SEMI-ANNUAL CLEARANCE SAL[E]

Starts Saturday Morning

January 4

The merchandise offered for this sale is taken from our regular stock and is dependable [in] every respect; we will guarantee it to be of standard quality.

If we could secure your attention for a time, to tell you of the genuineness of this sale, th[e] extremely low prices that prevail and the dependable merchandise offered you would then b[e] sufficiently interested to visit our store, and we feel certain we could then convince you of th[e] bargains you can obtain for your money.

At this sale we are desirous of cleaning up odd lines, a few garments of a grade, and re[-]mainders from an active fall business, to expedite inventory, it is imperative to dispose of these, and for this reason we have used the cut price knife unsparingly, forgetting all thought of cost, with the one aim, to make a clean sweep.

Special Lot

of Chiffon, Messaline or Net Waists, values to $3.00, a Clean Sweep, at

$1.38

15 Bolts of Mixed Wool and Cotton Suitings and Dress Materials, 25c and 35c values, at

15c per yard

Hose Specials

15c Cotton Fleeced Hose....9c pair
25c Extra Heavy Fleeced....15c
Odd lot of assorted colors pure Lisle Hose....19c pair.

500 yards of Ribbon, assorted widths and all colors, your choice at....5c yard

Ladies' 65c Velvet Fleeced Underwear at

38c garment

All of our Wool and Cotton Munsing Union Suits

At Cost

$1.25 Outing Flannel Gowns on sale at

89c

We have left a few Men's, Ladies' and Children's Sweaters, both in coat Jersey and the popular "Rufneck" styles. These are all sharply reduced in price for quick clearance.

Your choice of any tailored Suit in our house, values to $25.00, to clean up

$9.90

Bargain Extraordinary

15 Ladies' All Wool Dress Skirts, in black, navy, brown and novelties, for a quick clearance, offered you at less than the price of the material. Choice

$1.98

22 Ladies' and Misses Coats

22 Ladies' and Misses Coats. A few styles from last season, but any worth twice the price of

$4.95

Girls' Wool Dresses.

In serges and the popular shepherd checks, values up to $5.90. Special

$1.85

FOR THE MEN

Men's $2.00 Hats, now....$1.00
Men's 35c Wool Gloves....22c
75c Dress Suspenders....35c
50c Heavy Wool Sox....35c
25c Heavy Wool Sox....35c
20c Balbriggan Hose....19c
50c Heavy Suspenders....11c
50c Work Shirts....25c
Canvas Gloves, per pair....5c

BOYS' SPECIALS

Boys' Winter Caps, choice....19c
Boys' Fleeced Underwear....19c
Boys' Shirts, 50c values....19c
Child's All Wool Sweaters....35c
....48c

1000 yards of Gingham and Percale, in stripes, checks and plaids, at

6c per yard

12 patterns of Velour and Flannelette, regular 15c values at, per yard

8c per yard

Neckwear Specials

LOT I—Fancy Collars, to 75c values....25c
LOT II—Lace trimmed Colars and Jabots, 50c values....15c
LOT III—Stocks and Dutch Colars, 25c values at....5c

Ladies' 50c Golf Gloves....39c pair
Pure Wool Newport Knit Shawls, regular price $1.50, now....79c

One Odd Lot of House Dresses in Percale and Nurse's Stripe Gingham, for quick sale

75c

All Woolen Goods in Stock We Offer AT COST

Specials in Shoes

Ladies' Comfort Shoes, rubber heels, Elastic Gores, $2.50 values for....$1.38
Men's House Slippers, all sizes, choice....59c
Children's Shoes, 5 to 12, choice....69c
10 per cent discount on all dress Shoes.

Caplan Brothers

THE WEISER DAILY SIGNA[L]

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PEACE ENVOYS ADJOURNED TO MONDAY

Expected Crisis Was Not Reached Today Owing to Advice of German Embassador.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—Acting on the advice of the German embassador [illegible] the [illegible] of the peace [nego]tiations between the Balkan states [an]d Turkey was not reached today. The meeting, which was expected [to] bring matters to a head, was not [he]ld, but was postponed until Mon[da]y afternoon at 4 o'clock. Whether [th]e embassador was acting on the in[iti]ative of his home government, and [ha]ve assurances of the probability of [Tu]rkey yielding, or [illegible] interested [him]self in a personal way, is not [kn]own. It is stated the request for [th]e delay was made by Reschad [Pa]sha, the Turkish envoy, and it is [be]lieved it was done to prevent the [ca]rrying out of the agreement of the [Ba]lkan envoys to quit the conference [un]less Turkey agreed to at once sur[re]nder Adrianople. The decision to postpone was reached after a confere[nce] [illegible] and the German embassador.

In some circles it is believed the postponement is the first step in the direction of mediation by the powers. Reschad Pasha sent a lengthy code message to Constantinople after the postponement was agreed upon. Daneff and Reschad Pasha lunched together privately today, and it is declared Daneff then tried to convince Pasha that further resistance on the part of the Turkish envoys would be futile.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—It has been learned that Daneff announced at the conclusion of his luncheon with Reschad Pasha that all hopes of peace had vanished and he expected a prompt renewal of hostilities.

[N]OTABLES ATTEND REID FUNERAL

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—President [Ta]ft, members of his cabinet, most [of] the foreign diplomats and many [oth]er notables were present at the [fun]eral of the late Embassador [Whi]telaw Reid, which were held this [mo]rning at the cathedral of St. John, [th]e Divine. [illegible] the public services Dean [illegible] and Bishop Greer [illegible] a service which was private and the family only. [illegible] sent at this service. [illegible] at the public service Bishop Greer, [illegible] Bishop Leonard and [Bish]op Cleveland presided, and [illegible] Boyd Carpenter and Rev. [illegible] Rev. Robbins assisted. [illegible] the petty officers of the United [illegible] battleship Florida served as [illegible] active pall bearers with [illegible] Hewitt accompanying them. At [the] conclusion of the services the body [was] placed on a caisson and taken to Grand Central station under an [esc]ort of marines and sailors. A [det]achment of infantry also accom[pan]ied the remains. A special train [illegible] to Tarrytown, where the [inter]ment will take place in Sleepy Hol[low] cemetery.

