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SELECT SIFTINGS.

"The Solid South" will be a financial phrase ten years hence, predicts the Chicago Times-Herald.

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The peach blossom has been selected by a vote of the school children of Delaware as the floral emblem of the State.

It is remarked by a statistician that the States which have the largest percentage of women teachers have also the lowest per cent. of illiteracy.

Professor Cesare Lombroso, who advises that children and youths of habitual criminal ten lencies be isolated as lunatics, says there is scarcely a child who does not abuse his power over those who are weaker than he.

If England sees fit to equip its most important war vessels with wire wound guns, this country must follow suit, declares the New York Telegram. The wire-wound segmental cannon is an American device that has proved under tests by this Government to be practically unburstable.

Professor Dyche, of Kansas University, says that he has practically decided make another trip to the Arct +12 Po

A SONG OF LIBERTY eross the land from strand to strand Loud ring the bugle notes, And Freedom's smile from isle to islo Like Freedom's banner floats!

The velvet vales ring "Liberty!" To answering skies serene: The mountains sloping to the set Wave all their flags of green! The rivers dashing to the deep The joyous notes prolong, And all their waves in glory 'ea

To one immortal song! One song of Liberty and life, That was, and is to be, 3 That was, and is to be, 3 Till tyrant flags are trample And all the world is free! One song! the nations hai From sounding sea to ag throats And answer from their t That song of Liberty comes

They answer, and w bled isles From chained an hunder-drums And roars like oce as smiles. Where brave Cr Where crownere tars, Beneath hard for tars, Where crowned of tars, Beneath her is /sacred flood Herheroes blo i its bars! That crimsol i its bars! That crimsol i its bars! Aail to our of ar-frum's beat; Nor fears the edom in her hands-The sword of her feet! The tyrather in the time constitu-

The tyrap nton, in Atlanta Constitution -Frank L

THREANTOM BELLS.

BY MRS. M. L. RAYNE.

HE ladies of the Chateau Fronte-a nac had invited 2.

andred years, and to whose baneful influence she must become habituated,

influence she must become habituated, when a member of the family. When they first saw Clotilde, she was so young and timid they made up their minds to wait until Gaspard him-self came, but one night as they sat around the great hall-fire there was a great jingle of sleighbells and the sound of swift runners on the crisp snow ontside, and then that muical clash at the door which announced the stopping of the turnout, and the arrival of guests. Surely there was nothing uncommon in this, the coming of a party of merry

in this, the coming of a party of merry people to a country house, and on a magnificent moonlight night when the whole landscape was as light as day! Yet instead of looking pleased or surprised, the ladies sank back in their chairs, and covering their faces with their hands, murmured a

prayer. Clotilde, the little one, clapped her hands, and asked earnestly: "Might it be, my friends, that it is Gaspard, who has come with a sur-

"No, no, Clotilde, it will not be our "No, no, Clotilde, how then shall

conversation located the two lovers.

The shrewd French Canadian was filled with marvelous stories of ghosts which he loved to relate, but none of which he believed, not even his stock fright-story, the legendary Loup-Garon

-, a fire picture the country folk ght her; and that Gaspard was the admired, too, for so the story s come to us, and their pictures are the salon, though some think us t of the right mind to keep them ore Corn is being used as fuel in Central

Bristol, Penn., claims the credit of holding the first annual fair in Penn-sylvania. "It comes soon now, petite, the transfer of those two. One night, just Crab pots and eel pots are exact models, on an enlarged scale, of the Emperor moth.

It is said that two women swindlers have been selling colored sawdust for ground coffee at Dunkirk, Penn.

A citizen of Bridgeton, Maine, who is nearly ninely years of age, was shaved for the first time one day recently.

The Mexican sword, in use among the aborigines at the coming of the Spaniards, was modeled after the nose of the sawfish.

Chicory is used to adulterate coffee, Chunks of dried carrot are used to adulterate chicory, but the carrot is rock bottom.

