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How the baby is named in Persia: Five

names are written on as many slips of

paper. One of the slips is drawn at random. The name on the slip is th one the child has to bear htrough life.

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REPUBLICAN CITY TICKET.

SCHOOL DIRECTORS .- C. C. Ferber, E.

Governor Stone and the Department of Agriculture may not be able to prove conclusively that the oleo law is a law, but they can at least furnish a safe guard that will enable the oleomargarine enthusiasts to avoid good butter.

A Fight for Life.

NGLAND'S defeat is serious in South Africa; it means the fail of Ladysmith, the dispiriting of the British

the further disaffection of the Afrikanders and possibly a loss of Engtan I's hold upon the native tribes. But the most serious feature of the collapse of the Buller campaign is its possible encouragement of European intervention with obstructions to the British cause and perhaps with demands reaching into other theaters of International concern.

Up to this moment diplomatic recognition of the South African republic has been serupulously withheld by the neutral powers, notwithstanding the considerable pressure from public opinion in France, Germany and Holland for some official show of the popular sympathy. As the English prestige has lessened under the stress of cumalative defeat, this pressure has enormously increased; and the incident last week of the ostentatious invitation of Dr. Leyds, the Boer agent in Europe, to a banquet given by the German minister of foreign affairs was something that would not have occurred had

British arms met with no reverses, That the seriousness of the crisis is fully recognized by Great Britain is demonstrated by the tone of the London press. The gathering storm of public criticism which a short time ago threatened to break immediately over the present English ministry has disappeared as if by magic under the obvious necessity for a closing of all ranks against the perils abroad. One paper urges the fitting cut of the entire fleet upon a war basis, and it is a conservative journal at that. It is plain that the inhabitants of the mother country are now profoundly stirred, as they have not been during the present generation. Out of a seemingly. little matter has grown a mountain of trouble, with vaster difficulties and dangers portending; but there is some-

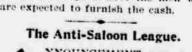
any port or place on the Pacific ocean; or erect or maintain any fortifications, or occupy or fortify, or colonize, or assume, or exercise any dominion over Nicaragua, Costa Rica the Mosquito coast, or any part of Central America; or make use of any protection which either power may afford, or any alliance which either power has, or may have to or with any state or people," day

for any of the above purposes. "After the treaty was signed Sir Henry Bulwer filed in the state department a memorandum to the effect that nothing in the treaty should be held to abrogate the right of British subjects to maintain their woodcutting 'settlement' in the coast district known as the Belize, and Mr. Clayton stated that such was his understanding. Our government is in nowise bound by Mr. Clayton's statement. But, even if it were, the 'settlement' of which Sir Henry Bulwer spoke, which merely gave to British subjects the right of denizenship and woodcutting under the sovereignty of the

republic of Honduras, was, after the beginning of our Civil War, transformed by Great Britain into a crown colony, which, of course, involved the assumption of British sovereignty." It was contended by Secretary Frelinghuysen that this violation of the spirit of the original convention left the United States free to consider the compact broken; and the same view was upheld by the first Cleveland ad-

ministration. This is a loop-hole of escape in casa we need a loop-hole. But the better plan is to have a fair and square understanding. This doubtless already exists.

Base ball enthusiasts are already at work, arranging games for the season of 1900. An Atlantic League to include Scranton and Wilkes-Barre, has been organized on paper, and in fact all concerned are hopeful save the men who



NNOUNCEMENT was made in yesterday's Sun of a new attack which is being organized in New York city upon

saloons and the saloon influence. The Anti-Saloon league has gone into the metropolis and from the pulpits of twenty-five churches on Sunday sermons were delivered bearing upon this subject. The Anti-Saloon league is an institution which had its birth seven years ago in Oberlin, O., and is now strongly entrenched in thirty-three states in the Union. Its work is to combat intemperance not only in an educational way but also practically, by forcing the enforcement of the liquor laws, by insisting upon the nomination of honest men for office, by drafting and strongly supporting new legislation intended the batter to safeguard the public welfare and by such other forms of activity as may in different localities seem to be called for,

According to its national superintendent, Rev. Dr. Russell, of Columbus, O., the league is not in any way connected with the partisan prohibition movement, but is simply a vehicle of enforcing the best legislation regarding the liquor traffic that public sentiment will approve. It tries to do for temthing fine in the way they rise to it perance reform the practical work that and set their faces to see it through, a political machine does in politics,

Outline Studies of Human Nature

The Little Boy's Ambition.

