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Chairman Jones of the Democrat le National Committee now talks of regulating trusts rather than smash-

The difficulties which surround the men who are trying to frame legislation to regulate trusts are ilinstrated by the fact that the British government, with its strong contralization, finds it impossible to draft legislation to control trusts, which are quite as provalent and successful in that country as in the United States.

Democratic spellhinders are now evolving a theory to show the disadvantage of increased wages. High er wages, they will say, mean, of course, greater cost of production and necessitate a higher charge for manufactured articles, and the farmer is therefore compelled to mortgage his farm to buy silk hats and rosewood hayrakes.

Mr. Bryan will please make a note for use in his eastern converting tour, that on January 2d of the new year the wages of 25,000 Pittsburg steel and glass operatives were advanced five and ten per cent., and in some cases even more, Under Mr. Bryans method this can doubtless be explained into a misfortune.

veil their attacks upon the protective government, which is paid for intethousands of factories and given employment and better wages to several million American workingmen, conditions of trusts in Great Britian

The reciprocity treaties which policies. under the Me Kinley administration and are now before the Senate will, if ratified by the foreign governments as well as our own, increase very guestly the exportation of farm products, their principal object having been to obtain reduced tariff rates on articles of agricultural productions, both in European countries and in the West Indian islands with which they have been negotiating.

The action of the administration in bringing about an "open door" agreement among the nations with reference to our commerce with China has awakened general interest in our trade with the Orient and its prospective development, and 78 Pike Street, Port Jervis, N. many leading men in the Democratic party, both North and South, are cordially commending the course of the Government in its efforts to develop our foreign trade in that part of the world.

Some of the western railroads are complaining that, after their making great efforts to secure adequate transportation, the farmers are holding their grain instead of shipping it. This is interesting when it is recalled that a few years ago the farmers were not able to hold their crops until prices suited them, but were forced to sell at the earliest possible moment to enable them to pay their debts incurred under Democratic rule. The farmers are enjoying their share of the present good times.

The talk about "oppressing" the Pilipinos and denying them freedom and justice is along the line of the fulminations of a certain class during the Civil War, who constantly asked whether the United States should subjugate the South and hold its free people as vassals. The Confederate States were subjugated; forced to submit to the sovereignty of the l'usen, but the people of those States are not now vasants or oppressed. Oppression under the Stars and Stripes is only a phrase for demagogues.

The greater part of the present veek will be devoted by the Roberts committee to hearing legal arguments. Ex-Secretary Carlisle, leadng counsel against Roberts, began ils argument to day and he has until Wednesday to finish it. Then Roberts will be given an opportunity to reply, although he has already conamed two days in argument, which may be summed up in a sentence The house has no right to deny him the sext. The Committee may report late this week, but it is more likely to wait until next week.

The routine work of Congress, such as the preparation of appropriation bills, etc., is much more rapidly do e than it used to be. For instance, the House committee on Indian affairs, under the old method, when the time came for getting the annual appropriation bill in shape, would equest the Indian Commissioner and several of his subordinates to come to the Capitot; then questions were certain to be asked that could not be answered without consulting the records, and much time was lost. Now, the committee meets in a room at the Indian Bureau, gets all the information it requires from the records direct and gets the bill, which is a troublesome one, ready in about one-fourth the time it used to re-

The Democratic attempt to play politics with the relations between the U. S. Tressury and those Nation al Banks chosen not by favoritism. but because they put up U. S. bon s to secure the government from loss, as depositories for money collected for luternal revenue taxation, was one of the flatest fallures ever iscenit Congress. Instead of delaying action on the resolutions calling for a ! the correspondence between the National Banks and the Secretary C Treasury, as the Democrats we o foolish enough to hope they would do, the Republicans in both House and Senate assisted in putting the resolutions through, and Secretary Gage promptly put a force of clerks to copy ing the records, in order that no timmight be lost in putting the information before Congress and the coun try. Instead of being opposed to furnishing this information, Secre tary Gage was glad of being furnished on official opportunity for showinexactly how and why he had taken the necessary steps to keep the mon The effort of the free-traders to ey in circulation, without risk to the tariff, which has brought activity to mal revenue taxes, instead of hoarding in the Treasury and cramping the business of the country. Instead under the guise of an anti-trust of making democratic political capicrusade in the coming campaign will tal, the Democrats have added to not succeed. All that is necessary the esteem in which the administrato do is to point to the flourishing tion is held by the business Interests well known as the home of free of the country, which knows that our present prosperity Isn't accidental, but the result of well-defined



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THE MIND OF A MAID

CHARACTERS. Margot Carpentar A young lady Reginald Oldercheek Oldercheek A young gentleman Scene Margota boudoir, afterwards Woodchester High Road, and after-wards Margot's bedroom,

Margot had no very particular reason for refusing the young gentleman who was so desirous of being her Reggle. Yet had she spoken that fatal monosyliable which has struck cold to the hearts of sultors since the days of the

stope age.