Thieves visited John Brook's farm, at Plymouth, Montgomery County, Penn., and stole a live porker weigh Penn ing 250 pounds.

there. "It comes soon now, petite, the tragedy of those two. One night, just such a night as this, they went riding in the to gay spirits, and going up hill for the second or third time what should they see but another sleigh coming down! It was coming fast, and my great nucle knew it was death for one side or the other, since pass they could not. And he shouted to the other driver to halt! "Ah, it was too sad. On, on, came the other sleigh, fast like the wind, and my great uncle Gaspard saw that it would into him crash, and he quickly drew a pistol, and fired to kill 'the horse, before it was too late. And his own horse, he get such a fright he plunge over the side, throwing him out, but taking he 'He lived, but like a man in a dream, till some one tell him the saw the shadow was of his own, in some way I know not the exact, the moonlight make that effect by what you call projecting the shadow, and when he know that, he take again the pistol and with it end his misery and his life." A long silence succeeded this waird Lots of acorns are bought in Pike County, Missouri, and sent to spice mills in St. Louis, to be made into coffee and spices. A mountain lion measuring eleven

geon is rapidly supplanting other methods of taking the big fish in the upper Columbia and Snake Rivers. The

nets are from 600 to 900 feet long, and the meshes vary in size between twe! and nineteen inches. I. : possession of the Baroness Burdect-Coutts is a guinea which she treasurers above all her minor belong-

treasurers above all her minor belong-ings. Her grandfather, who was a gentleman of slovenly outward ap-pearance, was given it by a benevolent old party, who chanced to mistake him for a pauper.

Several large consignments of salmon eggs have lately been sent from this country to Europe. A crate of 50,000 eggs was shipped from the Uni-ted States fishery at Baird, Cal., to Ireland, and another crate, containing 50,000 eggs, was shipped from the same place to Germany.

same place to Germany. Two hunters of Boise, Idaho, had a sorrowful experience. They spent half a day loading shells, being dissatisfied with those on sale, and next morning drove twenty-two miles to the hunting grounds. On arriving there they dis-covered that they had left all their ammunition at home in Boise.

A fox and a hunter together stalked a partridge near Tyron, Vt., the other aga, but each unknown to the other. The bird alighted in an apple tree be-hind a barn, and the hunter tiptoed around one side of the barn and brought the bird down. But as the bird dropped, the bird down. But as the bird dropped, the fox, coming round the other side of the barn, seized it and was off with his dinner before the hunter could appreciate what had happened.

"Little Kentucky."

"Little Kentucky," as it might be dubbed very appropriately, is located opposite Island No. 10, where Ken-tucky and Tennessee meet. The river, by gradually cutting outthe Kentucky bank, had worn off a narrow strip of land, until one bright morning several people who lived on this side of the line woke up to find themselves on the other side. In other words, the swift curr/nt had washed away the neck of earth which made the extreme southcarth which made the extreme south-vestern corner of this State a part of 'the commonwealth of Kentucky. The section of territory thus separated from its parent, as it were, is ten miles long and five miles wide--quite a good monthful to take in at one bite, even for the greedy Mississippi. Every well-posted river man and every person who is acquainted with the geography and typography of this State will understand how such a thing could happen. Right at the State line the river forms a loop about ten miles long. The loop extends up carth which made the extreme south-

ten miles long. The loop extends up into Fulton County. The swift stream has simply drawn this noose tight and formed an island out of what was formerly a peninsula. Hickman is the closest town of any size to the place where all this land making occurred. Darnell, a little hamlet over in Obion County, Tennessee, is quite near the spot. The boundary line between Ken-The boundary line between Ken-tucky and Tennessee has always been rather complicated down about Island No. 10, owing to the peculiar bend in the Mississippi mentioned above. The lakes, bayous and sloughs which bisect that corner of Falton County in all directions also serve to mix matters. The biting off of such a large strip of soil will add to the general confusion, and the question may arise as to whether "Little Kentucky" will here-after belong to the domain of the volunteer State or still be a part and whether "Little Kentucky" will bere-after belong to the domain of the volunteer State or still be a part and parcel of the dark and bloody ground. --Paducah News.



UTAH-OUR NEW STATE.

EXTENT OF ITS VALUABE PROD-ÚCTS AND INDUSTRIES.

Farms, Mines and Factories a Source of Interminable Wealth-Active Progress and Public Improve-ments Always in Hand-A Bright and Brainy Senator.

The admission of Utah as a State of the Union suggests a brief review of its agricultural, mineral and industrial conditions, which we are able to com-pile from the annual report of the Governor of the Territory, Hon. Caleb W. West.

