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Congress Meekison of Ohio, Hon. David Meekison is well known net by in the over State bet known net were a He was elected to the Effty-the Congress by a very large majority, d is the acknowledged leader of his party his section of the State. Only one flaw marred the otherwise com-ite success of this rising statesran. Ca-rch, with its insidious approach and te-rch, with its insidious approach and te-e. For thirty years he way unqueres warrare against this personal enemy. hast Peruna came to the rescue. He ites:

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# NESTOR AMONG CLERKS.

NESTOR AMONG CLERKS. Judge Tomkins Works for Uncle Sam Though Eighty Years Old. The nestor among the clerks at the fension office at Washington is Judge (M. Tomkins, who was appointed to that bureau in 1861 and has served infuncusly since. From a little bu-reau to the largest and most infunction beneficial and has served infunction beneficial and has served infunction beneficial and has seen the Pension office work. Despite his 80 years, he is say a flourishing lawyer in Wisconsin 1861, when he visited Washington in 1861, when he visited Washington is a flourishing lawyer in Wisconsin is the second by Timothy O. We a clerkship on the ground that was a government clerk, '' he aving soes, and Mr. Tomkins has provide be interesting to study if at isos far, always a government clerk, '' he say ing soes, and Mr. Tomkins has prover feit any ambilion to leave the mortable berth to which his old berther berth to which his old berther berth to which his old berther berth to which and his old the second berther berth to which his old berther berth to which his old berther berth to which and his old the second berther berth to which his old berther berth to which his berther berther berth to which his berther berther berth to which his berther berther berther berther berth to which his berther berther berther berth to which his berther berthe

comfortable berth to which his old friend appointed him. Old Candiesticks High. With the increasing demand for an-function of past generations is be-oming exhausted, and the prices of penuine pieces are waiting higher and higher. Old candiesticks, for exam-ple, that have had such continuous popularity, are scare, and good spec-time the second second second second popularity, are scare, and good spec-time the second second second second popularity, are scare, and good spec-time sell for almost any price that the dealer feels disposed to charge. To tell old brass, copper or pewter from the modern imitation requires per ads are smuch in color, its chade depending upon the proportion of cop-per and sine used in its composition, and also on the hue of the copper em-ployed. Copper itself assumes a va-riety of complexions. The old Span-ish and Russian copper and brass are to the peuliarly rich in color and re-tain their polish longer than others, in the old pleces there is silkiness of tow. This is partly due, it is said, in som cases, such as pots, kettles and fre-boxes, the action of heat may be responsible, in part at least, for this quality. Colonial furnishings collectors.

toollectors. Twain and the King. The father of Miss Louise Forss-fund, author of "The Ship of Dreams." knew Mark Twain in the days of the gold fever in California. Twain was then a "young newspaper man named Glemens," and as the men drifted apart the acquaintance was never fol-lowed up. Mr. Forsslund modestly disclaimed any further knowledge of the now world-famed humorist. Mark Twain himself is less diffident, as a story is now going its second round of the English papers testifies. Dur-ing Twain's residence in England he was taxed in what seemed to him an unjustifiable instance. Accordingly he wrote a friendly protest to the Queen. "I don't know you," he write, "but I've met your son. He was at the head of a procession in the Strand, and I was on a 'bus."





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John Goff is a resident of Crawfords-ville. At least, when he speaks of "home" in that fashion peculiar to the men who have gone into the wilderness of the West, he refers to the little cot-tage nestled away among the syca-more trees that line a lonesome, half-neglected byway of the old Hoosier town.