Bobby lives on North Delaware street, ays the Indianapolis Press. He is the conngest in a family of eight. The other he proceedings. his mother interrupted him in one of his customary mad rushes from the gar-ret to the cellar-a new game of his-

and held him by the coat while she said, sently: "Bobby, dear, your birthday comes next tria-Hungary combined.

Tuesday-did you know it? Much to her surprise, the subject, usu-ally a topic of breathless interest, dids t appear to arouse Bobby to enthusiasm On the contrary, he seemed anxious get away and continue his game. He ever, he condescended to replay, "Yeth,

"I haven't heard you say anything about the sort of a present you would like," sold his mamma. "Surely, Bobby, there's something that you would like pretty well, is there not? Bobby answered with a suggestion of sarcasm in his voice: "Yeth, but I won't

His matama was touched. "Why, Bobbr." she said, "how do you know that you won't get it? Don't you usually get everything you want?" "Not always," returned the youngest of the eight, and his tone smacked of the cruelty and heartlessness of the world. His mamma was puzzled. Bobby had a bicycle, a red wagon, an airgun, a fire engine. What was it he wanted? It must engine. be a Chinese kite. Bobby was always wanting Chinese kites-and always getting them. She could think of nothing

"Bobby," she raid tenderly, "tell namma what it is." dug the toe of his shoes into the Turkish rug in some embarrassment. "Tell mamma, Bobby," repeated his mother, "what is it?"

"Will you let me go then?" "Yes, Bobby." "Honest." "Yes."

"Well, then," blurted out Bobby, " want to have a beefsteak all to myself"

Harrison's Maiden Speech The recent maiden effort of the junior

senator from Indiana, Mr. Beveridge, has, says the Washington Post, revived a story at the capitol of the first speech that General Harrison made before the upper house, Jan. 23, 1882, when he was hunself a junior senator from the Hoosier state. The then future president had en-tered the senate March 4, 1881, when the usual extraordinary session was called, following the inauguration of a chief magistrate. Between that time and the following December General Ambrose E. Burnside, a native of Indiana, but a senator at that time from the state of Rhode Island, has died. General Harrison was requested by some of the senators to join in the culogies to be delivered on the life and public services of the great soldier of the civil war, this being regarded as particularly fitting, because General Harrison had served at one time under Gen-

eral Burnside's command. A day or two before the date fixed for the Burnside eulogies, a well-known of icial of the treasury, who had been appointed from Indiana and who was : close friend of General Harrison, received a request to call at the latter's office. There he found General Harrison hard at ork over the eulogy, but thoroughly dissatisfied with the results of his toll. "I wish you would read this over," he aid, as soon as his caller had been seated, holding up several sheets of manucript that bore evidence of many chang es of language and phroses. "I want you to scratch out anything in it that you don't like. Scratch it all out, if you think best," added the general, in a liscouraged tone, "and write in whatever

you wish. General Harrison's visitor read the manuscript that was handed him, and noted the beautiful sentiments of loyalty and friendliness that beamed from every The eulogy was delivered as Genpage. eral Harrison had written it, and has been pronounced one of the choicest and sweetest bits of tribute literature ever heard in the United States senate.

estimated at 20,000,000, of which at least one million are saddle horses fit for the purposes of war. 000000000000000000 In Woman's Realm It is said that the population of the world increases 10 per cent. every ten Years. The New York Postoffice did a business

of \$143,200.000 in 1809-an increase of \$ per cent. over 1898. THE NEW book which seems to be attracting most attention just now among the readers of fiction is "Red At meetings of the British cabinet no dictal record of any kind is kept of

Pottage." by Mary Cholomondely (which you will renember to pronounce "Chumley"), published oy Harper's on this side. While it is admirably written The arrests for drunkenness in Boston ast year averaged 65 per day, or 4 per cent, of the population. Russia could put in the field 155,000 cav-alry to the 112,000 of Germany and Ausand with the purpose of showing up the special kind of a London tool who enters into an intrigue with a married wo-man, it is rather painful in its denoue-ment and leaves a bad taste in your the ticks of a watch a ray of light, it is averred, ccuid move eight mouth. This, the author makes a feeble attempt to remove by an equivocal sort of dose in the shape of an epilogue which times around the earth. A woman has sued a Chicago hospital for \$100,000 for the loss of her sense of

shows you a hint of what may happen if the desolate heroine should in lat r years console herself with a cowboy bind of taste, due, it is stated, to a mistake in administering medicine. Huddersfield, England, furnishes its lover in Australia. This has the effect of esidents with transportation, gas, elec-ricity, stoves, fuel, houses and even with failing you with an unreasonable desire to have seen her drown along with her late "intended." beef from its own abattoirs. Dr. J. C. Culbertson, a member of the

The book serves one purpose that of making the author's intention clear to Cincinnati school bcard, believes the schools should be moved out into the country and the pupils supplied with car show up a particularly obnoxious brand of clergyman.