[Sa]ilor Appointed Bailey's Successor.

AUSTIN, Tex., Jan. 4.—Today the [Go]vernor of Texas announced the [ap]pointment of Johnson, editor of [th]e Houston Post, as successor to [Sen]ator Bailey. Johnson is the man [wh]o leads the [illegible] as an antipro[gres]sive Democrat and it is supposed [tha]t the Progressives in the legisla[ture] will oppose the confirmation of [Joh]nson.

Selects France's Fair Site.

MEDFORD, Ore., Jan. 4.—Dr. Jean Pulligny, director of the commis[sio]n of the federation of engineers, [illegible] here this morning for San Fran[cisco] to select the site for the re[pub]lic of France at the Panama ex[pos]ition, which is to be held in 1915. [Wh]ile the doctor has been here he [has] been gathering data among the [eng]ineers concerning irrigation.

Occupy Opposite Seats.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—At the Yale [illegible] today of the late Whitelaw Reid, [Taft] and Roosevelt occupied seats di[rect]ly opposite each other while the [illegible] of the St. John cathedral, during the services which seemed [illegible] ignorant of the presence of [each] other and gave their entire atten[tion] to the services.

CRUSADE STARTED TO RAISE BOND

LEAVENWORTH, Kas., Jan. 4.—Laborites who were brought here under sentence from Indianapolis are jubilant over the news of the court's decision that they may be admitted to bail while awaiting the court's decision on the appeal pending. They admit, however, that today's mail has brought no release orders from the court for a single man and in the mean time the measurements for the Bertillon system has been completed and each man has been "mugged" and "razed."

CHICAGO, Jan. 4.—Today a nation-wide crusade has been started to raise the immense sum of $1,750,000 for the bonds required to release the convicted laborites from the federal prison at Leavenworth, Kas. The attorneys for the defense believe that the money will be raised in a few days by the local unions over the country without having to ask assistance from [illegible] parties.

According to the ruling of the court there men may be admitted to bonds and the amount has been set at $10,000 for each year of the time of sentence for each man. At this rate the total bond for the release of all the men comes to the figures quoted above, which amount is now being raised.

Ask for Increased Sum.

BOISE, Jan. 4.—Just now J. U. McPherson, state horticultural inspector, is patting himself on the back because of the good record his department has made during the last two years on cutting expenses. Two years ago the inspector asked the legislature for $40,000. At that time this amount was thought too much and the horticultural department was only given $25,000. It was soon evident that more money was needed and McPherson got busy with the counties and from them and other outside sources secured extra money for carrying on the work. This amounted to [illegible]. At this session of the legislature the horticultural department will probably ask for a $50,000 appropriation because of the immense increase in acreage. This increase has amounted to more than 50,000 acres during the last two years, according to records of the department.

[illegible]

Prince of Wales, Heir to the English Throne, Quite a Golfer

Photo by American Press Association.

THE Prince of Wales, heir to the throne of England, has gone in for golfing. He has become fairly proficient in it. This picture of him was taken recently as he was making a drive. After he has concluded his studies at Oxford the heir apparent will spend some time in sport of this kind and in travel. It is likely that he will come to America in 1916 for a tour of the country.

SULZER SAYS HE IS LEADER

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 4.—Governor William Sulzer said tonight that his election as chief executive made him the Democratic leader of New York. "If any Democrat in the state challenges that leadership," he said, "let him come out in the open and the people will decide."

The governor's statement was made in response to inquiries as to whether Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany hall, had indorsed John N. Carlisle of Watertown and John H. Delaney of Brooklyn, two of the three members of a commission selected by Governor Sulzer to investigate state departments and bureaus.

"I am a Democratic leader of the state; the people decreed it at the polls and I stand on their verdict," said the governor emphatically. "I can't succeed in doing what I want to do as governor unless I am the Democratic leader."

The governor made it clear that he would receive anyone who desired to see him at any time, including Colonel Roosevelt, as head of the Progressive movement; William Barnes, jr., as chairman of the Republican state committee; Charles F. Murphy, as leader of the New York county Democratic organization; J. Pierpont Morgan or Thomas F. Ryan.

"But," he added, "they must see me in the open, the same as any other person."

American Liner Ashore.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—The Hamburg-American liner Amerika, outbound, went ashore this morning off Tompkinsville. The big steamer has a [illegible] of sand and is in no danger. It is expected that tugs will soon have her floated. The Amerika left Hoboken this morning at eight o'clock and was proceeding slowly on account of high wind when the wreck occurred.

Special rates via O. S. L. and U. P. Rys., account Wool Growers' Association, Cheyenne, Wyo. Tickets on sale January 6th, 7th and 8th. See agent for further particulars.

CLAIM GOODING IS NOT ELIGIBLE

BOISE, Jan. 4.—Former Governor Frank R. Gooding is claimed by his opponents to be ineligible to be United States senator, according to the records of the federal court.

Yesterday there were rumors afloat that he was ineligible to serve as senator and investigation discloses the fact that the former governor is a naturalized citizen and was made such on December 31, 1904, a few minutes before the noon hour upon that day. The constitution of the United States provides that no one shall be eligible to serve as a United States senator unless he be a citizen of the United States for at least nine years. Former Governor Gooding will not have been a citizen of the United States for a period of nine years until December 31, 1913. The part of the constitution of the United States which lays down the qualifications of United States senators in section 3, article 1. The third paragraph of the said section is as follows:

"No person shall be a senator who shall not have attained the age of 30 years, and been nine years a citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an inhabitant of that state for which he shall be chosen."

Other candidates for the senate were raising the point around the gathering places of the politicians and capital was made of the fact that Mr. Gooding has not been a naturalized citizen for a period of nine years. Judge James H. Beatty, who was on the federal bench in 1904, granted the naturalization papers to Mr. Gooding. When seen last night former Governor Gooding claimed that capital was being made of the fact that he had not yet had papers and that he has not yet had them for the period provided for by the constitution for the purpose of injuring his candidacy for the senate.

