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Uncle Mark Hanna needs the resignation rumor with periodical emphasis. Uncle Mark may die, but he will not resign.

Congress.

EXPECTATION of remarkable results at this short session of congress should not rise too high. The regular appropriation bills will occupy every minute of the time which the session will have at its disposal, and if any broad proposition of general legislation gets a hearing, it will be by special grace of the ruling powers and with scant probability of final action.

No doubt there will be a raft of propositions for arbitration, suggested by the coal strike. They will get on the calendar and place their authors' names in print briefly and that will be the last of them. Then, too, we may expect a deluge of bills to regulate trusts. But that is a matter of delicacy sufficient to require separate and ample consideration. It can never get due attention in a crowded short session.

A New Kind of Union.

UNION of employees and employers together is proposed by C. W. Post, the Battle Creek philanthropist, and has been started in Washington. Its principles and purposes are thus defined: First—The widespread distribution of reliable market reports, at least weekly, of the labor market in the various centers of American activity to the inspection of employer and employee.

Ambitious Canada.

GRAND expectations are forming in Canada, and apparently with good reason, with reference to the benefits to be derived from the new transcontinental railroad which the Grand Trunk people are planning to build across the northern part of the Dominion. An idea of the vastness of the Canadian northwest is conveyed in the fact that while the line of the proposed road in general is 800 miles north of the "Canadian" Pacific, it still is only in the heart of the country and there is plenty of room in the sweet by and bye for a third grade of steel to scrape the ranges of the Rockies.

Foot and Mouth Disease.

THE OUTBREAK of foot and mouth disease in the New England States is a very serious menace to the agricultural interests of the country. Radical measures must be taken to stamp it out. Not only must every animal affected by the disease be slaughtered, but all cattle within a comprehensive area surrounding the infected districts should be brought to the block also.

quate to the market value of the animal sacrificed. Moreover, every farmer in such a plight is not merely the victim of his own, but of his neighbor's misfortune. If he receives compensation for his own losses he is in turn called upon to contribute to the compensation fund set aside for the other victims. But there is no help for it. Foot and mouth disease is as infectious as it is insidious and contagious. It has to be stamped out, regardless of cost.

Secretary Wilson, of the agricultural department, has issued a sweeping order in which the four states of Vermont, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Massachusetts are named as New England territory in which the disease exists to an alarming extent. The only criticism that can be offered upon this order is whether it has come in time; whether, in fact, disease has taken a westward turn. The offices of the agricultural department are very vigilant. Very little happens of moment in the agricultural world of which they are not immediately cognizant, but foot and mouth disease among cattle, like cholera or smallpox in man, takes a short but specific time to germinate covertly. The pathology of the disease is a mystery; it is altogether incurable, while the unaccountable rapidity with which it spreads over widely isolated areas shows that its germs are air-borne. The only redeeming feature in combating it is the universal acceptance of the fact that only by slaughtering right and left can its ravages be stayed.

If asked to name the fourth busiest port in the world, who would think of naming a lake port like Chicago? Yet that would be correct. Chicago follows London, New York and Hamburg in the order of importance and is, in fact, really not far behind the foremost, requiring to gain only a little more than one-seventh in her total tonnage to equal the tonnage of London. New York and London are nearly tied, and it is likely that a year or two will find the American city in the lead.

The Public Schools of Porto Rico

IN THESE days of unjustified criticism of the public schools of the United States, it is refreshing to turn to our own possessions and see what a splendid work is being successfully carried on by American educators, who are themselves, products of the American public school system.

Used to That Sort of Thing.

A gentleman took a country friend to the opera one night to hear the "Meistersinger" performed. He was very anxious to see the effect of Wagner's music on the ears of the countryman, and watched him keenly during the rendering of the overture, which, grand as it is, is a little more, more especially when the full force of the drums and the crash of the cymbals occur at intervals.

Not His Father's Friend.

A doting Chicago father whose first-born is Arthur has a little daughter four years old. The family recently moved to a new locality in the city, only a few blocks away from a street car barn, where several nudes are kept.

Set the Offer to Puck.

The death of R. M. Field for many years manager of the Boston Museum, recalls his experience some years ago with Maurice Barrymore, who was tried to engage that actor as his leading man. Barrymore was in New York, making a tour of the city, when "Jack" Mason, then leading man of the museum stock company, resigned. Mr. Field looked over the list of leading men, and finally telegraphed Barrymore.

some respects no worse than his continental neighbors, with a political and social pedigree of Roman antiquity. Nevertheless, the Haytian is in a sorry plight. He is growing from bad to worse. His ignorance of his own condition is perhaps, on the whole, the most lamentable feature of his situation. He believes he is the finest fellow upon earth, and, indeed, he is the laziest, dirtiest, and for sheer egotism, the most contemptible. The distance between an average Canadian negro in ordinary agricultural prosperity and a Haytian negro with the same relative opportunities, can only be measured by the imagination.