PEAKING OF books; among the re-PEAKING OF books; among the re-cent ones which can now be obtained at the library is that delightful one of T. Hopkinson Smith, "The Other low," which contains a number of

Fellow." A school girl in Wabash (Ind.) is suf-tering from paralysis of the muscles of tories read by him last winter. Among stories read by find hast whiter. Among these are "A Kentucky Cinderella," "A Water-logged Town" and "Five Meals for a Dollar." In one entitled "That Tramp of Bob's," the author remembers that Scranton is on the map by alluding the mouth, caused by too persistently chewing gum. As a result the left side of her mouth is drawing up toward the A physician declares that a person in to it in connection with the old violin man's pathetic peregrinations. obust health walks with his toes pointed

the last season has been about 100. Fifty-six persons were lost by the foundering of ships and thirty-two were lost over-

board. No passengers were lost on any of the regular lines. One million five hundred and thirtyeight thousand seven hundred and thirty-eight is the precise number of birds esti-mated by the British Consul of Venezuela to have been killed last year to provide algorites for ladies' hats. Ireland has 62,000 people named Murphy; Kelly, 55,000; Sullivan, 43,500; Walsh, 33,000; Ryan, 32,000; Connor, 31,209; O'Neill, 29,100, and Relily, 20,000, Kelly is a Kildare name, Sullivan Cork and Kerry and Byrne Dublin and Wicklow. noted piece of word painting by Walter Pater relating to the Monna Lisa in the Statistics just completed by the Income Tax Commission of Great Britain show

that out of a total adult male population of 12,500,000 more than 10,000,000 earn less What makes this book especially interesting to Scranton readers is because the cover is designed by Miss Morse, su than 560 a year. The income tax is colected at the rate of 16 cents on each \$5 above \$860, and the total tax, which last perintendent of drawing of the public schools. It is issued by Dodd, Mead & year amounted to nearly \$100,000,000, was Co. contributed by not more than 2,000,000

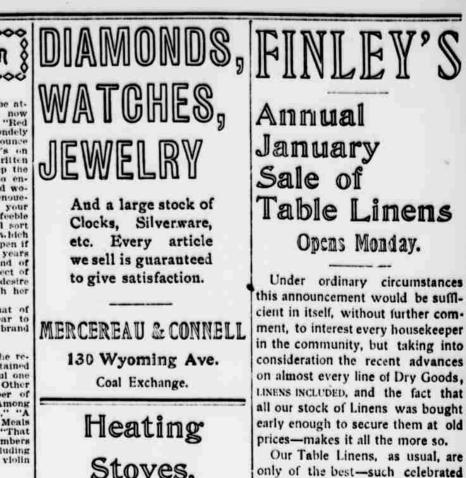
PERSONALITIES.

LITERARY NOTES.

Ainslee's Magazine for February is notable for an extraordinary varied table of conterts. Perhaps the most valuable contribution is the character sketch of Ceril Rhodes, by Allen Sangree. Harry Thurston Peck, in an article on "This Decade's Immortal Books," contends that this is the most sterile decade of the century, holding that only two writers of the period will live. "The United States of the World," by George Leland Hunter, is a paper of great significance at this of \$79,000. stage of the world's politics. The cruise of the Wilmington up the Amazon is vividly described by E. H. Coleman, while G. H. Payne tells of Howard Gould's transatlantic cruise in the Niagara. The weird color of Sable Island has never been better convinced than in Gustav Kobbe's dramatic picture of this ocean graveyard. "The Autobiography of a Ma-laria Germ." as edited by Theodore Waters, is quite out of the usual magazine styler For stories "The Vindication of Henderson of Greene," by Brand Whit-lock, is the best work this forceful writer On has yet done. There are also stories by Opie Read, Edith Robinson, Howard

safety. ated from the legal department of the Fielding and General King.

