA FOR CHRISTIANITY

IBT CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.1 PARTS, Nov. 19.-[Copyright.]-The masses, and not the classes, have been the actors upon the European stage of events the past week. An alarmist would find something portentous in all the scenes of the play in England. The greatest national industry is crippled by the spread of the cotton strike, and the augmented array of the unemployed in London is more than ever threatening in its demands.

In Ireland, always hungry, the cry for bread is rising to a higher and shriller note. In Germany, the social democracy in na-tional convention is framing its creed in the peremptory language of conscious power. In Spain rise continued murmurings of popular discontent, which found more violent expressions a few days ago. In France, a time-serving Ministry, totterine under the attacks of a many-sided opposition, is offering to sacrifice the country's most illustrious citizen, now bowed down with years, as the price of its own official salvation.

A Scene of Great Dramatic Interest. It is the last scene which possesses the greatest dramatic interest, and France again commands attention as the unique and most fascinating figure among the world's actors. A week ago few among French politicians believed that the present Ministry would survive another seven days. Three great dangers threatened its immediate destruction, and it seemed more a question whence would come the coup de grace than of a possible escape from all.

One peril has yet not been met, though a second has been provided for. The sessions of the Chamber of Deputies, where the battle has been waging for the past four days, have been among the most exciting in the history of the republic. The press laws, which have been the nominal subject of contention, were scarcely mentioned during the first two days. Instead, the tribune of the Chamber became the forum of the new socialistic faith which has swept over the

The orators of the new religion-for such it is to them-must be given the credit of most persuasive eloquence. But they are not united; they are divided into at least four sections, varying in their ideas from the milder theories of the Christian socialists to the revolutionists of the Baudin

Loubet and De Mun the Orators.

The two great speeches of the debate were Count De Mun's plea against the banishment of Christianity from the nation, and Prime Minister Loubet's masterly defense of the Government. De Mun is a Christian Socialist. Most eloquently did he offer the Cabinet the support of his followers if it would abandon its policy of crushing out all religion in France. The danger of the nation, he affirmed, was the spread of atheism, fostered by the Government among the masses. M. Loubet distinctly rejected De Mun's offer, declaring that the latter mistook religious neutrality

for religious oppression.

Utmost disorder and excitement prevalled at brief intervals throughout the four sessions. The fate of the Cabinet pininly wavered from hour to hour. It be-came apparent, finally, that Loubet's success would depend upon seizing a favorable moment for putting his fate to the test. He dared not, however, bring the press bill to vote in the form in which it was offered by the Government. Had he done so he would assuredly have been defeated. He made up his mind yesterday to submit to such modifications of its provisions as the majority of the Chamber demanded. Then, reizing a moment when the sympathies of the deputies were with him, he moved last evening to consider the bill by sections, and in making the motion gave notice that the result t would be accepted as a vote of confi-

One Victory, but Not a | Clincher.

His majority of 100 exceeded his most sanguine expectations, but he is by no means safe yet. By accepting modifications which he made he abandons the determination to stand or fall by the bill as presented. Furthermore, everybody now recognizes the fact that in these exciting times in France a vote of confidence is good for the day only. There remain the Pansma affair—which is

scarcely a Cabinet danger-and the Swiss commercial treaty to put before the mercurial chamber. The prosecution of M. De Lesseps and his associates is a matter of even greater interest than the fate of Lou-bet's Cabinet. It is going to result in the greatest financial scandal the world has greatest mancial scandal the world has ever seen. The vague rumors of gigantic corruption with which the air has been filled since the grand collapse, four years ago, will now be exploited on the witness stand and in parliamentary debate.

Some astounding revelations will proba-bly be made on the floor of the Chamber next week. It is currently reported and believed that no less than 200 members of the National Legislature have been benefi-ciaries, under various pretexts, of the Panama Company. The sum spent in actual bribing of legislators is said to have been enormous. It is stated that two more con tractors are to be included in the list of those to be prosecuted.

