

LARGES.

Life gave me once a little perfect hour. And then, repenting of the mood that spent...

An Interruption.

By The Captain.

In spite of the fact that it was a very, very hot morning in August, Mr. Howard Danforth—alias John Detch, alias Mortimer Ritter—preferred to saunter up the sunny side of Regent street, London.

As he faced her his longing for a taste of his old life came back. "You are going to luncheon?" he ventured. "At the little place round in Regent street."

"A little, yes. I felt that I could, and yet not altogether. You'll find that the house in Beacon street is being watched. I want to warn you."

THE FIRST AIR BRAKE.

The Youthful Inventor Had Hard Work to Get It Tried.

Persons who should have known better thought Westinghouse visionary when they were told that he proposed to stop a train by air.

Grand, Sweet Song of Burgoe.

Who, except Kentuckians and their favored Southern friends and kinsmen has ever really known the bliss of genuine burgoe? It is a dish of the Olympian revellers, for Homer's banquet, for Nero and Lucullus, for the trenchermen of feudal days and royal roisterings.

THE TRIALS OF THE POOR

RESULTS OF SOCIOLOGICAL STUDIES IN WASHINGTON.

Peculiar Conditions of Living at the National Capital—Investigation Conducted by S. E. Forman for the Bureau of Labor—Details of Domestic Economy in Typical Cases—First Care to Be Well Fed—Rent, Clothing and Miscellaneous Expenses.

The Washington (D. C.) correspondent of the New York Evening Post writes as follows: S. E. Forman has made for the federal bureau of labor an inquiry into "the conditions of living which prevail among the poor of the District of Columbia."

This investigation, however, has value as showing living conditions in the capital of the richest country in the world, where, except for the minor chores of government, retail shop-keeping, and a restricted field for artisans, there is practically no opportunity for a man without education to earn a livelihood.

Seven in family—widow and six children of the following ages: 16, 14, 12, nine, seven and two. The mother is a charwoman in the service of the government. Her regular wages are \$20 a month, but her hours of labor permit her to earn some extra money in private families.

Six in family—husband, wife and four children of the following ages: 11, eight, six, and a baby. The husband, a young man, is the only wage-earner and is a tinner. His wages are \$2.50 a day, but he finds it impossible to get regular work.

The most important item in the expense account of the families was found to be food. Whatever their other expenses were, it was ascertained that they bought and consumed a great variety of food products.

cake and candy. These, however, might be said to be extreme cases. As a rule the amount of nourishment these families received varied with the amount of money spent.

The greater part of the earnings of all of the families studied was expended for something to eat. Their bill of fare was not a restricted one. It included bakers' bread, buns and rolls, beefsteak, sausage, chicken, canned lobster, canned salmon, stewed beef, roast beef, corned beef, fish, pork chops, steaks (sirloin and round), veal, fresh fruit, including apples, bananas, canteloupes, grapes, lemons, melons, oranges, peaches, pears, prunes, raisins and watermelons.

The item of next importance to food is rent, but with this essential difference: There is a minimum of expense in buying food below which physical requirements do not permit one to go, whereas, when securing shelter, there seems to be no such limit.

Clothing is the next item of expense in point of importance, and the difference in outlay for wearing apparel shown in the budgets was found more pronounced than the variations in rent. One item in the clothing budgets that appears with great regularity was shoes.

Fuel, furniture and insurance make up the other fixed items of expense. The list of miscellaneous expenses is chiefly remarkable for what it doesn't contain. Two of the 19 families receive a penny newspaper with some irregularity, but in most of these families such a thing as a newspaper or magazine is seldom seen.

An inquiry into conditions of borrowing among the poor shows that they are "skinned unmercifully by the so-called loan companies." Usurious rates of interest are charged, running as high as 244 percent per annum.

"When I tell my friends that in Alaska during the months of June, July and August we have almost continual sunlight, and that it never gets dark in the summer months, they invariably ask when we sleep," said F. A. Cross, a merchant from Council, Alaska.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

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