Margot looked at her rings, and her Margot looked at her rings, and her face assumed an expression that was meant to represent a compassionate negative. The shake of her head was intended to imply sympathy with Mr. Oldercheck's feelings; the tap of her little foot gave him to understand that no amount of imploring on his part would affect her decicion. It was not her first retusal. Already she had said a fat one of 40 "nay"; already she had turned her heel on the obese man's thousands, his dog-curt, his high-stepping horse, and his unlimited expectations. So, in a manner, she was an experienced maiden, and so when Reginald proposed to her she did not fluter and blush to any great extent, altitle.

Heginald Oldercheck was not wise to repose at 10:30 in the morning. I do not intend to discuss the hour at which a man may most prudently suggest matrimony to the lady of his choice; I will limit myself to the statement that 10:30 a. m. is certainly not that hour.

With considerable trepidation, cleany shaved, irreproachably clad, but, as regards his inner man, very vacant (for he had esten no breakfast), Mr. Oldercheek was shown into the draw-ng-room, where, being too nervous to sit down, he toured the apartment, gazat down, he toured the apartment, gazing at the pictures (but not taking
in their merits to any appreciable extent) and looking out of the windows
(without observing anything therefrom), until indications of Miss Carpenter's approach fell on his ear. For
Margot collected new three-penny bits
bearing interesting initials, and wore
them on a silver bangle, and these in
their jingling generally heralded her
advent.

When she entered, looking, as Reginald could not fall to observe, very fresh and nice, Mr. Oldercheck, scornng prefatory remarks relating to noth-ing, intimated that he would like to marry her. He said it stammeringly, working a button off his waistcoat in working a button on his waistcoat in his agitation, and then started intently it a causeo near by. "I am very sorry," began Margot. "Yes," said Reginald, "I know I've so chance. I know you don't—per-

haps in time was an indiscreet interruption

on Reginald's part, for it made Margot's task the easier,
"Yes, perhaps in time," she returned,
playing with the bangle, !'but—but not

now."

"Do you like me?" demanded Reginald, letting his eyes steal up her form until they reached her neck, but not daring to look her in the face.

"Oh. yes—I like you," she replied, in a tone that Reginald didn't at all relish, "but nothing more—at present."

"Thank you," said Reginald, "Er—good-by!"

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"Thank you," said Reginald. "Er—good-by."

"Good-by, Mr. Oldercheck."

And so Reginald went out into the morning breeze, feeling that at any rate he had broken the lee.

Six months passed away. During that period Mr. Oldercheck proposed five more times to Miss Carpenter, but, to quote a common phrase, to no avail, for on each occasion he suffered what amounted to rejection. Miss Carpenter did not summarily say "No." As Reginald put it to a friend:

"She seem to play about with a chap—doesn't send me clean away, and yet won't have me. I can't make her out, old man."

"Ah!" responded the old man, a sage youth of something under twenty, "women are queer cattle."

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Margot (although she tried hard, ever to hard) couldn't bring herself to feel tny particular longing for that society s a fixture rather than as a movable. For that, after all, is what marriage teans. Men who make extremely on movables often fail altogether as

Stures.
So Margot dilly-dailled with Regiald, and Reginald had not sense
nough to demand a plain reply. Had
to done so, there is little reason to
suppose that it would have been other
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July 1, 1807.

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Nov. 22, 1895.

ALEXANDER HADDEN, President.

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CHAS. J. BOHLEAU,
Dingman Twp.,
May 17, 1888. JOSEPH F. BOILEAU.

Executor's Notice.

MOSES W. VAN GORDEN, Egypt Mills, Pa. Executor Sept. 18, 1889.

Estate of Francis Manley, deceased. In the Orphans, Court deceased. The undersigned "appointed Auditor to make distribution of the funds in hands of J. H. Van Etten, Trustee, as shown by his account and make report to next Term, with the vidence taken before him will attend to the duties of his appointment and much the parties interested in said Estate on Tuesday, the 30th day of January A. D. 1900 at 2 o'clock, p. m., at his office, corner of Ann and Third streets, in the Borough of Milford, Pa, when and where all parties entitled to share in said funds, or who are in any way interested therein, are required to present and prove their claims, or be debarred forever from participating in said funds, or coming in upon the same.

HY. T. BAKER, HY T. BAKER,

Milford, Pa., Dec. 80, 1890

Auditor's Notice.

Estate of In the Orphans' Court of the County of Pike daced Eliwanger of the County of Pike deceased The undersigned "appointed Auditor to make distribution of the funds in hands of Philip Eliwanger. Executor, as shown by his third account and make report to next Term," will attend to the duties of his appointment and meet the parties interested in said estate, on Monday the 29th day of January, A. D. 1900, at 2 o'clock P. M., ot his office, corner of Ann and Third streets, in the Borough of Milford, Pa., when and where all parties entitled to share in said funds, or who are in anyway interested therein, are required to present and prove their claims, or be debarred forever from participating in said funds, or coming in upon the same

HY T. BAKER,
Auditor.

Milford, Pa , Dec. 39th, 1899. Auditor

Jerosha Alice Grey Thuddens E. Grey.

To Thaddens E. Grey defendant:
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