How the Panama Swindle Was Worked. One of the most authentic reports of the class of affairs to be judicially investigated is the tollowing. A young man just graduated from the Paris polytechnic school went to Panama with a capital of only 500 francs. He obtained a contract for excavating a portion of the canal at 30 france per cubic metre, the total proceeds being 16,000,000 franca. He sublet the contract at the rate of 7 france per metre. The sub-contractor, in turn, got a third to take the job at 5 france per metre, and he finally hired a master of Chinese laborers to

do the work at 214 france.

It is such reports of extravagance and waste—to use mild terms—which have kept alive the bitterness of many thousand small investors whose savings were swept away and who still demand legal revenge. It would be difficult, however, to find

It would be difficult, however, to find many who believe that the venerable old man, De Lesseps, was guilty of personal fraud. That he was most culpable goes without saying. Success was the only thing that would have justified his methods, which were the same as those he used in the construction of the Sucr canal. That he will have the sympathy even of his victims in his approaching disgrace is certain.

The revulsion of public sentiment is more than likely to react on his prosecutors. Ricast a Bit Too Ambitious.

Ricard, the Minister of Justice, was continually insulted and reviled by a large portion of the Chamber when he occupied the tribune yesterday. The reason for this treatment is that he is auspected of ambition and lack of sincerity in his course against the Panama directors. Some think that his Cabinet seat is in greater danger than Loubet's. At all events, if the tide of public opinion should turn the Prime Minister would hardly suffer in this instance, for it is well known that he is perstance, for it is well known that he is personally opposed to the prosecution of the Panama managers at this late day, so the cry "cui bono," is already raised, and the outcome of the matter is still uncertain.

#### 40,000 CHILDREN STARVING.

In Spite of Their Breakfastless Conditio They Are Forced to Go to School-How the Demagogue Works the Unemployed Problem to Suit His Own Purposes and

[BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.] LONDON, Nov. 19 .- There are 40,000 little children in Londos who go breakfastless to school every morning. This is the saddest feature of the great unemployed problem which agitates the metropolis. The matter has been urgently brought before the school board this week by delegates from the idle workingmen, with the request that the city should fill the stomachs as well as the brains of the little ones whose attend-

ance it compels.

The subject had already been semi-officially investigated, and the appalling figures which are daily growing were found to be substantially correct. It is also stated that a wholesome porridge can be provided at a cost of only one fialfpenny per child. It is argued that unless such an arredicate is adverted that convenience durant days of the compulsory adversed that the compulsory adversed expedient is adopted the compulsory edu-cation law might as well be repealed, for the hunger for knowledge and hunger for food can never exist in the same body, least

ot all in a child's.

There has been occasional violence at the meetings of London's idle workingmen on Tower Hill this week. The demagogues who are trying to profit by the general distress, and who are the enemies of the really de-serving, have come in contact with rivals and with the police, and some broken heads

have resulted.

A tiny mite of humanity, thin and wan and half clad in rags, had appeared for several days on the stone parapet used as a forum and was pointed out by the speakers as an example of starving humanity in London. The police finally took the little chap to court, where he disclosed that he received a salary of threepence per day for playing the role-which, moreover, was hardly a false one.

### A FOMB IN A MONARCHIST'S HOUSE.

Another Symptom of the Ill Feeling No. Existing in Portugal. LISBON, Nov. 19 .- A dynamite bomb exploded to-day outside the residence of

Count Folgosa, President of a committee organized to give a brilliant reception to the King and Queen upon their return from Madrid. The house was damaged and all the windows were shattered. Nobody The outrage has caused considerable ex-

citement, and it is thought to be due to the friends of some of the men who were ar-rested for rioting when the King and Queen took their departure for Madrid a few days ago. There is no clue to the perpetrators. nother Black Eye for Universal Suffrage BRUSSELS, Nov. 19 .- The Belgian Cham

ber has rejected, by a vote of 89 to 21, M.