Sir William Turner, who has just been lected president of the British associa-







Ex-Senator Sawyer, of Wisconsin, has given \$5,000 for the building of a home for friendless persons in Oshkosh. Queen Victoria loathes cats, and no one th her immense household is permitted to own a cat. She has an uncanny fear of them.

Henri Rochefort, editor of the Paris L'Intransigeant, has fought 210 duels and has challenges for a dozen more out standing.

Pierre Loriflard has had his famous house-boat, now at Jacksonville, Fla. overhauled and refitted at an expense

Professor John J. Flather, of the Wisconsin State university, believes tha liquid air is often "faked," and thinks in any event, it will be useless for pow

A bullet fired at King George of Greece by a murderer imbedded itself in th framework of his carriage. He had i extracted and mounted as a watch charm, and thinks it is a talisman for his

of the most prominent lawyers o Oklahema City is Laura Lykins, a half blood Shawnee woman, who was gradu

Caritsle Indian school in 1898.

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to the front, while one with his health on the wane gradually turns his toes to the . . . NOTHER book lately received at the side, and a bend is perceptible in his A NOTHER book lately received at the library is also one of short stories, which seems to be the popular way of serving up fiction of the day, is "The Queen's Twin," by Sarah Orne Jewett. It is delightful and a breezy, out of door fascination indescribable in the body on the source. Loss of life on the Great Lakes during its hold on the reader. A new work which will be seized with enthusiasm by the art lover is "Great Pictures Described by Great Writers." Edited and translated by Esther Single ton, author of "Turrets Towers and Temples." It is a sumptuous volume containing exquisite reproductions of the masterpieces of painting and description written by some of the most famous authors of modern times, including Dumas Ruskin, Austin, Dobson, Fromentin Gautier, Constable and many others, The

irrespective of the cost. There will be a reckoning later; just now it is a fight for life

A confusion of names which made "Brandt" read "Bradley " has involved the New York World in a ten thousand dollar libel suit. And yet many correspondents wonder why newspapers should be so particular in the way of insisting upon good penmanship,

The Clayton-Bulwer Treaty. HE POSSIBILITY of com-

plications arising over the Clayton-Bulwer treaty

should the United States go shead, as contemplated in the Hepburn bill, with the construction of the Nicaragua canal, is remote. An understanding on this subject undoubtedly exists between the governments of Great Britain and the United States. Still, the question is of sufficient academic interest to deserve consider. ation among the possible consequences, and this, we trust, will excuse us for quoting from the New York Sun an unusually clear history of the treaty and of the interpretations which have been placed upon it.

In 1847 the copublic of Nicaragua became involved in trouble with a tribe of Indians, the Mosoultos, who dwelt upon the Atlantic coast side of the isthmus of Nicaragua. Over these Indians a protectorate was claimed by Great Britain; and after Nicaragon, Sentatives. had raised the Nicaraguan flag Great Britain stepped in and forced it to yield to the Indians' terms. "This net," the Sun adds, "was construed by our government as indicative of an infontion-to prevent the construction of a canal across the American isthmus with American money and under American protection and control. The pelations between Great Britain and the United States soon assumed a threatening aspect, and one of the first administrative measurer of President Tayler, after he took office on March 4, 1840, was to send a diplomatic agent te Central America. Soon after this agent's arrival the Pritish took forcible possession of certain islands in the Bay of Fonseca, on the Facility slde of the Nicaraguan isthmus, ostensibly to force claims for the indemnifir reality, as Americans believed. to might augment the misunderstanding and precipitate a conflict. According. ly, Mr. Clayton, the secretary of state, and, Mr. Henry Bulwer, representing Great" Britain, framed the treaty of April 19, 1850, the first article of which provides that neither government 'will ever obtain or maintain for itself any exclusive control over the ship canal which may be constructed between the Atlantic and the Pacific oceans by the way of the River San Juan da Nicaragua, or either or both of the lakes of Missessua ar Managua, to

with the difference that it asks for no spoils in compensation. The idea is apparently sound; and it will be interesting to observe how far it can be successfully applied to a wide-open com-

munity like New York. A problem which we dare say the league has thought of and provided for would arise if many saloons in our large cities should be suddenly closed, leaving their habitual patrons to find shelter, entertainment and amusement elsewhere.

As nearly every newspaper in Susquehanna county has denied being in the syndicate, the much-talked-of journalistic combine up that way begins to assume the aspects of a pipe

dream.

As to Puerto Rico.