It is admitted that he was naturalized on December 31, 1904, but [illegible]

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STEAMERS COLLIDE AND ONE GOES D[OWN]

First Report of Loss of Life Proves Un[true] —Entire Crew is Said to be Safe.

IDAHO DAIRYMEN IN SESSION

CALDWELL, Jan. 4.—The twelfth annual convention of the Idaho State Dairy association convened here yesterday for a two-days session, with a record-breaking crowd from all parts of the state in attendance and with an exhibition of butter and other dairy products exceeding all past gatherings in recent years. The program for the opening day was replete with interest and closed with an illustrated lecture at the Methodist church tonight.

Friday the association will elect officers and will decide the place of holding the next annual meeting. Several cities are in the field for the honor of entertaining the dairymen next year and the competition is keen. Gooding, Wendell, Idaho Falls and Blackfoot are most prominently mentioned as the 1914 meeting place.

The convention was opened this morning at 10 o'clock with an invocation by Rev. William Hall Cass. Mayor Walter Griffiths formally welcomed the delegates to the city. The address of welcome was responded to by H. J. Young of Twin Falls, president of the association, who in his remarks warmly thanked the city and the different clubs for the interest shown in the convention and declared that the attendance was larger than at any previous gathering on the opening day. The association has grown wonderfully during the last year, he said, and the ultimate goal of the officers is the enrollment of every man identified with the dairy industry in the state of Idaho on the association roster.

J. S. Stinson of Nampa gave an interesting illustrated address in silos. His talk was strikingly illustrated by a miniature silo, shown in minute detail, and its practical uses. A full explanation of an economical method of constructing this necessary farm adjunct was also given. A paper by A. K. Hiser of Salt Lake on silos in the intermountain country was read by E. F. Rhinehart of Boise.

Other interesting papers were read: "Why I Prefer the Guernsey for the Dairy," by H. D. Parker of Greely, Colo.; "Selection of the Dairy Herd," by Professor John T. Caine of Logan, Utah, and "Dairy Farm Economics," by R. D. Hubbard of Boise.

The afternoon session included addresses by E. F. Rhinehart, field dairyman, University of Idaho; E. V. Ellington of the dairy department, University of Idaho; George Caine of Lincoln county, and discussion led by H. C. Watson of Nyssa and A. L. Hulbert of Nampa.

The evening session, held in the Methodist church, was largely attended. An illustrated lecture on sanitation by John F. Nicholson, professor of bacteriology, University of Idaho, was the feature of the evening session. The lecturer, with the aid of slides, strikingly portrayed the dangers that lurk in the unsanitary dairy and offered many simple suggestions whereby they could be entirely eliminated. The day's program was concluded with a humorous reading and several musical selections.

No Secret.

She—Was he furious, dear, when you told him that we had been secretly married? He—Not really furious, only [illegible] Judge.

WASHINGTON, Jan. [illegible] coast cutter Apache has [illegible] Lookenbach, [illegible] distress in Chesapeake bay [illegible] of a collision [illegible] steamer. A wireless [illegible] caught saying the steamer [illegible] and twenty-one drowned. There are [illegible]

WASHINGTON, Jan. [illegible] Apache reports the steamer [illegible] the mouth of the [illegible] [illegible]

BALTIMORE, Jan. [illegible] members of the crew of [the] Lookenbeck were reported [illegible] Chesapeake bay [illegible] a collision with [illegible] Indrakuha.

WASHINGTON, Jan. [illegible] from the steamer [illegible] formed the captain [illegible] wreck. An endeavor [illegible] officer Abel and [illegible] succeeded the attempt [illegible] hulks, but failed. They [illegible] the four boats and [illegible] rescued by the Danish [illegible] steamer. The Indrakuha [illegible] back of some hooked away and [illegible] saved all on board.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 4.—The [illegible] arrived here this afternoon [illegible] officers and crew of the Lookenbeck's crew. [illegible] of the Indrakuha is unknown.

Fire Visits Idaho Town.

KOOSKIA, Jan. 4.—A fire, the cause of which is not definitely known, last night started in Williams' pool hall and practically wiped out the entire business district of the town. The fire was discovered about 11:15 p. m. and it was not until the flames had gained much headway in the pool hall and adjoining buildings. There was a [illegible] ringing to fan the flames and they spread rapidly in a northerly direction. All efforts to check the fire were without avail and the principal business section was obliterated. The losses total $54,000. A dozen buildings burned and a score of business men suffered losses ranging from $1500 down to $200.

James R. Keene Dead.

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—James R. Keene, the financier and horseman, died at 2:16 o'clock this morning at a sanitarium here from the effects of an operation. He was 75 years of age and has been ill for a long time. Born in England, Mr. Keene went to California early in life, got a start as a miner there, and soon afterwards became active in the investment field, making a fortune in stocks. Coming to New York he was a prominent figure in [illegible] more than a quarter of a century. His [illegible] fortune in 1884, but [illegible] another one [illegible] Mr. Keene [illegible] the turf, and his stable [illegible] horses and [illegible]

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The Liberty of the Press.

There never was great love between the Tribune and the Boise Evening Capital News. We always believed, with very good basis for the belief, that the News was prone to err, that it purposely colored straight news matter; that its editorial utterances attempted to mould rather than reflect public opinion. We had and have very little respect for the News because of the politics it espouses. However, we enjoy the friendship of its editor, C. O. Broxon, and to him and his family we extend deep sympathy for the unfortunate predicament in which his association with [illegible] He is in jail at Boise, serving a ten-day sentence for contempt of court. In the same cell are R. S. Sheridan, publisher of the News, and one A. R. Cruzen, political adviser. For Sheridan and Cruzen the Tribune cares little—especially for Cruzen. We believe he was responsible for the error made by Editor Broxon. We believe he dictated or at least inspired the editorial utterances which were adjudged to have been in contempt of court. We believe he alone should have been sentenced to jail.