Janson's motion to insert in the reply to the royal speech a declaration favoring uni-

#### versal suffrage. STABBED BY A FRIEND.

dale Barber's Razor-W. H. Wilson, the Slaver, in Jail-The Injured Man Now Counting the Minutes He Has to Live-A Sunday Dinner Caused the Fight.

William H. Wilson is in jail, while his victim, Joseph Smith, in an ugly cutting affair, is lying at the West Penn Hospital counting the moments he has to live. This case, which will in all probability

end in adding another murder to last week's long list, is a peculiar one. Joseph Smith is a quiet, industrious farmer of Noblestown, while William H. Wilson has been following the life of a tonsorial artist at Oakdale. The latter is a colored man, and was always thought to be honest. Mr. Smith had been one of his customers, and had that natural liking for him which a man forms for his barber. Friday Farmer Smith drove to Oakdale to get his provisions for Sunday and to attend to some other business. When all his duties had been seen to he drove up to Wil son's barber shop. The proprietor was not busy, so Mr. Smith got him to hold the horse, while, it is said, he went into a house nearby to lay the beer dust in his

Wilson stood at the horses' heads for quite a while and finally the farmer appeared. Mr. Smith tossed the attendant a dollar for his work. A few friendly words passed between the men and the gentleman jumped into his buggy. As he did so he noticed that his Sunday meat was missing. Then the trouble commenced. Farmer Smith charged his tonsorial friend with theft and jumped out of his vehicle. A war of words followed, which collected a war of words followed, which collected a large crowd. Finally there were blows struck, and in the midst of it Wilson drew his razor. He did quick work, and in as many seconds Smith had been cut in a half dozen places. The farmer sank exhausted to the pavement, and the barber was detained by the crowd.

Yesterday morning Mr. Smith was brought to the West Penn Hospital and Wilson to jail. The former is so badly cut and has lost so much blood that it is thought he cannot live. Wilson refused to say anything about the affair. Both parties are said to have been perfectly sober.

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Ruben's. We have just received and placed on sale a fresh invoice of horse blankets and lap robes, which we are selling at extraordinar-ily low prices. Don't full to see our squar-woel horse blanket, which we sell for \$1. It's

## PITTSBURG

T. M. Porter Discourses on Coaching as One of the Fine Arts.

THE BEST WHIP IN THE CITY.

Mistakes That Are Made by Fome of Those Who Handle the Reins.

SKETCHES OF THE PROPER METHODS

T. M. Porter made a hasty sketch for THE DISPATCH, showing three styles of handling the ribbons, and then discoursed on the subject thus: "Look at the drivers: inteligent stock owners who take pride in their orses; young men who drive furiously for the fun of it, and vicious coachmen who inflict pain from pure wantouness. The cruel over-check and side-reins have long since disappeared from the stable of the intelligent horse owner. Many men who know nothing about horses have an idea that an animal whose head is held high by the cruel over-check looks better than if held in the natural position. Standing on Penn avenue, many horses may be seen enduring the tortures of the lost. They frequently throw their heads up, trying to obtain a moment's relief; they twist and turn and foam at the mouth, but there is no es-

"With stable knowledge becoming more diffused among society people, tandem driving and four-in-hand is an accomplishment which few young society men care to confess an ignorance. With our improved park and roads, the coaching craze will surely catch us.

Modeled After London Rules. "The rules of all our coaching clubs are modeled after those of London, and in New York City-no one shall be eligible for mempership in any of the coaching clubs until

portation of coach horses from Canada, is one of the signs of the times that points to a great future in coaching. The prices recently realized by this type of horse show that he is in great and increasing demand. The more horse shows we have, and the more teams that are brought into competition for style, bone and substance, the more clear we can make it to the public, that coaching is not a fashionable fad, but a most manly and agreeable sport. DRIVERS. agreeable sport.

PITTSBURG DISPATCH,

agreeable sport.