T IS ANNOUNCED upon authority and apparently confirmed by actions that the administration

has undergone within the past days a change of base in regard to the policy to be pursued toward Puerto Rico. The president in his message strongly advocated extension of the federal revenue laws to that island, thereby aiming to assure perpetual free

trade between the island and the mainland. This policy was later indersed by the cabinet and formulated in a bill introduced by Representative Payne, the floor leader of the house of repre-

But now the position is assumed by those representing the administration that it would be wiser not to pass legis. lation involving an apparent recognition of Puerto Rico's constitutional equality with other territory of the United States-a law point in process of judicial determination-and we are told that the administration will instead press for a merely nominal tariff on articles imported into the United States from Puerto Rico. This, it is asserted, will afford necessary relief to Puerto Rican producers without committing the administration prematurely to a territorial form of government im-

plying statehood as a goal. In a matter of this nature the administration, with its complete fund of information, is better qualified than the ordinary citizen to reach a wise ection of British subjects against the judgment. Confidence, therefore, should states of Honduras and Salvador, but not be withdrawn from it. At the same time, the belief is widespread that compet this country to enter into an Puerto Rico is fairly entitled to all the agreement for a joint construction and rights and privileges of a territory in operation of the proposed cand. At the familiar significance of that term: all events, it was evident that delay and that, while it is well to be cautious it is also well to be just.

There seems to be nothing small about Mr. Littlefield.

The Real Thing.

It matters naught to you and me If this, the new-born year, Begins or ends a century; Our duty still is clear.

Each in the span of his own life-Amid the storm and bustle-Must win his laurels in the strife. So get to work and hustle. -Washington Star.

A pompous member of Parliament visan agricultural show in Dublin ar rived late, and found himself on the outskirts of a huge crowd, says the Scottish-American. Being anxious to obtain a good view for himself and a lady friend who accompanied him, and presuming that he was well known to the spectators, he tapped a burly coal porter on the shoulder and peremptorily demanded, Make way there." "Garn, who are ye pushin'? was the mexpected response.

The Creature and the Creator.

"Dou you know whom I am, sir?" cried the indignant M. P "I am the representative of the peo-

"Yah!" growled the porter, as he stood unmoved, "but we're the bloomin' peo-

le themselves."

The Editor's Mistake.

Editors have their troubles. One of hese men who preside over the destintes of a western newspaper is mourning the oss of two subscribers. No. 1 wrote asking how to raise his twins safely, while the other wanted to know how be might rid his orchard of grasshoppers. The answers went forward by mail, but by ac-cident the editor put them into the wrong envelopes, so that the man with the twins received the answer: "Cover them carefully with straw and

ot fire to it, and then the little pests after jumping in the flames for a few minutes, will be speedily settled:

And the man with the grasshoppers was told to "give castor oil and rub their gums with a bone."-Columbian. Awkward Juvenile Candor.

When James Everett Butler, a grandson of Governor Mount, is in the gov-ernor's office, the attaches of the office "walk straight," says the Indianapolis Press. A day or two ago, while the governor was almost buried under a mass of state papers in his private office, a man walked into the office and asked if the covernor were in. "He is not in just at present." said Pricate Secretary Wilson, in his most suave manner. "O. yes, he is," said James Everett Butber, "He's right in that room there," and Mr. Wilson nearly collapsed as the stran-

ger walked into the private office. Straw Did Not Go with Bread.

One autumn Sunday, says the Scottish American, a Highland divine preached from the text, "Cast thy bread upon the waters, and after many days it shall re-tern unto thee." A day or two after there was a heavy rainfall, a large portion of the minister's corn on the glebe lands being swept away. Meeting a neighbor, the minister said: suppose, Tamas, you werena able ak' ony o' my sheaves oot o' the water?" "No," replied Tamas, "an' I dinna

ken if I would, even though I could. Why. "Weel, ye told us on Sunday to 'cast

oor bread upon the waters." "
"I did that," replied the minister, "but

straw an' a'." NUBS OF KNOWLEDGE.

The rocking chair "injures the nerves."

Yellowstone Park geysers are slowly playing out. For every million inhabitants in Rus sia, there are only ton newspapers. One of India's sacred fires that still burns was consecrated 1.200 years ago. The entertainment of royalty costs English society each year fully \$10,000,000 costs Great Britain's postal service earns 20,000,000 a year. At Japan's Atlantic City (Ikao) every-body goes naked.

Russia is a country extremely rich in borses, the number of which has been Linson.