Newspapers all over the land are commenting freely on the decision in the Capital News contempt case. A majority view the matter rationally and calmly, accepting the opinion of the court that the matter printed in the Capital News was contemptuous, and accepting the inherent right of a court to punish that sort of thing. Other newspapers, however, are howling about "the freedom of the press," [illegible] a fact made more apparent by a careful reading of the court's opinion. Here is an excerpt:

"The liberty of the press is not protected against the publication of deliberate falsehood and misrepresentation in regard to decisions of courts, even though the publishers may think that the public or political interests would be served by such falsehood and misrepresentation. The contention that the public good requires the publication of the news of the day even though such news be malicious, falsehood and slander is without any merit whatever. The public press is not licensed to do evil even under the misapprehension that good may result therefrom. The public press has no more license to publish falsehood and defamation than has a private individual. If there be a sentiment among the people demanding the publication of falsehood and calumny, and charging courts with selling their decisions, it must have been formed very recently from the utterances and publications of yellow journals and muck-raking magazines and violent and depraved agitators who seek to annul the constitution of the United States and the several states, and who have vilified and undertaken to degrade the courts established by the people themselves. But we do not believe there is a public sentiment in this state that demands that the public press make false charges against the courts in order that good may come therefrom or to promote some contemplated reform. It has been universally recognized that injury would flow from unbridled tongues and pens, and by conceding to the courts the power to publish contempts against them generally the people have recognized since the foundation of our government the trustworthiness of the judiciary in vindicating by summary process their own authority and dignity, and not a single instance of the abuse of that inherent power has been called to our attention."

Discourse is still free. But even as America is free, there is a limit to its freedom. The penal code places a ban on murder, on treason, on arson. Journalism's high code of ethics places a ban on libel and slander and contempt of constituted authority. And this is as it should be. The lesson is made easier to understand by the Capital News case.—Pocatello Tribune.

Weather Forecast.

Snow tonight or Sunday. Colder Monday.

PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS

There is more pleasure in finding a dirty 5-cent piece than in earning an honest dollar.

The man who has never had a desire to own an automobile has sufficient self restraint to be trusted with a million dollars.

The atmosphere of hades does not present so many drawbacks to the man who is used to cold storage sermons.

It is said that the devil will get his due—but the "devil" grown into a newspaper man is usually overly modest about asking for that which is coming to him.

A bright intellect is a beacon of light among ignorance.

A woman to make a hit on the stage has got to wear the clothes of a princess—or none at all worth mentioning.

An automobile is no sure sign that a man has money.

It is easier to harness ten horses than one woman.

A woman will take a man's word for anything if it happens to be at a time when she is planning on a new hat.

Of what value is a silver tongue when silence is golden?

THE MONEY TRUST.

By Bob Stanley.

There is no Money Trust, I know, for Miermont Morgan says 'tis so, and when my friend, J. Miermont, tells that no such creature on earth dwells, just take it from me, it's no guff, nor fable, hot air, yarn, nor bluff. J. Miermont knows about such things for he is close to queens and kings, and knows his game from A to Z as well as some are known to me, so there's no use of making fuss about the things unknown to us.

O, no, there is no Money Trust. We, all, were in wrong what we cussed a monster that did not exist. Because it seemed hard to subsist on beans, and good alfalfa hay, we let imagination stray and wander in the byways long, and so have done J. Miermont wrong.

If there just was a Money Trust, my friend, Miermont, with all his dust, would go forthwith behind the scenes and smash the thing to smithereens. He'd never let such creature thrive as long as he had pow'r to drive a bargain in some work of Art, once dear to Dago painter's heart.

Ah! no, there is no Money Trust. We're sorry that we've stormed and fussed, and ground our teeth in sullen rage like men who lived in stony age. We, all, have had enough to eat, and even brogans on our feet. We've had a place to lay our heads, we've rested some on corn-husk beds. We'll rest, however, better now since J. Miermont has told us how the Money Trust is but a dream, brought on by eating hay and cream.

The Spider Man and His Work.

(By Felix J. Koch.)

Latterly word has come from Cincinnati to the effect that paralysis has laid low the famous Ohio spiderman, William Holden of Chicago Hill, who has stored away in his simple home not less than twenty-five thousand different spiders, and who is presumed to know more about these creatures than any single person alive today.

Neatly preserved in countless vials at the Holden home are the spiders. Red spiders, black spiders, brown spiders, green spiders tinier than the smallest pinhead, and others whose fangs alone are thicker than the fingers of the human hand. Poisonous spiders and harmless ones, pretty combinations of irridescent colorings, insects of such sombre hue that the very monk of old would have shuddered to clothe himself in such garments, great hairy creatures that make the shudders run down one's back, and others which are things of beauty, if not joys forever.

While still a boy Mr Holden began the collection of [illegible] insects. Just how he became possessed of the hobby he himself says he does not know. He considers himself, however, a disciple of Dr. S. P. Hildreth of Marietta. At the breaking out of the civil war in which he served as captain and quartermaster, Holden was possessed of a considerable collection, but, during his absence at war, the bulk of the lot was in some way destroyed.

Undaunted, he began once more, and today, his collection is, without doubt, the second finest in the country, and certainly the most extensive collection of spiders in Ohio. While many of the specimens were obtained by exchange, and a very small percentage by purchase, the owner has collected personally in North and in South Carolina, Massachusetts and quite thoroughly over the midland. In fact practically all the specimens are native to the American continent. Quite a number were obtained from the United States survey expeditions of a few years ago to the western territories, and from the Eclipse expedition to the South Pacific islands.

Having hit upon a place which seems to promise a rich harvest, Holden proceeds to sweep the shrub or bough with his net. Then by means of the forceps he picks from out the wriggling mass all those specimens which may prove of value, either to himself or to the other more general collectors, with whom he is in constant exchange. These insects are then thrust into the alcohol, which not only destroys life instantly but prevents the spid[illegible] the spider from shriveling and shrinking, had also preserves the pigments.

The spiders, when assorted, are, of course, preserved in separate vials, and ranging in size from the fraction of a millimeter to two or three inches in length, their pecuniary value to collectors is inestimable.