"Standing over there is George Hancock, and that team that he gracefully waves the whip over, is the property of Mr. Charles Donelly. Hancock has a most graceful pair of hands, and a thorough knowledge of the

#### MAKING MONEY FOR THE CITY.

Controller Morrow's Sinking Fund Invest-

ments Yielding Good Returns. Controller Morrow's scheme of investing the sinking fund moneys which, until two years ago, lay in the various city depositories drawing no interest, is yielding good returns. Yesterday he receipted for \$92,000 derived from such investments making a to-

derived from such investments making a total of \$125,000 from that source this year, and more to come. Last year the income amounted to \$105,500.

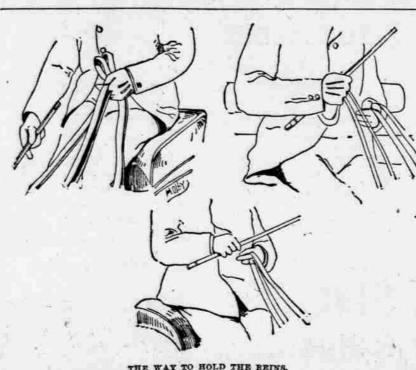
The Controller is now shaping his plans for the payment of the first series of the water extension loans and the fire department loans. It will be his last official act during his present term of office, the bonds mattring on the last day of his term. The fire department bonds were issued to improve the fire service when the department was reorganized into a paid service in 1873, \$200,000 being borrowed for that purpose.

The water extension loan bonds were issued The water extension loan bonds were issued from time to time between 1868 and 1873. The water loan bonds maturing on April 1 mount to \$225,800.

#### BECAUSE SHE CHIDED HIM.

Henry Schmeider Wanted to Throw an Old Woman Down Stairs.

Because Henry Schmeider, the proprietor of a lunch room, at No. 115 Lacock street, Allegheny, assaulted a woman aged 75 years, Magistrate Brinker yesterday fined



he can satisfactorily demonstrate his ability to handle a tandem or a four-in-hand. This means hours of hard practice, a wrenched means hours of hard practice, a wrenched turned into a not overly clean kitchen and system. It means all sorts of discouragement, and when an ambitious tandem driver is seen endeavoring to straighten out his tangled reins, he is deserving of the deepest sympathy. Any morning in the park you may see a number of young gentlemen being taught to drive four by that naster whip, Herbert W. Smith." "How did you learn to drive?" was the

question put to Mr. Porter. "I learned to drive from George Ashen den, whom I believe to be the greatest whip in New York City, and the father of four-in-

hand driving in America." "Whom do you consider the best whip in

Pittsburg, Mr. Porter?,' "I believe Herbert W. Smith to be the best four-in-hand driver in the city. He has perfect hands and a thorough use of the whip, and a most dashful and graceful style of driving. You could not obtain a better ides of the correct position and use of the hands in driving than from this sketch. When you pick up your reins do so just to feel each horse's mouth. Your hands should be just about midway between your left knee and waist, your left elbow crooked at a right angle, the grip once taken on the reins, never should be shortened or lengthened—the whip hand to be held exactly parallel with the rein hand, but, of course, free from it, and both elbows should be close to the sides without pressshould be close to the sides without press

Features of the Proper Position "In turning corners the hands should never be crossed, that is, you should not reach over with the right hand to grasp the reach over with the right hand to grasp the near side rein. Nothing is in worse form and so completely indicates the greenhorn as to see a conchman rounding a corner sawing with both hands and it is still worse to see him pulling up his team with both hands. Of course, the moment the turn is made the points are let go, and then the hand holds the reins as in the manner when first picked up."

first picked up."
"How about the use of the whip, Mr. Porter?"
"The handling of the whip is the most difficult and important branch in all the studies of driving. How many of our Pittsburg coach teams are ruined because the coachman does not understand how to use his whip. There are no rules to lay down for the handling of this useful ad-junct to driving. It is an art given to some coachmen and withheld to others. Simon Williamson, Mr. M. K. Moorehead's coach-

man, possesses this accomplishment to a high degree,"
"Does it require strength to drive fourin-hand?"
"Not necessarily, but with a baulky horse in the wheel and a puller on the off side, strength is a very good thing to have. Of course, no good coachman will ever drive a puller it he can help it.

