

German merchants-some of them at least-are aggrieved because of the introduction into Germany of "bargain sales," and they have appealed to the government to suppress them. Their demand is that the state shall define what constitutes "unfair competition" and prohibit it. Probably the merchants who united in this request would, most of them, strenuously deay socialistic proclivities, but their request is in the line of pure socialism. It would be only another step in the same direction to ask that the government prohibit one from underselling nnother. We do not read that as yet any customers of the German shopmen have joined in the demand for the abolition of bargain day.



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AFTER DINNER.

The Cannon of Crimean Days. The cannon of Crimean Days were mounted on wooden carringes of the crudest construction; the recoil was not controlled, but merely limited by a stout breeching-rope. Elevation and training were given by moving the gun and carriage by common wooden handspikes, and the gun was run out, after being loaded, by side tackles, Every operation was performed by the simple and direct application of manual labor, and the number of men told off to work a thirty-two pounder gun of not more than three tons weight was fourteen, and they all had hard work to perform. With the modern gun of more than double the weight just half the number of men are required. The

gun captain, or number one, aims and fires, and, unassisted, elevates and trains the gun with the greatest case and nicety up to tht moment of firing; the gun runs out automatically after recoil. The only operation that requires any expenditure of force is the actual loading of the gun, and that is reduced to a minimum.

No Such Thing. The quality of endurance of or indifference to what in other men produces shock or repulsion is said to belong to men without perves. There is no such thing and cannot nerves. There is no such thing and cannot be. The finer the physical development the keener perhaps is the sensibility to pain. Let neuralgia put on its harness for a raid and get after such men, the nerves will be found all quivering at once. And so this malady works, a creeping ugly foe to health bent on torture and misery, until it meets its antipathy, Bt. Jacobs Oil, which cures and conquers, quickly, surely, j

Conquers, quickly, survey.] There is more Catarrh in this section of the rountry than all other diseases put together and until the basic few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pro-mounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to care with local treatment, pronounced it heurable. Schnee has proven catarrh to be a constitu-tional disease and therefore requires constitu-tional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, man-unfactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken intermily in dones from Hidrops to a tempoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case It fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials free. Address F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O.

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depends very largely on the physical condi-tion. Suggish blood dulls the brain. A Ri-pans Tabuie after meals will clear away the logs in short order.

Tasso's features were regular and pleasing but he had a wiid eye.

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Charles L had a pointed beard, in the style nown as Vandyke.

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Items of Interest About the City of Washington.

The majority of the special committee of the house appointed to inquire into the causes of the prevailing agricultural de-pression, has prepared a report in which it

The number of the property owned by the provided has prepared a report in which it says:
"While the value of property owned by the American farmers has decreased in thirty years from nearly one-half of the total weath in 1880 to less than one-fourth in 1880, of which 30 per cent, is now under mortgage—taxes have steadily increased, and debta now require four times the labor to be paid off than was then required. The purchasing capacity of the dollar to secure the farmer's had and his produce has increased fourfod, while the power to pay his increased fourfod, while the power to the depression the committee any. "Class legislation of the worst character encumbers the statute books and has been carried on to the detriment of agriculture and list dependent industries for 30 years, culsinating in the crime of the age — the demonetization of silver in 1873. Silver builton today has the capacity to purchade and, and every other commodity, that it ever had, therefore the depreciation of every atticle under the sun with one single exception—the goal of slivices.
The tariff system is declared to be unequal and condemnation is directed against the sale of futures ou stock exchanges, "where the grain gamblers grow rich by farming the tolegraph wires and selling wind, while the honest and industrious toilers on the prairies." The solutis the remonetized at the ratio of 16 to

NEW LOTTERY LAW.

Stringent Measures Passed by Congress in its Last Hours.

The last measure signed by the president and one in which a great deal of interest has been taken was the "anti-lottery bill " The measure is a brief one of but four sections, the most important of which is the first. This specifies that "any person who shall cause to be brought within the United States from abroad, for the purpose of disposing of the same, or deposited in or carried by the mails of the United States, or carried by the mails of the United States, or carried by the mails of the United States, or carried by the mails of the United States, or carried by the mails of the United States, or carried by the mails of the United States, or instrument purporting to be or represent a ticket chance, share or interest in or dependent upon hot or chance or shall cause any advertisement of such lottery, so-called gift concert, or similar en-terprise offering prizes dependent upon lot or chance or shall cause any advertisement of such lottery, so-called gift concert, or similar en-terprise offering prizes dependent upon lot or chance or the United States or transferred from one state to another in the same, shall be punish-able in the first offense by imprisonment for no more than two years or by a fine of no more than §1,006, or both, and in the second and after offenses by such imprisonment conly. measure is a brief one of but four sections the

\$40,000 FIRE.