A Uruguayan specimen, with fangs half an inch long, is the second largest spider on record in this country, being but a little smaller than the famous monster in the museum at Cambridge, which was found on the island of Cuba. Four different varieties of the deadly tarantula were found in the state of Ohio.

While the best classified collection of spiders is undoubtedly that of the National museum, at Washington, other magnificent collections are owned by Nathan Banks, the Washington author; by J. H. Emerson, of Salem, Massachusetts, and by W. H. Fox of Washington, D. C.

Spiders are reputed to be the most observant of all insects. With them the student finds that the loss of a leg is quickly repaired by the growth of another. The web, a feature of the spider species, is made to serve the combined purpose of a trap and a castle.

A female spider will lay, in season, about a thousand eggs. These are enclosed as soon as dry, by a silken bag, which is then fastened by the mother unto herself, so that she may provide for the young until they are self-supporting.

Chilling Prospect.

It was in Lincolnshire, and the guard of the train at the preceding junction had been attentive to a gentleman whose luggage he noticed was labeled to an out of the way little station a few miles beyond. On reaching the traveler's destination the guard, having carefully deposited the gentleman's traps on the platform in acknowledgment of a generous tip, solemnly grasped the donor's hand and feelingly shook it. This unusual move raised the curiosity of the passenger, who asked the meaning of it. The guard answered significantly:

"Well, sir, you never can tell. I have left several gentlemen such as you at this forsaken hole, but never picked one up. Goodness only knows what becomes of them, I don't."—London Telegraph.

Fixing the Guilt.

Following Tim, who was following a pair of horses, the owner of the farm noticed that the drills Tim had been running out for potatoes were strangely irregular.

"Tim," he said, "these drills are very crooked."

"Faith, they are now," assented Tim. "But you should have seen them this mornin' before th' sun warped them."

Stupid.

"I wish I was half as beautiful as Miss Brown," remarked the fair Edith to Mr. Green.

"Well, you are, you know," replied Green thoughtlessly.

Then he wondered why she suddenly rose and left him.

She Could Spend.

He—I am a millionaire. Haven't I money enough for both of us? She—Yes, if you are moderate in your tastes.—New York Sun.

Mind is the partial side of man. The heart is everything. Rivarol.

Mr. Snaggs was accosted on the street the other day by a beggar who was covered with a very remarkable [illegible] and who said:

"Mister, haven't you some old clothes you could give a fellow?"

Snaggs surveyed the beggar from head to foot and then asked:

"Are not the clothes you have on old enough for you?"

A Little Short of Funds.

Mr. Tyte-Phist—More money? What have you done with that dollar I gave you last week? Mrs. Tyte-Phist—That's in the savings bank, but I can't draw the interest on it till next January. I want all that doing to run the house on in the meantime.—Chicago Tribune.

All Settled.

Severe Father—Katherine, what is the meaning of the diamond ring on your finger? Willful Daughter—It means, papa, that Jack has something to ask you that it will do no good to refuse.—Boston Transcript.

A FRIEND IN NEED

Just a Bit of Life as It Cropped Out on a Railway Train.

A TOUCH OF REAL HUMANITY.

The Rough Looking Man Who Proves That His Heart Was Big and In the Right Place and the Shabby but Grateful Foreigner He Befriended.

"Whenever I hear anything news says about 'man's inhumanity to man,'" said a Providence citizen the other day, "I am reminded of a little incident. I was coming back from Boston with a friend on the midnight train, and, getting on board at the Back Bay station, we found a seat near the rear end of the car.

"Soon after the train pulled out I happened to look around and saw the conductor apparently expostulating with a rather shabby looking specimen of humanity who was sitting in the last seat. At first I thought the man was drunk, but as I watched I saw that he was a foreigner who couldn't understand English. He was holding out a crumpled one dollar bill to the conductor and saying 'New York' over and over again.

"Finally the conductor shook his head, said something I couldn't catch and went on. The foreigner, a rather decent looking young fellow, gazed at him despairingly, then buried his face in his hands and began to cry. With the usual callous indifference of the traveling public to the troubles of any one else, I paid no more attention to the man and prepared to take a nap.

"I was just beginning to doze when I became aware that a man was standing beside me in the aisle, speaking to me. I sat up and looked at him. He was a rough appearing man, far from prepossessing, clean shaven, with a sort of bulldog face.

"'Say, gents,' he began, 'I want to know if you wouldn't like to help a feller out.'

"I stiffened instinctively, determined to refuse to let him make a 'touch.'

"'There's a poor young foreigner back there,' he went on with a jerk of his thumb toward the alien, still sitting with bowed head, 'and he's up against it for fair. He can't speak a word of English, and he wants to go to New York, where he has friends.

"'He got the idea somehow he could do it for a dollar, all he's got; but, of course, he can't, and they're going to put him off the train when we get to Providence. It's mighty hard on a feller like him, and there ain't any telling what'll happen to him getting put off in a strange city at 1 o'clock in the morning. I thought maybe you'd be willing to give a little to help him along.'

"He stopped, looked us straight in the eye and smiled sheepishly as if he were ashamed of what he was doing. We gave him a dollar, and he went on through the car, and there were few of the passengers who didn't respond to the appeal. He came back counting the money, and as he got to our seat I heard him say:

"'There's a dollar more needed—I'll make it up myself!' and he pulled out a couple of fifty cent pieces and added them to the amount.

"The conductor and the brakeman were standing at the door of the car near the foreigner's seat.

"'Here,' said the man who had collected the money to the alien; 'give me your dollar.'

"Dumbly, but trustingly, the young fellow handed it over, and, giving it to the conductor with the rest, the bulldog man said gruffly:

"'There's his fare.'

"It slowly dawned on the alien what had been done for him, and as the conductor punched the rebate check and handed it to him the gratitude in his face was indescribable. He couldn't speak, but he took his cap off and bowed again and again to the official, but the latter pointed to the passenger who was sitting in his seat across the aisle and told the youth that he was the one to thank.