A Very Important Item.

"Another very important in a coachman's education," continued Mr. Porter, "is to be a judge of pace. Horses are being constantly ruined by being driven too hard over our hard rough streets. A coach should move at a steady even gatt. The coach horse is expected to go at a speed at which he travels with the greatest comfort, and the least exertion to himself. Knowledge of coupling and biting is another requirement, which seems to be among the lost arts to our Pittsburg coachmen, and no coachman ever should think of getting onto his box without first taking a keen glance over the team and horses. Michael Divine, Mr. H. J. Porter's coachman, has a most graceful position on the box, and with his clean cut and smoothly shaven features, his appearance is indeed regulation."

"What is the future of coaching in Pittsburg?"

obes, which we are selling at extraordinarily low prices. Don't fail to see our square wool horse blanket, which we sell for \$1. It's a cocker.

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by our society people are not satisfied with a coachman they formerly employed, and a see-sawing, two-handed driver will soon be a thing of the past. The interest now taken by our society people in the im-

dining room. On Friday the aged mother of Mrs. Dunkle chided him for his untidiness, and he tried to throw her down

New Rumor of an Elevated Rallroad. A report was circulated yesterday that Eastern capitalists are scheming to get a right of way for an elevated railway from the lower part of the city to the East End. Business men take little stock in the story. It is estimated it would cost \$6,000,000 to build such a road and that it would be ten years before it would begin to pay interest on the investment. n the investment.

Central Directors to Meet Next Week. The Central Traction Company directors are to meet next week some day, President Whitney says, to confer with the attorneys and arrange for going into court and secur-ing the annulment of the contract with the Duquesne which gives the latter the use of the Central's downtown loop. The meeting scheduled for yesterday did not take

Coroner's Jury Said It Was Murder. West Harrington was yesterday charged with the murder of Oliver M. Kelly at Oakdale on November 6. The testimony brought out nothing more than has been published. Both men were drunk and an argument brought about a fight.

Monday Snaps in Hat Department. Economical mothers, read this:
Boys' warm, well-made cloth telescope
cans, worth 50c, for 19c.
Boys' handsome jockey caps in all shades,
worth 50c, for 25c.
Boys' real fur crush hats, all sizes, worth
75c, for 39c.
Boys' fine silk plush telescopes, worth \$1,
for 19c.

Boys' real fur derbys, worth \$1 50, for 98c. Mellor & Hoene Have Sold Pianes

Since 1831. Their prestige in the trade gained by experience and ripe judgment, and the superb planes and organs sold by them. Durable, reliable instruments only. Cash or installments. Send for catalogues, etc., to 77 Fifth

WE have left on hand 47 custom made coats and vests. The suits were made for \$25 to \$35. The pants were placed in our regular stock. They represent the accumulation of the season. The coats and vests ge for \$15, if we can fit you. Early comers will secure the best selection. Saller, Corner Smithfield and Diamond streets.

After Thanksgiving, Christmas. Prepare your homes for both occasions ur "forced" and "true bargain" sale a musual helper. P. C. Schonneck & Sox, 711 Liberty street, Opposite Wood.

An Oversight and Correct An Oversight and Correction.

In mentioning the different firms who were instrumental in erecting our building we inadvertently omitted to give credit to the East End Cornice Company for cornice and steel paneled ceiling, as also to Messrs. Podani & Marshall, plasterers. Both of these firms gave us very good, satisfactory work, and we recommend them to the public as honorable and efficient contractors.

Solomon & Ruben.

You can buy glasses from whom you may, but those who have Prof. Little examine their eyes and furnish the glasses use no other. Outlist's examination and glasses one price. Office 600 Liberty street, over Espy's drug store. Wednesday and Saturday evenings till 7:30.