It is now nearly twenty years since John Göf set his face toward the West, and, with a determination to repair the lost fortunes of the family, made his way into the very heart of the Rocky Mountains. Goff spent his boyhood days near Ladoga, a little village scarcely half a dozen milles away from Crawfordsville. Here there are half a hundred peopse finlabiling, the countryside who yet remember the sturdy young man when he fished in Indiana streams and beat through Indiana words in scarch of game. His father and his grandfather were trap-pers before him, his uncles and his great-uncles were hunters, and his mother had in her veins the resiless blood of the pioneer's wife. In John Goff at traits of the family centred. That is one of the reasons he is se-lected annually to be the companion and the guide of President Roosevelt, for Theodore Roosevelt, hunter, like the men of his kind, loves a man after its own heart. Goff at the age of fifteen had already frough this name prominently before the people of his own neighborhood. He had on this eccasion been sent by his father to the home of a friend. His journey, however, was delayed until darkness had begun to fail, and young Goff, when finally he did put out, found it necessary to make his way through the woods, where already the dark-ness had grown dense. In the course of his trip Goff was set upon by a catanount. The hardy young hunter had only a pocket kilfe to use as a weapon of defense. Never-theless, he whipped this form his pocket, and prepared to fight for his life. The beast, as Goff maneuvred to avoerhangin limb, and striking guara-yu pon the lad's bact, buried its claws in his neek. Moff, although hampered in all his movements by the bury form of the aminal, and sick with the pain caused by the claws and teeth ripping through his flosh, finally succeed in sinking the blade of the little weapon into the at head failen in the dead from his back. After a struggle continuing for thirty minutes, the lad finished the cat-amount, and half dead from his sor

suer, and either of them sure to cut him in two if he slackened his pace or fell!

But just as he was about to sink a man came in who had sense enough to run to the engineer and tell him to shut down the motive power of the whole establishment. The engineer did whole establishment. The engineso, and the great knives slowed The exhausted man had then to The exhausted man had then to we closely and move at a slower slower pace himself, in order to himself still between the two kn This continued until the machinery This continued until the machinery come to a dead stop. Sapiro san a dead faint on the bottom of the --totally exhausted, but unhart.

## His Narrow Priso

-totally exhausted, put unhurt, HIs Narrow Prison. In old times prisoners were some-times confined in cells that gave them ino room, either to stand upright or to lie at full length. A more distressing experience, although happily it did not last very long, befell an old plains-man, who tells the story in the Los Angeles Times. On a nipping zero day in February he started from a Mon-tana ranch in pursuit of buffalo. "I must have gone thirty miles at least before sighting my game, four cow buffaloes and one bull. I got them all, and then, giving my horse his head, I undertook to skin the buffaloes, but it was new work for me and slow. It be-gan to get dark by the time I had finished the job, and when I looked around there was no horse in sight. "I concluded then that I would have to walk back to the ranch; but I dis-liked to leave the hides, and it was cloudy and never a star to show me my course. After studying the to be rathing purposes. The hides were so limp that they conformed well to the shape of my body, and the comfortable feeling of being warm soon put me to sleep. "When I awoke aud tried to stretch and turn over I found it was inpossi-ble. I tried to move my arms, but that was no more to be done than if I had been bound and rebound with rope. I had rolled myself up in two green hides and they had frozen hard, mak-ing me a prisoner. "The idea of cutting my way out with a knike occurred to me, but try as I might I couid not reach my pocket. It was like being tied to a plank. "When it direction I had taken, but

It was like being tied to a plank. "When would relief get to me, or would it come at all? The boys knew about what direction I had taken, but they might not be alarmed enough to start out and look me up in time. Then it was getting dusk again, and another night of torture was before me. Could

It was getting uusk again, and another night of torture was before me. Could I endure it and live? "Suddenly I thought I heard voicea. Then came the tramp of horses' feet, and soon I was shouting and being answered. The fellow's could not find me at first, but following the sound of my voice, traced me and took in the situation at a glance. They pulled grass and piled it on each side of me, set it aftre, and in a quarter of an hour my prison walls were thawed apart. But the boys had to rub me a long time before I was able to stand up."