W. West. The population_of_Utah increased 44.4 per cent. between 1880 and 1890, and 14.15 per cent. between 1890 and 1895. It now stands at a total of 247, 1895. It now stands welch 7600 and
1895. It now stands at a total of 247, 324 persons, of whom 126,803 aro males and 120,521 femaler. The as-sessed valuation of real and personal property and improvements was \$97,-942,152; the revenue from taxes was \$497,516. Almost \$2,750,000 were ex-pended last year on private and public buildings and in public works, and 440,000 acres of land were surveyed. The report upon the farming inter-ests of Utah are very extensive. There are 467,000 acres under cultivation, 417,455 acres irrigated, 294,725 acres of improved land ad 979,182 acres of unimproved land. There are 20,581

of improved and and 3/3/182 acres of unimproved land. There are 20,581 farms, of which only 2128 were mort-gaged for \$1,971,352, and \$720,000 were expended on farm buildings dur-ing the year, \$226,879 in repairs and over \$1,000,000 were paid out for farm labor. We have condensed the principal crop areas and products for pri 189

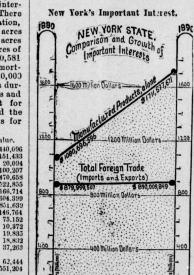
Crop.	Acres.	Bushels.	Value.
Wheat	144,717	3,113,073	\$1,440,096
Corn	19,843	293,557	151,433
Rye	3,791	42,352	20,094
Barley	8,754	271,866	100,207
Oats	43,334	1,387,710	470,658
Potatees	13,526	1,649,239	522,855
Beets	3,056	*38,015	166,714
Hay	89.155	*123,646	604,399
Lucerne	163,544	*462,459	1,851,639
Apples	6,698	377 935	146,764
Peaches	1,636	154,772	75,152
Apricots	351	21,234	10.372
Plums	852	37,810	19,835
Pears	564	27,261	18,832
Granas	670	#104	07 000

In 1893 we imported 13,057,642 lines of pearl buttons. In 1895 we im-ported 18,537,049 lines. Americans, under the Gorman tariff, were deprived of the work that could have been util-ized in making 5,500,000 lines of pearl buttons. The amount of duty collected on foreign pearl buttons in 1893 was \$395,245. In 1895 it was

\$53,308.00 62,977.50 898.826.63 4,193,674.83 per ounce 1,199 1,00

Total export value. .. .9

of Utah that he is a firm believer in the policy of protection for the United States.



NO. 17.

Terms \$ 1.00 in Advance ; \$1.25 after Three Months.

Facis About Furniture. These should running? The furniture men want free lum-ber, free glue, free varnish and every-thing else free, says Editor Godkin of the New York Evening Post, the great destroyer of many industries for the benefit of the few. They have free lumber. What good does it do them? Here are our imports of foreign furni-Here are our imports of foreign furni-ture and the amount of revenue de-

Year	Value of	Total	Ad va-
ending	impor.s of	duties	lorem rate
June 39.	furniture,	collected.	per capt.
1892	\$411,712	\$144,099	35
1893	. 382.199	133,770	35
1894		92,305	35
Average fo three yea		123,391	85
Year endin			•

893.017 98.254 25 1895. We give Mr. Godkin, and the other "placid old fogies" of the local branch of the Cobden Club, all the comfort of the Cobden Club, all the comfort they can derive from the foregoing facts. During the first year of free lumber we have imported \$40,470 worth more of foreign furniture and the Government has lost \$25,137 in revenue on furniture alone without reckoning the million dollars' loss of revenue through placing lumber on revenue through placing lumber on the free list. It may also be men-tioned that in nine months of this year we captured \$243,444 worth less of the furniture trade of the world than we secured in the corresponding months of 1894. Notwithstanding these great boons from free lumber, we noted the other day the failure of one of the largest American furniture manufacturers. Of course the fact that the much furniture as in 1892 and 1893 has nothing to do with the failure.

Labor Looms Up.

At a special meeting of the Phila-delphia Workingmen's Protective Tariff League the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously

adopted : "Whereas, The Wilson Tariff bill, after one year's trial, has failed to raise sufficient revenue to meet the expenses of the Government, while

expenses of the Government, while under its operation the imports of manufactured goods have increased in some instances by 200 per cent. "Whereas, The Fiity-fourth Con-gress will be called upon to devise some means to increase the revenue for the support of the Government, and

and "Whereas, The late verliet of the American workingmen, as expressed by their ballots on November 5, is a by their ballots on November 5, is a further condemation to the present revenue system, and is also a fresh mandete to their representatives in Congress to make the necessary change in the present tariff bill so as to afford adequate protection to all American industries, and also to raise sufficient revenue to defray the neces-sary expenses of the Government with-out having to resort to the question. out having to resort to the question-

purpose; therefore, be it "Resolved, That we enter our pro-test against any further internal taxes test against any further internal taxes upon the American people, but believe that all additional revenue should be raised by increasing the duty on im-ports, especially imports coming in competition with the production of American labor. Construction be sent to our representatives Congress."