### A LONELY PRESIDENT.

Mr. Harrison's Reserve Prevents Many Personal Friendships.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20,

HIS FORCEFUL MENTAL POWERS

Will Keep Him From Entirely Dropping

Out of Public Life. HIS ASSOCIATES AT INDIANAPOLIS

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH. WASHINGTON, Nov. 19 .- President Harrison will be a very lonely man after March 4. No man who ever held high position has fewer friends. Few men, perhaps, have more admirers in the circle of their personal acquaintance, but while they have a strong respect for his ability and a great admiration for his integrity, few of the men who know President Harrison have a feeling of personal attachment to him. Even the members of his Cabinet are not attached to him personally. One of the most genial of them told me not long ago of some evenings spent with the President and Mrs. Hrarison in their cottage at Cape May. I asked him if he found the President companionable. He hesitated and then said: "Well, if I had nothing to do this evening and was passing the White House, I would never think of dropping in to smoke a cigar with him."

That is the feeling that all of the member of his Cabinet have about the President. He keeps them at such a distance from him that they never know whether he is satisfied or displeased with their work. Two members of the Cabinet have said more than once to a well-known Indianian here: "I wish you would find out if you can whether the President is pleased with my administration of the department. I cannot tell from his manner to me." One of these Cabinet office s was supposed to have been a personal selection of the President, chosen because of the President's friendship for him as much as for his integrity. Other members of the Cabinet have asked Senators to learn what the President thought of them and to let them know. Perhaps some of this dis tance between the President and his repre sentatives in the departments is due to his disposition to take the active direction of all department affairs into his own hands.

No Doubt About the One in Command. There is a gentleman in Ohio who has for many years been a trustee of the Miami University there—Thomas McCullogh—who foresaw this disposition of President Harri-son to run the entire Government on his own plan, and who predicted the result of that policy four years ago. He had known General Harrison for many years, and he was one of the first to call on him at his was one of the first to call on him at his home in Indiana to tender congratulations on his election. General Harrison received him warmly and held a long and pleasant conversation with him. At the end of it, when he was leaving, General Harrison said to him impressively: "Uncle Tom, remember that I am going to be President of the United States."

The old gentleman met that evening an The old gentleman met that evening an

the old gentleman has always said, with a | he was going. He urged him to change his | no pain, no nausea: easy pill to take



shake of his head: "Well, he's President, And he certainly is.

Calls Only by Appointment It is a curious fact that the President bas Senators who have spent the evening with him or who have gone out driving with him. They have come invariably by appointment—never of their own motion. Senator Hiscock has probably been at the White House within the last year more than any other of the President's friends in public life. When the President was alone during the past the President was alone during the past summer Senator Hiscock frequently came in and spent the evenings with him on the broad portice on the south front of the Executive Mansion. But the most frequent companion of the President in his walks about Washington has been his private Secretary, Mr. Halford, and when Mr. Halford has not been available his stenographer, Mr. Tibbott, has frequently gone with him for a brisk constitutional.

One of his closest friends in Indianapolis

One of his closest friends in Indianapolis was John C. New, the proprietor of the Indianapolis Journal, now Consul General at London. Mr. New found a quality skin to The old gentleman met that evening an intimate friend, now living in Washington, one who knew General Harrison very well.

"I am afraid Harrison is going to be a great disappointment to the people of the United States," he said, repeating the conversation and laying some stress on the parting phrase. "When he said that," continued Mr. McCullogh, "he looked into my eye in a way that said: "There isn't going to be anybody in it but me."

Every time these two friends of General Harrison have met in the last three years, the old gentleman has always said, with a

plans and join the fishing party which was going off for a week's camping at a place on the Kankakee river which was fre-quented by a little band of congenial spirits of which Mr. New was the leading member. "Who's going with you?" said the prospective guest.
"Oh, George Steele, and George Williams, and Tom Nelson and Ben Harrison," said

He Could Not Understand It. The gentleman to whom he was speaking

knew General Harrison very well, and he said, in some surprise: "I don't see how you rough and ready fellows get along with Ben Harrison. I don't see how you mix." "That is one reason why I want you to come along," said Mr. New. "You don't know Ben Harrison. He's a mighty good fellow when you know him. When he gets into camp he takes his drink of whisky in

into camp he takes his drink of whisky in the morning, and chews tobacco out of his hip pocket, and spits on his worm and cusses just like the rest of us."