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Nearly De-

stroyed. A special cable from Port of Spain, Trinl dad, says: "The city has narrowly missed total destruction by fire. The loss will amount to nearly \$4,000,000, the chief busiamount to nearly \$4,000,000, the chief busi-ness section having been the center of con-flagration. Nearly twenty thousand people would have been made homeless if it had not been for the assistance given by the United States North Atlantic squadron and H. M. S. Buzzard, in extinguishing the flames. The facilities for fighting fire are very un-satisfactory, and the people are very indo-lent. The Maravet water works which lie several miles distant, are ample for ordinary purposes, but they are not sufficient for a great emergency.

Mrs. Vanderbilt Divorced.

PROMINENT PEOPLE.

QUIES VICTORIA Is something of a hypo-FREE, DOUBLASS, for twenty-one years a Tun Buttan of Turkey has sent a fine Da-

Fairter, Dan Herrow, the distinguished refer on financial topics, died, a few days new, is a hospitul at Washington, D. C.

Ca. Sortemets again livised Prince Bismarch readys only a feer deputations on April 1, a fortholay, and to must the others on sub-

Then late M. de Olers, Russian Minister for vulue Affair, was a Lutheran, and was de-caded from a swerich family settled in Po-mit. His public service enhanced over a wheel of fifty years.

Load Weaterny's great claim to the re-pect of the British army is that to has sever offered a defeat. Like Lord Napler, in the Cysanian way, he went through the Soulan augustion without a single reverse.

Cruce A. Statioway, who was elected as a Repairlean to the max House of Representa-tives as the ancessary of Henry W. Bart, of New Hampshire, has come out for silver. Ho is the only menter of the New England del-cration who has yet taken that stand.

E. N. Monnutz, the Governor of Kansas, is one of the few survivors of theory who fig-ured in the exciting Territorial politics of Kansas. Thirty-seven years ago he was a member of the Free State Legislature which ashchited the Lecompton condition. The Governor-General of Canada, Lord Aberdeta, has offered to provide for the main-tenance of the late Sir John Thompson's two a us will such these as they will be able to bob after themseives. The late Premier of Canada lett an estate of lass than \$10,000. E. N. Monnitz, the Governor of Kausee, is

The Dushes of Devinehirs is mistress of client magnificem country scats and town houses in England, a chatena in France, a vith at the filviers, and has a daughter mar-ried to a man who beam three dukedoms-Hamilton, Brandon and Chatelherault, She herself has been twice led to the altar by a Duke, Her ducal record is thus quite unique. Arrest Commun. Direc, Her ducat record is thus quite unique. ALTERIS CRIBULIA, whose "Stephanic Ga-votte" has been played in almost every coun-try in the world, died of apoplexy recently in Vienna. He was born in Hungary, and began his transfel enver as an infinit phe-nomenon, playing for several seasons in Southern Russis, He wrote "Amorita," and the waits, "Love D Dream After the Ball," which is still popular. Cribulka was only afty-four years old. A Bank

Dangerous Check Raising. The Union Pacific pay car, on its westward trip, was followed by a gang of expert check reasers, who bought the small checks of the workmen and raised them to large sums, cashing them in the cities along the line. The company has been defrauded to the extent of several thousand dollars. It is said that the gang has a method of erasing ink with acid which defles the best chemically prepared paper guaranteed to show the slightest pre-sence of acid or other foreign substance. The changes made cannot be detected by means of a powerful glass.

Gas Explosion.

Gas Explosion. At Anderson, Ind., a \$75,000 business block on the Court House Square was blown all over the central part of the city. In the building were the Cohen clothing stores, Prather's shoe store, Handley's drug store and a large number of business offices and halls on the upper floor. Fire followed the explusion, which was like an earthquake, and the debris began burning fleresly. The en-tire fire department was called out and pre-vented the fire from resching the new court bouse.

Ship Canals and Naval Defenses.

Ship Canals and Naval Defenses. The canal planned by the Marilime Canal Company, of North America, whose incor-poration was proposed by bills introduced in the last Congress, is to be a water way fol-lowing the Hudson river. Lake Champiain, St. Lawrence and Ningara river route to con-nect the lakes. The practicability of that line and the question whether a possibly greater depth will compensate for its contin-uousness as compared with the direct line from the lakes to the Hudson must be deter-mined by surveys.