Let Louis'aua Celebrate.

It has been suggested by the Cham-ber of Commerce of New Orleans that the one hundredth anniversary of the admission of Louisian; into the Union be celebrated, on December 20, 1903, by a great international exposition of by a great international exposition of the products of the world's progress. Such a celebration would practically include Arkansas, Missouri, Iowa, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Kansas, 'Nebraska, Wyoming, Mon-tana, Idabo, Oregon, Washington and parts of Utah and Colorato, as these States were included with the prehase of the Louisians of to day when the of the Louisians of to day when the French flag was lowered in 1803. The idea is a good one, because it cannot fail to convince our Southern friends of the great advance that the country has made, both in its gricultural and indicating because during the unindustrial resources, during the un-disturbed period of protection that ended in 1803, a policy that, let us all hope, will again be in operation in 1903.

A mountain non measuring eleven feet from nose to tail, and weighing 250 pounds, was killed in San Antonio canyon, Cal., recently. The use of nets in fishing for stur-A long silence succeeded this waird tale and then Clotilde asked in a "Is it then that the sleigh is a ghost?" "Yes, petite, a—what you call phan-tor "

tom." "I am not afraid. I accept, and will pray to give the poor ghosts

It was not like the Loup-Garon, not to the mind of Clotilde half as dread-ful, but she was not really afraid of these because her old uncle had much sense, and he did not believe one of these stories, although tell them he did, and most graphically. Argin on the following evening

Again on the following evening came the sound of bells, and this time Control the sound of beins, and this time Clotild went not near the door, but sat moving her sweet lips in prayer. Then the door was flung violently open and a brasque, cheery voice called:

called: "Hello, there, Victor, Alphonse, you varlets, where are you hiding?" Certainly this was no ghost, and the three women who clung about his neck gave frantic evidence of joy at his coming. Clotilde was not one of the three. A big old man in a fox-skin tooat had taken her in his arms, and was talking to her in gentle burr, the old uncle who told her the dreadful stories, and then she slipped one small hand into her lover's and looked at him with shy, hanny eyes.

his life.

Then he was told the story of the ghostly sleigh, and looked wise and thoughtful for the rest of the evening.

The next morning Uncle Pierre was missing from the chateau, but no one was disturbed, he had taken his gun,

younger sister.

nually in Connecticut and Massachusetts. William Clark, of Vernon, Conn., makes a tour of Tolldan County, Connecticut, and Hampden County, Massachusetts, every fall collecting furs from the farmers. Last season he collected some 1500 skins, mostly skunk skins, but many of them mink. These animals are probably not more plentiful in these two counties than in some other parts of the

and 876.926 females. The estimate, based on the periodical returns of births and deaths and of departures and arrivals, which in Prussia have to be reported to the police, had shown, as worked out on November 10, a total population of 1,757,898. Moreover, the increase in the population during the last five years, according to this census, has been only six per cent., as against twenty per cent. between 1885 and 1890, and sixteen per cent. between 1880 and 1885. The explanation lies in the enormous

growth of the subrubsas compared

Gaspard. Mon Dieu, how then shall we tell her? Child, go you not to the door? Those sleighbells you hear are not of the flesh and blood-I mean Gaspard.

two States. The result of the census taken the other day in Berlin has caused some surprise. It shows the total population of the German capital to he 1,-674,112, whereof 797,186 are males

the driver is not --" But the little Clotilde had run joy-ously to the great hall door, and though no servant stood there to open though no servant stood there to open it, she swung it wide on its messive hinges. A bitter blast of cold air rushed in with a dreary, wailing sound, and no sleigh stood outside, but even as the startled girl watched, a clash of musical bells and the swift sound of the steel-shod runners filled the area of snow. She turned whiter than a lily in the somber moonlight, and flung the door to, affrighted. "Come to the fire, little one; you have seen, then, our skeleton in the closet?"