Those who have known General Harrison in the Presidental office, however intimately, will not recognize the appropriateness of this description. But then, if anybody does know the true inwardness of the President's character it is Mr. New. The one thing which will keep Benjamin Harrison from staking into obscurity when he leaves the Presidental office is his marvelous mentality. No one drops out of velous mentality. No one drops out of sight more quickly than a President out of a job.

### FRIENDS OF THE PINE.

Beetles That Bore the Trees May Be Knocked Out by Tiny Foes

BROUGHT OVER FROM GERMANY.

A West Virginia Entomologist Finds Way to Protect Forests.

THE EXPERIMENTS PRESAGE SUCCESS

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY, MOR-GANTOWN, W. VA., Nov. 19 .- During the past two years the owners of extensive pine timber tracts in West Virginia and Virginia have noticed that there existed an unhealthy condition of the trees in certain sections, and the rapid spread of this in-fection from the less valuable to the more valuable species of pine gave rise to grave slarm. As the trouble was first noticed in the northern part of the great pine belt that extends from the northern boundary of Pennsylvania through to the southern part of the United States, the matter was referred to the West Virginia Agricultural

station for investigation.

Prof. A. D. Hopkins, entomologist of the station, made several tours of investigation through the infected districts, and discov-ered that the trouble was no due to a diseased condition of the timber, but that it was caused by the ravaged of a beetle, the Dendroctronus frontalis, to which he gave the common name of "The Destructive Pine Real Parts"

How the Trees Are Affected. The first trees attacked in the spring will die during the fall, but most of the others will remain green until the following spring, when the leaves will be noticed turning yellow near the top, and is a short time the entire tree will show the killing effects. Prof. Hopkins found that while the "scrub" pine yielded quickly to attack, the more valuable of the timber pines appeared to be able to longer resist the attack; but it was manifest that after the beetles had gained sufficient strength of numbers in

the scrub pine they could easily attack and destroy the other species.

From these facts it was decided that if, through natural appearance or artificial introduction, some disease or insect could be obtained that would prey upon the destructive beatle, and the tree fire peaks. obtained that would prey upon the destruc-tive beetle, and thus keep its numbers re-duced, the destruction might be checked. It appears to be necessary that the beetles kill the trees in which they breed, and if at any time there would not be enough of them to kill the trees their power for re-production would be gone and they would gradually die out.

gradually die out.

An Insect That Knocks Them Out. By correspondence with entomologists and forest officials in Germany, Prof. Hopkins learned that a certain insect in Europe was very destructive to insects similar in ap-pearance and habits to our destructive pino bark beetle. The experiment of introduc-ing this beneficial species into this country to check the trouble in question was recom-mended to the station officials and to the owners of forests. The proposition met with favor, and in order to hasten the experiment the station, assisted by the tim-ber owners, sent Prot. Hopkins to Germany

to make personal investigations.
His visit to Germany was at the time of the cholera epidemic, and on account of the strict quarantine he decided that it would not be possible to get sufficient numbers of the insect into this country to introduce into our forests this fall. Arrangements were accordingly made for extensive collec-tions to be made and sent to this country during this winter and next spring. Prof. Hopkins returned recently with 1,000 specimens. Since his return he has been conducting a series of experiments, and finds that when they are placed with our destructive beetle they attack them vigor-

If so (and with sensible, economical people it always is), this will be the banner week for bargain seekers, as between now and December 1 we must yet close out many parlor suits and bedroom suits to permit of sufficient room for our grand holiday display. To. do this we are prepared to quote prices hitherto unheard of. As a mere illustration

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