"The foreigner crossed the aisle till he stood squarely in front of his benefactor, took off his cap and, with tears of gratitude in his eyes, bowed again and again. It was evident enough that the benefactor was embarrassed by this unexpected outburst. At first he waved his hand around the car to indicate that everybody had had a hand in it. But he couldn't make the foreigner understand. The latter kept on bowing, whereupon the uncomfortable individual in the seat grunted and turned to look out of the window.

"I have never seen," concluded the man who was telling the story, "a kindlier—if I were a girl I should say a sweeter—act of charity in my life. Sitting across the aisle, this hard faced man had heard the story of the foreigner, helpless, alone and frightened, and out of pure goodness of heart, without any necessity for doing it, he had taken upon himself the uncomfortable task of soliciting money from the rest of the people in that car to help out a man he'd never seen before and would probably never see again."—Providence Journal.

The New Star.

"How did you become an actor? I suppose you studied Shakespeare and other masters for many weary hours."

"Not exactly," responded the prominent star. "I became an actor by making a three base hit in a pinch."—Pittsburgh Post.

The best part of beauty is that which no picture can express.—Bacon.

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THE STREETS OF NAPLES.

They Are the Workshops of the People in the Poorer Quarters.

The ancient city of Naples has always been more celebrated for its beauty and interest of its surroundings than for its own attractiveness of [illegible] buildings.

The charm of Naples lies largely in its life, the careless, open air life of its people, with much of it passed almost wholly out of doors under the eyes of the passerby. The Neapolitan is the most buoyant, light hearted creature in the world and, it must be added, about the most indolent. The streets are bright and moving pictures. Many of the people, men, women and children—when these latter are not innocent of any clothing—are garbed in strange and somewhat gaudy costumes with bright colored kerchiefs on their heads.

In the poorer and more populous quarters all handicrafts and occupations are carried on out of doors, and the streets are as busy as beehives. Tailors are seen at their work, and carvers of lava, tortoise shell and coral articles, makers of statuary, women sewing, cooking and performing all their domestic duties, men, women and children eating, sleeping, chattering, playing, singing, all in the open. There is no cessation to the noise and bustle in the streets from early morning, when the tinkle of goat bells starts the day, until the evening, when countless mandolin players, wandering from house to house, from trattoria to cafe, "singing for their supper" of macaroni and red wine the famous old love songs of Naples and popular operatic airs.

All day long the rattle of wheels, the cracking of whips, the furious shouting of drivers, the jingle of the elaborately decorated harness, the cries of innumerable street hawkers, the playing of military bands as regiments march through the streets, fill the air with a not unpleasant and thoroughly Neapolitan din.—American Travelers' Magazine.

BREVITY APPRECIATED.

Japanese Courtesy Was a Bore to Both Oriental and Englishman.

Oriental courtesy takes up a great deal of time and on that account is not always appreciated in western lands, as is shown in the following extract from Yoshio Markino's book on Englishwomen, "Miss John Bull," in which he says:

"I used to live in Greenwich, and thence I attended to the Japanese naval office in the morning, then in the night school of the Goldsmith institute. It was nearly 11 o'clock every night when I arrived at my diggings. I was deadly tired. The landlord asked me every evening:

"'How were you getting on with your work today?'

"I always answered him every small detail of my work at the office and the school. One day I said to my landlady:

"'Why is your husband giving me such a troublesome question? You see, I often feel too tired to answer.'

"She patted me and said:

"'My poor boy, you need not give him all information of your work. It is our custom to say "How are you getting on?" and if you simply say "All right" that will be quite enough.'

"The next evening the old man put the same question to me. At first I rather hesitated because I thought such an abrupt answer might offend him, but I got courage at last when I saw his wife giving me some signs in her eyes. I shouted loudly, 'All right!' To my surprise, the old man seemed more satisfied than to hear the details.

"Since this event I began to incline to have more friendship with John Bullesses than John Bulls!"

The Good He Did.

"Do you really believe, doctor, that your old medicines really keep anybody alive?" asked the skeptic.

"Surely," returned the doctor. "My prescriptions have kept three druggists and their families alive in this town for twenty years."—Harper's Weekly.

Pretty Long Run.

Dutch Comedian—I played Hamlet once. Chorus—Did you have a long run? Dutch Comedian—About three miles.—Judge.

Not the body, but the soul, strikes the blow in which lies victory.—Mage.

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No. 9, Mail train only	6:00 p. m.
No. 17, Boise-Huntington local (pony)	7:05 p. m.
No. 5, Oregon-Washington express	8:58 p. m.

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No. 18, Oregon-Washington limited	3:25 a. m.
No. 16, Huntington-Boise local (pony)	8:15 a. m.
No. 10, Fast Mail only	12:00 a. m.
No. 18, Huntington-Boise local (pony)	3:15 a. m.
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Effective December 14, 1912.

NO CASTE AT OXFORD.

Duke's Son and Cook's Son Share Alike In Sports and Studies.

Actually there is no university or college in America at which distinctions of birth or wealth count for less than they do at Oxford. There was once a time when there existed a class of "gentlemen commoners"—John Ruskin, I believe, was one of them—who enjoyed special privileges and exemptions.

But that peculiarity has long since been swept away. Not only are the requirements for graduation identical for all comers, but the social life within each college of the university is open on equal terms to every one on the [illegible] "Duke's son" and "cook's son" share alike in sports and studies, and it is personal qualities alone that determine the position an undergraduate holds among his contemporaries.

The late F. W. Walker, for many years so successful as high master of St. Paul's school, was once interviewed by the rather snobbish mother of an intended pupil. "Of course," she said, "you are very particular about the parents of the boys you admit to your school." "Not at all, madam," was the reply. "As long as your son behaves decently and attends to his work we shall not ask any questions about his parents!"

The head of any college at Oxford or Cambridge might have given a similar answer.—London Cor. New York Post.

SILVER PLATING.

An Accident Pointed the Way to the Original Process.

In 1742 Thomas Bolsover, a mechanic of Sheffield, England, discovered the art of silver plating. He was repairing the handle of a knife in which both copper and silver were used. Accidentally the two metals were fused together. Based upon this observation he developed the new process.