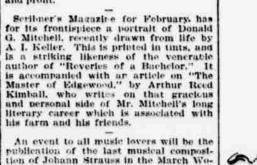
Thomas B. Reed, in writing of the modern trust, does not seem to regard it either as an "octopue" or a bugaboo. "My notion." says he. "is that while Providence and the higher laws which really govern the universe are, in men's talk, much inferior to the revised stat-utes before they are enacted, they are always found to be quite superior to them after they are enacted. In fact, nature abhors a monopoly as much as it does a vocuum." Mr. Reed's paper on "Monopolies"-which is to appear in the Saturday Evening Fost of February 10is a suggestive discussion of the methods of vast corporations. It discusses in a FU striking and original manner one of the nost pressing questions of the day.

The last of the "body" articles in the February Century is the one that will doubtless attract the most attention. This is the first instalment of hitherto unpublished extracts from the private diary of Dr. B. E. O'Meara, Napoleon Bonaparte's physician at St. Helena. The original manuscript of this journal, in

eighteen little volumes, has come into the possession of the Century company, and is found to afford a surprisingly large amount of new material in the way of conversations with the exiled em-peror. These "Talks with Napoleon" will form an important feature of The Century during the year 1900.

A special feature has been made of late in the monthly magazine numbers of The Outlook, of single pages devoted each to a portrait and sketch of some man prominently in the eye of the world at the time of publication. The February maga-zine number has portraits and sketches of this kind, of Secretary John Hay, of this kind, of Secretary John Hay, whose management of international af-fairs is just now receiving such wide-spread applause, and of Mr. E. I., God-kin, who has just resigned from the ed-itorship of the "Nation" and of the "Evening Post" of New York. (Si a year, "Evening Post" of New York, (Si a year, The Outlook company, New York.).

Everybody's Magazine is the name of a comparatively new bidder for public favor in the lo-cent field. It makes a feature of tin top short stories-the kind that grip hold of ore-and of simple ex-Hill planations of common things that roody understands. For instance, February number we are told in a re-markably clear and graphic manner just now electricity is generated, and how it runs the tralley car. For a purely scientille subject it has been treated with as-tonishing simplicity and brevity, and no one can read the article without interest and profit



publication of the last musical composi-tion of Johann Strauss in the March Woman's Home Companion, which magazine has secured the exclusive right to publish this musical masterpiece. It is entitled "Dream Visions," and arranged for the plano, being a grade of composi-tion within the execution of the average nusician.

The publishers of McClure's Magazine say that nothing else they have ever brought out has attracted such wide at-tention and such hearty commendation as "The Life of the Master," by Dr. John Watson ("Ian Maclaren"). A second in-stallment will appear in the February number with five illustrations in color and many in black and white, all from special paintings and drawings by C. K.

tion for 1990, is one of the best-know anatomists in the world. He is 67 year of age and a native of Lancaster. Whe he was only 22 years of age he was made demonstrator of anotomy at the Univer-sity of Edinburgh.

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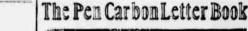
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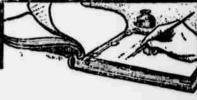
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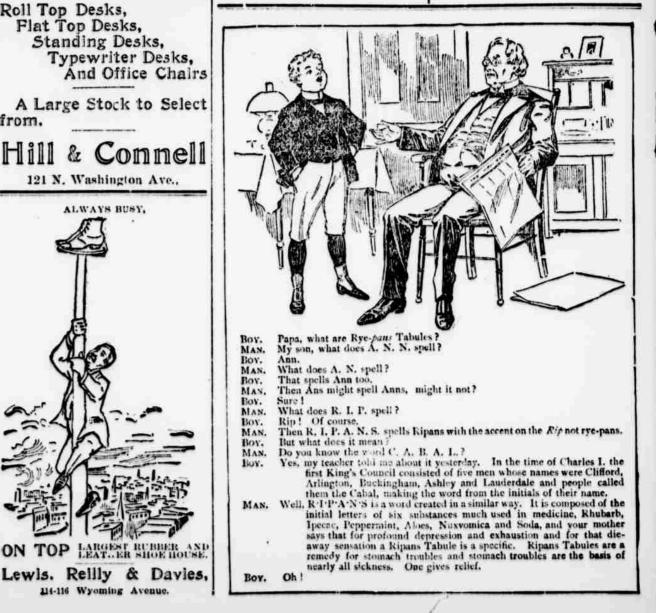




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