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closet?

closet?" "I saw not any skeleton-nothing-nothing, but I heard the bells -oh, what does it mean?" "You tell her, Agatha," said the

and would return when he pleased, which was at nightfall, and simultan

eously with his coming rang out the jangling, invisible bells.

stories, and then she slipped one small hand into her lover's and looked at him with shy, happy eyes. "It was so good of you to come in-stead of the ghosts," she said, when later they sat cooing in a corner, while the uncle, who was a great favorite with the young Gaspard, was making himself agreeable to the ladies. "Then you know, dear little one?" said the young man. "And you are not afraid to make your home in the Chateau Frontenac?" "Not with my 'iaspard," came the ghosts came not, and your sisters, they are sorry, too. But afraid—no!" "What of this so much being afraid?" asked a gruff voice, and the old uncle of Clotilde hobbled over to the corner where snatches of their conversation located the two lovers. Then ho was told the otam of the

with Brlin proper.

The Atlanta Constitution says About six months ago Massachusetts created the State Highway Commission, and since that time eighty-nine miles of first-class roads have been constructed under the auspices of the new Board. The experiment is so satisfactory that the Legislature this winter is expected to make a larger appropriation for roadways, and it is now certain that the work so auspiciously begun will be pushed forward with iccreased vigor. The fact that the people.are willing, after spending \$700,000 in 1895, to spend a still larger sum shows that the movement in favor of good roads is already pop-ular enough in Massachusetts to hold its own, and it is natural to suppose that other States will organize thei commissions and go to work on the same line. New Jersey had a somewhat similar experience a tew years ago, and after a few score miles of substantial roads had been completed the people all over the State demand. ed their extension and expressed their willingness to submit to a much higher tax rate in order to secure these improvements. As the country fills up with population the highway question will assume greater prominence and gool roadways will be constructed at the expense of future generations, instead of causing the entire cost to fall upon the people who are progressive enough to insugurate such reforms. ;

"I would greatly prefer that she should hear it from your lips, Cecile," answored the other. "I am not afraid," said the girl

He found the family shivering around the great fire as if they were stricken with deadly cold. Even Gas-pard looked troubled and the little Clotilde was trying to assure him that she was not—"Oh, no, not the least afraid!" "'Fine is the night," he said in sala-tation "and the sit is the clear so "I am not airaid," said the girl proudly. The color was coming back to her lips and checks, and her eyes sparkled. It could not be worse than the legends of the Loup-Garou which her uncle had told her since she was a child—not so very long ago that—but now she was a woman and would not show fear. tation, "and the air is the clear, so you hear-r-r, oh, so far! Heard you not, my Clotilde, the sleighbells that show fear. "You will now know why our Gas

and dearest in the world, but like us.

pard has dark spells when not even his sweetheart can comfort him, why the shadow is never lifted from our lives,

"What you make afraid? Not tue bells of echo, that the wind do bring to your door for the too sweet music? Pah! Ghost is it, not at all, but the r-ravine, and the hills, they do make of the bells of the sleighing compane, and we cannot be quite like other peo-ple. Perhaps you will not then like to marry our brother, who is the best "It is the more I would love him if

the echo which for the minute companie, the echo which for the minute stop at your door; 'tis echo always this so many years that you think it the ghosts!" I might, when he has the trouble; but tell me, please, is it that some wicked souls come back because that they can-not rest?" not rest?" "We know not, petite, but the story is like this: So long ago, maybe, that not our oldest relation can remember, there was another Gaspard de Fron-tenac, a brave, good man like this one, but hot-headed and fiery. And you know, the steep hills that shut us in -so; high with the big ravine--the precipice on either side? And in the winter there was always; snow, and the people went coasting and sleigh-riding with awift hores down those long hills, but never could two meet, for the Incises " Uncle Pierre was compelled to es-cape from the room when the family had accepted his scientific explana-tion, which he further elaborated in their native tongue, he was so over-whelmed with thanks and praises. So the shadow was lifted forever from the house of Frontenae, and the story which had so sad an ending and was accountable for the ghost, is no longer related as the cause of such a dreary effect, and it is now the pleas-ure of the ladies of the otheran, as it once was the abhorrence, to ask visit-ors to listen to the "so strange etho," and out of the materials of a tragedy they have really evolved a comedy.--Detroit Free Press. A Chesterville, Maine, couple re-Uncle Pierre was compelled to es

but never could two meets for the road was just the width for one sleigh, and the people all knew this, and they waited at the plateau on the top, and each took his turn. "It was my great uncle's pleasure to take his young wife and co out on

"It was my great uncle's pleasure to take his young wife and go out on these steep hills and drive her like the wind with a swift flying horse, and she loved the sport and wrapped in furs, with her curls floating in the 'ears ago. A Chesterville, Maine, couple re-cently celebrated their golden wedding in the very house into which they moved on their wedding day, fifty

Hanoverian Etiquette.