Upon a thick ingot of copper was bound by iron wire a thinner ingot of silver. The whole was then heated in a reverberatory furnace until the edges of the silver ingot were observed to begin to melt. The two ingots were then removed from the furnace, and cooled and pickled, cleaned and rolled to the desired thickness. The result was a plate of copper more or less thinly covered with silver on one side.

This was the first Sheffield plate. For fifty years following the copper was plated on one side only and cut edges showed the copper. Later the process was so perfected that no copper was left exposed. All the ter[illegible] of the world was made by this process until electroplating [illegible] Unequaled and [illegible] Popular Mechanics.

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[PU]RELY PERSONAL

Mrs. [illegible] and Miss [illegible] went to [illegible] today to spend Sunday with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Adams and son, Dean, went to Boise today, where the latter will receive medical treatment.

O. M. Harvey, grand master of the I. O. O. F. lodge, went to Parma today on an official business trip. He was accompanied by Mrs. Harvey.

The Misses Dorthy and Lizzie Shaw returned to Boise where they are attending business college, after spending the holidays with relatives in the city.

Clem Dunn of New Meadows passed through Weiser Saturday en route to his home from a few weeks' visit with relatives at Nampa. He is the newsboy on the P. & I. N. railway.

A. L. Rawson, forest ranger of the Brownlee range near Cambridge, arrived in the city Friday to work in the forestry office of this city for a few weeks. He was accompanied by his wife, who will remain during his stay in the city.

Mrs. M. L. Smith and daughter, Miss Hallie of Thornton, who have been visiting for the past two weeks with [illegible] spent Friday in the city the guest at the home of Mrs. Smith's brother, J. W. Smith. They expect to depart Saturday for their home.

P. E. Short of Payette spent [the day] in the city shopping.

[illegible] Brittenham of Midvale transacted business in the city today.

[illegible] Madison of Cambridge transacted business in the city Friday.

[illegible] Kramer has accepted the position of clerk in the Golden Rule [store].

[Miss] Mabel Michael returned Saturday from a week's visit with friends [in] [illegible]ria.

[Born] to Mr. and Mrs. Finn Draper, a ten pound son. Mother and [babe doing] nicely.

[illegible] Long departed Friday evening [for San] Francisco, where he expects [to find] employment.

[illegible] C. McNaught of Lyme, Ore., [is the g]uest of Mrs. W. H. Weaver [in the] city this week.

[Miss J]eanette Houston returned to [her home i]n Salubria where she spent [a few] days with friends.

[illegible] Anderson returned Saturday [to his h]ome at Midvale, after transacting business in the city.

[illegible] Donart of Cambridge was [an] arrival in the city today, [stopping] at the Washington.

[Mr. a]nd Mrs. C. W. Blackwell [came do]wn from McCall Saturday on [a] business and shopping tour.

[Mr. an]d Mrs. Henry Sommercamp [went to] Payette today to visit relatives [and] to look after business affairs.

[illegible] Stoetzel came down from [illegible] today to remain over Sunday [with his] parents, Mr. and Mrs. [illegible]

[A ten] pound girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Hoover Saturday, January 4, at Weiser [illegible]

[Miss A]usta Hawes, who spent the [holidays] with her parents in the city, [returned] Saturday for Crane Creek, [where she] is teaching.

[Miss C]atherine Lynch returned [this af]ternoon to Blackfoot, where [she is teac]hing, after spending the [holidays w]ith her parents.

[Miss A]usten Brizendine has resumed [her] duties at the Morris Sommercamp [Dry] Goods company, after [a]n illness at her home.

[illegible] Kimball returned Friday [f]rom LaGrande, where he [accompani]ed the body of the late M. [illegible] to its final resting place.

[illegible]ttle Cashy of Payette has [accepted th]e position as night operator [at the] telephone office, which was [vac]ated by Miss Ida Halton.

[Mrs. H]arry Huffman and little [daughter] Helen, returned to their [home in] Ontario after a two weeks' [visit with f]riends and relatives in the [city].

[Miss E]thel Werner returned Saturday [to M]idvale, where she is teaching, [after s]pending the holidays with [her parent]s, Mr. and Mrs. J. Daw[illegible]

[illegible] Brundage and brother, [r]eturned today to their [home in] Payette, after a few days' [visit with] their grandmother, Mrs. [illegible] of Riverside.

[Mrs.] L. Smith and daughter, [ret]urned to their home in [illegible] today, after a visit of [two] weeks with William Smith [and her] brothers and her father.

Save the wrappers. 4-8d

A Quiet Wedding.

A quiet wedding took place at the court house Friday afternoon when Probate Judge Galloway united in marriage Miss Pansy Pratt and Walter Cohic, both of this city. The bride, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Pratt, is a talented young lady of this city and is highly esteemed and exceedingly popular among her circle of friends. The groom, who has resided in this city for the last few years, is well known in this vicinity. Their many friends extend to the happy couple congratulations and best wishes for future happiness. Mr. and Mrs. Cohic departed Saturday afternoon for Boise, where they expect to make their future home.

It surely is good bread and the chocolates are fine. 4-8d

Mrs. Wallington Coming.

Mrs. E. W. Wallington, wife of E. W. Wallington, manager of the Hotel Washington, will arrive in the city this evening to remain with her husband. Mrs. Wallington was present at the opening of the Hotel and those who had the pleasure of meeting her will be pleased to have her here again.

Make Sanitary Table Queen, "The Wholesome Loaf," the foundation of your meals. 4-8d

Leaves for Boise.

Senator E. M. Barton left this morning for Boise, where he will be on the ground ready to take up the matters of state that may come before him when the legislature convenes Monday. Representative F. D. Ryan expects to leave in the morning.

It cost's but 5c. It's worth the money. 4-8d

Funeral Held this Morning.

The funeral of Frank Ray, the young man who was killed on the railroad the night of New Year's day, was held this morning from the undertaking parlors of Sommercamp-Cordelle. Rev. H. E. Cullison conducted the services and interment was made in the Weiser cemetery.