Spring Medicine

Is so important that you should be sure to get THE DEST. Hood's Saraapa rills has proven its unequalled merit by its thousands of remarkable curves, and the fact that it has a larger sale than any other sarasparilla or blood puri-fler shows the great confidence the people have in it. In fact it is the Spring Medicine. It curves all blood diseases, builds up the nerves and gives such strength to the whole system that, as one lady puts it, "It seemed to make me anew." If you decide to take Hood's Saraa-

If you decide to take Hood's Sarsa-If you decide to take Hood's Sarsa-I think all nervous, run down people ought to take it, especially nursing mothers." Mns. S. Asnwonrn, Eaton, O.

HOOD'S Sarsaparilla

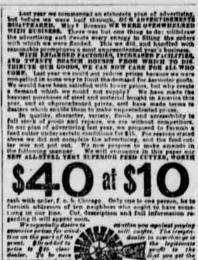
Wanted to Use It.

"John," said the man who had been abused by the newspaper, "will you be using your football suit to-morrow?" "Why, of course," replied his son. "Well, hurry up and get through with it. I'm going over to demand satisfaction of the editor, and I think maybe it'll be a good idea for me to wear it."-Exchange.

Considerate. Tenant-See here! That flat you rented to me is full of cockronches. Agent-That's all right. We never claim anything left over by a former tenant .-- New York World.

Failure. AN INVESTIGATION DEMANDED.

A general banking business is done by the human system, because the blood de-posits in its vaults whatever wealth we may gain from day to day. This wealth is laid up against "a rainy day" as a reserve fund —we're in a condition of healthy prosperity if we have laid away sufficient capital to draw upon in the hour of our greatest need. There is danger in getting thin, because it's a sign of letting down in health. To gain in blood is nearly always to gain in *whole-some* flesh. The odds are in favor of the germs of consumption, grip, or pneumonia, if our liver be inactive and our blood im-pure, or if our flesh be reduced below a *healthy standard*. What is required is an increase in our germ fighting strength. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery enriches the blood and makes it wholesome, stops the waste of tissue and at the same time builds up the strength. A medicine which will rid the blood of its poisons, cleanse and invigorate the great organs of the body, vitalize the system, thrill the whole being with new energy and make permanent work of it, is surely a remedy of great value. But when we make a positive statement that of per cent. of all cases of consumption can, if taken in the early stages of the disease, be composited the *Discovery*, "It seems like a bold assertion. All Dr. Pierce asks is that you make a thorough investigation and satisfy yourself of the truth of his assertion. By sending to the World's Dispensary Med. you make a thorough investigation and satisfy yourself of the truth of his assertion. By sending to the World's Dispensary Med-ical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., you can get a free book with the names, addresses and photographs of a large number of those cured of throat, bronchial and lung diseases, as well as of skin and scrofulous affections by the "Golden Medical Discovery." They also publish a book of 160 pages, being a medical treatise on consumption, bronchitts, asthma, catarth, which will be mailed on receipt of address and six cents in stamps.



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durant Chanter L. Britsher, of the United Since Darriet Court for the Eastern District of New York, has desided to resign, as he had alway: contemplated doing when he runched the age of strengty. He is now seventy-me. He was appointed by President Linearin in 1955.

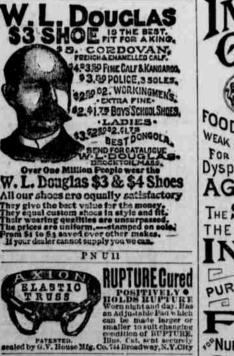
Mass Monrow, sister of the Beeretary of Arriculture, is the only person prominently examented with the Administration who is able to talk French to members of the Diplo-matic Corps. She lost her fortune indersing notes of another brother, and was compelled to open a girl's school in Distroit.



Big dinner last night? It was, indeed Plenty to drink, too? Well, I should say so. Headache in consequen Oh, no. How do you manage it?

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Mrs. Vanderbilt Divorced. Justice Barrett, of New York, issued a de-rece of absolute divorce in the suit of Mrs. Aiva E. Vanderbilt against William K. Van-derbilt. The decree awards the custody of the children to Mrs. Vanderbilt, it being pro-vided that they shall be educated in the united States. It is said that the break between Mr. and Mrs. Vanderbilt camo at the close of the yachting trip on board the Vallant last summer, during which, it is alleged, Mrs. Vanderbilt was subjected to indignities in the presence of their friends that made it impossible longer to defor action. It his Neustretter were so openly paraded by with the purpose of forcing his wife to assert that prior to this yateling trip his be-havior toward Mrs. Vanderbilt's friends assert that prior to this yateling trip his be-havior toward Mrs. Vanderbilt had always be conducted himself in an exemplary manner. They assert that he had no affec-tion for Mrs. Neustretter and was in no sense lastimet dry benend.