Hanoverian Etiquette. One of the minute points of eti-quette upon which the King of Han-over insisted was that he would not receive visitors for a first presentation to him except in uniform. Sir Joseph Crowe had no uniform, and he com-ments on "the fact that a King who was utterly blind could not see [sic] unless the person he wished to honor was in uniform." An American jour-malist was once refused an interview with the same King of Hanover on the same ground; but he was ultimately more successful, for, pleading that ho was an American republican, and appear without a uniform, he was reappear without a uniform, he was ceived, the King commenting hims at the beginning of the intervi-npon the special ground for the o ception.—The Athenseum.

S m a 11 fruits... 747 *609 62,444 Sheep..... 2,422,802 12,119,763 \$4,551,204 Total value..... \$10,249,961 * Tons. † Number of sheep. ‡ Value of heep and wool clip.

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theop and wool clip. Besides the above there were pro-duced 866,322 pounds of drie 1 fraits, 200,000 gallons of eider, vinegar and sorghum, 3,441,732 pounds of butter, 820,747 pounds of cheese and 1,102,121 pounds of honey. Of live stock, other than sheep, Utah has 300,000 head of cattle, including 60,595 milch cows, 47,703 hogs and 5000 head of mules and other animals.

The industrial condition of Utah shows 880 manufacturing concerns, employing 5054 hands who earn \$2,-027,118 a year. The amount of capi-tal invested is \$5,476,246, the value of the plants is \$5,966,215, the value of the raw material used is \$2,610,033 and the value of the product of the factories is \$6,678,118. For commer-cial purpose, Utah has 1974 stores employing 5023 hands who earn \$2,-685,794. The capital invested in the stores amounts to \$14,551,345 and the the sales aggregate \$32,865,611. The capital of the banks exceeds \$5,000,000 and the amount of the deposits was and the amount of the deposits was \$9,689,267 last year, an increase of \$423,000 over the deposits in 1894. There are 1380 miles of railroad in the State and eighty four miles of

electric roads. The mineral interests of Utab are important. Briefly summarized they

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Which Interest is Better Worth Caring for?

Facts.

The decrease in our exports o American products and manufactures during the first fifteen months of the

Gorman tariff, as compared with the first fifteen months of the McKinley tariff, was \$220,333,320. The decrease in our imports under the Gorman tariff, comparing the same periods, was \$63,138,975.

periods, was \$63,138,975. The excess of exports over imports in the McKinley period was \$213,972,-968, but only \$55,759,623 under the Gorman period, a loss, under the lat-ter, of \$157,214,345. Under the Gorman tariff we exported \$20,010,210 more gold and imported \$20,010,210 more gold and imported \$19,759,052 less gold than during the McKinley naviad

\$19,759,052 less gold than during the McKinley period. The net loss in the trade balance of the United States has been \$196,983,-607 during the first fifteen months' operation of the Gorman tariff as com-pared with the first fifteen months of the McKinley tariff. This loss is at the rate of \$18,130,000 s month, or \$500,000 for every business day in the month.

A Word to Senators.

month.

546 Faint heart never won fair lady, and a faint heart will never provide more revenue for the Treasury, check the issue of more bonds or afford proper protection to American labor and in-dustrics. Utah

Protection_Free Trade.

The experts of 1895 in domestic merchasdise were \$75,812,335 less than in 1894; and the imports vere \$76,975,343 greater in 1895 than in 1894. — Annual Report of the Secretary of the Treasury, December 16, 1895.

This Is Official.

The year 1894 was one of large exports and diminished imports ; 1895 was a year of large imports and di-minished exports.—Secretary Carlisle's Annual Report, December 16, 1895.

Good Maxims

Raise revenue, not debt. Increase wage carnings, not interest payments.

Memo for Grover.

Dead ducks have no use for "ener-

His Collar Exploded.

His Collar Exploded. William Benjamia, a brakeman on (Lo Erie Railroad, caught a spark on the back of his cellu'oid collar as his train entered tho station at Hillsdale, N. J. The collar took fro and exploded with a loud report. Ben-jamin soized the collar with both hands and tore it from his neck. He was burnet se-verely on the face, neck and hands. He will be disabled for some time.

A Novel Headlight

The Queen and Crescent Railroad is using with success an arrangement which varies the reflection of the headlight of the loco-motive as it goas around curves to strike the track. It is effective up to a curve of forty-live degrees.