Hayti is in a state of chronic revolution. There seems to be no respite from it. What the Haytians are fighting for, nobody on the face of the earth knows, not even themselves. There is the presidency of the republic, to be sure, but General Nord declares he is not aspiring to that. He is reputed to have ten thousand men at his back. We must make many deductions in estimating the effective force of this great host. It is safe to say that one-half are generals and general officers, and at least an additional third are followers. We do not know the mathematical proportion of General Nord's opponents; but it is safe to say that when Nord reaches Port-au-Prince, there will be a hot time in the old town that night.

It is pitiable that an island so fertile and magnificently situated should not have in store for it a better fate than to be over-run every other month by hordes of armed vagabonds, calling themselves an army, eating up like a swarm of locusts every natural product that the country produces.

One cure for hasty and ill-considered marriages, under consideration in Indiana, contemplates the selection in each county of a marriage board of five persons, at least two to be women of years and experience, before whom every applicant for a marriage license must make application at least six months before the license can be granted. It is thought that the mere interposition of so much time for deliberation would without other requirement do much to stop marriages prompted by momentary infatuation. It is possible that this plan may be accepted by the Indiana legislature this winter. Its operation would certainly prove interesting.

Outline Studies of Human Nature

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What cuts the fancy price out of diamonds? For more definite information call at my store and "axe" me, and at the same time see the free and interesting exhibit of diamond cutting. Diamonds in the rough as well as Emeralds, Rubies and other precious stones. The bargain for this week are: Gems: 7-Kt. Ring \$2.50

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ALWAYS BUSY

At last the beautiful snow is here. The Always Busy Shoe Stores are always here to protect your feet and make your heart glad. Child's Happy Rubber Boots, sizes 8 to 10, \$1.25. Youth's Happy Rubber Boots, sizes 11 to 2, \$1.50. Boys' Happy Rubber Boots, sizes 3 to 6, \$1.50. Men's Good Quality Rubbers, 50c. Ladies' Good Quality Rubbers, 25c. Children's and Misses' Rubbers, 25c. Men's Felt Boots and Overs, \$1.50. Men's Woensocket Rubber Boots, \$2.25.

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She Objected. After the best of a matinee performance had ended at a local theatre, a young lady of the audience called out from the dress circle to the big office. "What do you mean, sir, by giving a big fat man the seat next to me?" she inquired of the astonished ticket agent. "Do you suppose I can see through him? I certainly cannot see over an ounce of him!"

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Who \$20.00 For a Christmas Present?



Twenty Christmas Presents \$50.00

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A Contest in Word-Building. Who Can Make the Most Words Out of the Letters in T-H-E H-O-M-E P-A-P-E-R.

THIS IS much easier than last year's contest, and twenty of the brightest boys and girls will secure Christmas Gifts in cash for making the largest number of words out of these letters. It is lots of fun to think of the words and hunt them up in the dictionary, and besides it will help you with your spelling. You will be surprised at the number of different ways these twelve letters can be used.

Rules of the Contest. Presents will be given to the boys or girls, whose parents or guardians are subscribers to THE TRIBUNE, building the largest number of words out of the letters contained in "The Home Paper."

No letter must be used any more times than they appear in these three words. As an example, only one "A" could be used, but there might be two "H's" or three "E's."

Only words defined in the MAIN PORTION of "Webster's International Dictionary" (edition of 1895) will be allowed. Any dictionary can be used, but in judging the contest THE TRIBUNE will debar all words not found in Webster's.

Proper names, or any other words appearing in the "Appendix" will not be allowed. Obsolete words are admitted if defined in the dictionary. Words spelled two or more ways can be used but once. Words with two or more definitions can be used but once. No single letters counted as words except "A" and "O."

How to Write Your List. Write on one side of the paper only. Write very plainly; if possible, use a typewriter. Place the words alphabetically. Write your name, age, address and number of words at the top of your list.

Write the name of parent or guardian with whom you live and who is a regular subscriber to THE TRIBUNE. Fold the list—DO NOT ROLL. CONTEST CLOSES SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20TH at 5 P. M.

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