Spain's Demand.

Capt.-Gonoral Calleja has demanded the recall of the American consul general at Havana. At a Spanish cabinet council it was agreed to support the demand. The consul general is Ramon O. Williams of New York.

One of the Chinese generals in the Shan Tung province was beheaded by his soldiers for attempting to suppress pillage. Similar troubles are reported at Hanan and Lino-Yang, near Moukden. February a Becord Breaker. Weather Observer O. D. Stewart, of Pitts-burgh, issued his report for the month of February, and it is a record breaker. There was only 14 days when the temperature got above freezing, and for four consecutive days it ranged from 2 to 6 degrees below zero. There was only six days that the tempera-ture got above 40. The loss in temperature for the month was 205 degrees. It is the coldest February since 1877.

The George W. Bush & Sons company, coal and lumber dealers; Philadelphia and Wil-mington, Del., has gone into the hands of a receiver. Liabilities, \$250,000, assets about \$450,0.0.

Just What He Needed.

An old woman of a thrifty turn of mind lives in a village far away from any town. Some time ago her husband lay very ill and the doctor had said that he had not more than a week to live. The old lady had to go to town to have her husband's mdicine put up, and thinking it would save her a second long journey, she took the opportunity of buying the cake and wine for the apparently inevitable funeral. On her return her dying husband interrogated her thus:

"What did ye get in th' toon, 'umman?"

"I got yer medicine made up." "An' what else?" inquired the invalid.

"Weel," hesitatingly, "as it's sae far to toon I thocht I micht as weel buy the cake and wine for the funeral." "Gie's a taste, lass."

She cut a piece of cake and gave him a glass of wine. He liked them so much that he asked for more, and finally con-suming all the cake and wine he-recovered.

Killed for a Dollar.

John Brown's Fort.

John Brown's Fort. The Baltimore and Ohio Baliroad Com-pany, which, in making its extensive im-provements at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., took the land npon which is the old landmark and place of historic interest, the John Brown fort, is erecting a monument to mark the spot. The monument is of native marble, and stands twenty-five feet high, on a base eight feet square. The shaft and base are rough hewn and artistic, and the base bears the in-scription, "John Brown's Fort."

February a Record Breaker.

Jim Nutt Bound Over.

Jim Nuit Bourd Over. James W. Nuit, who made a murderous as-sault on Mrs. Jessie Fayton and Leonard Colnan in Atchison three weeks ago, had his primary bearing and was bound over for trial in the district court. His boad was fixed at \$10,000 in Colnan's case. Mrs. Fayton was mable to appear in court, and Nuit will have a hearing in her case as soon as she recovers sufficiently to give her testimony.

Japan's Treaty Ratified.

Japan's Treaty Ratified. The Emperor of Japan has formally exe-cuted the ratification of the new treasity with the United States, and the document has just been forwarded. It is expected to arrive here March 20, and the ceremony of exchange ratifications will be held shority after. Fre-sident Cleveland's ratification in behalf of the United States is expected to reach Japan about the same time.

Killed for a Dollar. A fatal quarrel took place at Jumbo, a mining settlement near, McDonaid, Pa-which resulted in murder. Frank Mose-by, who lives at Jumbo, owed his cous-in. Robert Moseby. who lives at Walkers Mills, \$1. It seems that Robert came to Jumbo and demanded that Frank give him his money, which Frank positively declined to do. This so angered Robert that he de-ilborative shot his cousin through the temple, killing him almost instantly. The murderer then took to the hills and eluded capture.

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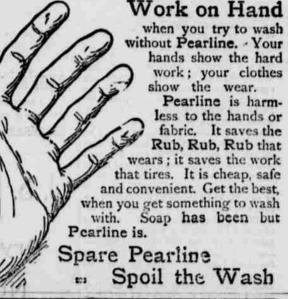
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"Don't Put Off Till Tomorrow the Duties of To-day." Buy a Cake of SAPOLIO

Beed Grain for Nebraska. The members of the state relisf commission who went to Chickgo and St. Louis to secure seed and grain to: Nouraska's destitute far-mers, returned to Omaba. The boards of both cities promise to have each county in Missouri and lilinois donate a car of seed grain. Iowa, Minnesota and Indiana also desire to contribute. The commission esti-mates that to plant the land will require 15,-000,000 bushels.

An epidemie of influenza is raging in Ber-