## Darc-Devil Workme

Dare-Devit Workmen. "I remember," said a bridge con-tractor some time ago while on the subject of workmen's dare-deviltries, "when working at the big bridge across the Niagara. When the two cantilever airms had approached within fifty feet of each other a keen rivalry as to who should be the first to cross sprang up among the men. A long plank con-meticed ther a keen rivalry as to who should be the first to cross sprang up among the men. A long plank con-meticed ther a keen rivalry as to who should be the first to cross the one should attempt to cross the plank upon penalty of instant dismis-sal. At the noon hou, I suddenly heard a great shout from the men, who were all starting up. Raising my cyses I saw a man step on the end of that plank, stop a minute and look down into the whichpool below. I knew he was going to cross, and I shouted to him, but he was too high up to hear. "Deliberately he walked out until he reached the middle of the plank. It sagged far down with his weight until 1 could see light between the two short supporting ends and the eartilevers on which they rested. He saw the end in front of him do this, hesitated and looked back to see how the other end was. I thought he was going to trum. He stopped, grasped both edges of the plank with his hands, and, throwing his feet up, stood on his head, kicking his legs in the zir, cracking his heels together and yelling to the terrified onlookers. This he did for about a minuite--it seemed to me like fory. Then he let his feet drop down, stood up, wave his hat and trotted along the plank to the other side, slid down one of the braces hand over hand and regalmed the ground. We discharged him of course, but what did he care? He got all the glory, his fellows envied him and he could command work any-where."-Cassler's Magazine. Why Untruths are like files--they <text><text><text><text><text><text>

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A Public Forest for Germans. Emperor William, of Germany, car-rying out his purpose of converting the Grunewald into a vast pleasure ground for the use of the inhabitants of Berlin, has approved plans for new roads, playsgrounds, pienickers' glades ind restaurants in the forest. One of the Emperor's objects is to encourage outdoor athletics. The forest contains 11,550 agres. It is a royal hunting preserve but the foresters are now killing off the deer and wild boar there.

there. Found Ring in a Fish. Henry Buermann, of New York, found what he says is a solid gold wedding ring in the stomach of a fish. Buermann, who has a cafe at No. 8 Barclay street, stopped at a Front street fish store and bought a half of a 16-pound cod. The cod had come from Boston on the Bay State cold storage car the night before, and was already nicely cleaned. But when he ring imbedded in the ribs. The ring is more than a quarter of an inch in breadth, and bears the inscription, "Lew to Lou, '89."

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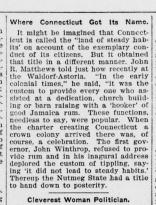
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to hand down to posterity. Cleverest Woman Politician. Miss J. N. Strong, private secretary to ex-Congressman Hawley, of Texas, is credited with being the cleverest female politician ever seen in Wash-ington. She is conversant with every county in Texas, knows every man of prominence in the State and attends to nearly all details of Federal pat-ronage there. It is related of her that she once went to see a Cabinet Minister in regard to a place for a Texas constituent. The official was not disposed to give the place to her applicant, but in a pleasant and court-cous manner said: "I am sorry to disappoint you after looking into such pretty eyes." "It seems to me, then," was the quick answer, "that the eyes ought to have it." The Cabinet of-ficer was so pleased with the retort that he made the appointment. Price of White Star Line.

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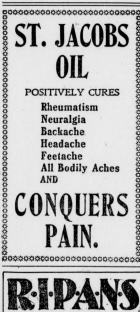
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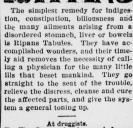
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Odd Sunday Law in Scotland. As an instance of the observance of the Sabbath in Scotland an Eng-lish paper tells of a postman having a route between Stirling and Blaird-rummond. He was observed to ride a bicycle over his six pilles on week days and to walk the same distance on Sunday, and when asked why, re-plied that he was not allowed 'o uso the machine on Sunday. An investi-gation followed, and the postman's explanation proved to be correct.

Chicago Through British Glasses

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