The deceased was 20 years of age and was the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Ray of Weiser flat. Besides his father and mother he leaves two brothers, who are both at home. For some time past Frank had been working for a company of cattle buyers on the flat, tending their stock.

The pall bearers were Axe, Hordman, Straighter and Barnette.

Our oven capacity is 4,000 loaves daily. 4-8d

In all good will to the people I make this statement, having been asked so frequently why I walk on crutches. Having been injured by accident in my youth is why I use them. I am not obliged to use them when working, and I am fully capable of doing manual labor equal with other men.

SAM L. HOPPING, Weiser. 1-4-8.

A perfect bread. [illegible]

IN SOCIETY

Weiser's young society people were in full attendance at the Outlook club ball given Friday evening which was the most brilliant social event of the season. The ball room was crowded but everyone was good natured and enjoyed every moment. The social committee of the club had charge of affairs and the success of the delightful occasion was mainly due to its untiring efforts and gracious manner of its members.

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Mrs. Wes Hubbard delightfully entertained the members of the East Side Embroidery Club at her home East of the city, Friday afternoon. The merry party was conveyed to their destination in a hayrack which was driven by Mr. Isaac Leighton. It was a very delightful afternoon for the occasion and every one enjoyed the ride immensely. The time was spent in fancy work and social conversation. The house looked pretty with Christmas decorations. Before taking their departure delicious refreshments were served by the hostess. The invited guests were: Mrs. G. C. Bradley; Misses Bertha and [illegible] Miss. The following members were present: Mesdames Bradshaw, Marple, Leighton, Hitt, Gould, F. Galloway, Ed Harper, Tracy, Schass and M. E. Kimball.

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The card party given by the members of the Catholic church in the old church building, Friday evening, was well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by those present. There were eight tables and the entire evening was spent in playing 500. Miss Ethel Werneth and Mr. Robert Cohic receiving the highest scores were awarded the prizes. At the close of the games suitable refreshments were served.

ORDERS INVENTORY.

Holdings of the Allison Hotel Company are Being Invoiced—Meeting Adjourns Awaiting Completion.

Thursday night a meeting of the Allison Hotel company was held in the Commercial club rooms of the Washington hotel. There were but a few of the stockholders present and nothing of any importance was done with the exception of the ordering of a total invoice of the holdings of the company. This inventory is being taken at the present time and as soon as it is out there will be a general statement of the condition of affairs printed and sent to each of the stockholders, after which a meeting will be called to discuss the future plans and policy of the company.

Ed W. Wallington, who is at this time acting in the capacity of manager of the hotel, may be made the permanent manager of the hotel. There has been nothing of a definite character done in regard to this matter, but in view of his record made while acting in the capacity of assistant manager under the late M. J. Allison, added to hints that have been let fall by some of the heaviest stockholders, it looks as though there is little doubt but that Mr. Wallington will be tendered the situation if he cares to accept it. He has sent for his wife and she is expected here in a short time.

Revival Meetings.

The public is cordially invited to attend the services in the Christian church this evening and over the Lord's day. The subject this evening will be "The Three Worst Bargains in History." Sunday, 11 a. m., "Leather Spectacles;" 7:30 p. m., "Is Jesus the Son of God?" Come and hear these vital subjects discussed. Special music at each service. A ladies' quartet will sing this evening and a male quartet Sunday at 10 a. m. C. E. meeting at 6:30 p. m.

Good Razors Possible.

"There is a very common feeling that there is a certain element of chance in the purchase of a razor. It is sometimes expressed that 'whatever price you pay—you try your luck.' Occasionally one hears of a remarkable razor which holds its edge as if by magic, giving pleasure to its owner every day for half a lifetime, so that he would not part with it for sixpence. So long as it is possible for one razor to be so perfect as a particularly good one it is evident that the hardening as carried out fails to impart the maximum efficiency to the majority. The author believes that it is possible to harden every razor in a gross so that each one shall be truly a duplicate of the best. Whether it would pay to do so is a question which is outside his province."—Shipley N. Brayshaw in Engineering Magazine.

When the [illegible] novel "Trilby," he [illegible] acknowledging himself the author [illegible] till its fate should have been determined. He accordingly, the better to preserve his incognito, sent the manuscript copy by the wife of his attorney to Mr. Colburn. The work, although accepted, was not considered likely to pay extremely well and consequently a trifling sum was given for it. Contrary, however, to Mr. Colburn's anticipations, it ran to three editions.

The ingenious author of "Vivian Grey," then twenty-two years old, having heard of the circumstances, determined to use it to advantage, and accordingly, having arranged his work for publication, he proceeded to find out the honorable gentleman's fair messenger. This he quickly effected and upon a promise of giving her £20 induced her to be the bearer of his novel to the same publisher.

The woman was instantly recognized by Mr. Colburn as the same person who brought him "Tremaine," and, recollecting the great sale of that novel, he leaped at the manuscript presented to him with the utmost eagerness. It was quickly read and a handsome sum given for the copyright. A short time, however, enabled Mr. Colburn to find out his error, but too late to remedy himself. The work was not successful, and a considerable sum was lost by the publication.

TRAPPING AN ERMINE.

One of the Reasons Why the Prized Fur Is So Costly.

"This stole of imperial ermine is worth $1,000," said the dealer. "Dear? Nix. Just consider how the animals comprised in it were caught!

"In the first place, they were caught in a winter of extreme cold, for it is only in such a winter that the weasel, or ermine, turns from tawny to snow white. In normal winters the ermine only turns to a greenish white, like this $400 greenish white stole here.

"In the second place, the ermines were caught young, for when fully developed their coats are coarse and stiff, as is this $250 stole, and to catch them young the tongue trap must be used. Any other trap would tear the delicate fur.

"The tongue trap is a knife, an ordinary hunting knife, smeared with grease, that the hunter lays in the snow. The little ermine sees the blade, which it mistakes for ice. Ice it loves to lick, and so it licks the knife blade and is caught fast, its tongue, in that zero weather, frozen to the steel.

"Yes, sir, when you see a stole like this don't begrudge a good price for it, for every ermine in it was tongue trapped in subzero weather—a mighty slow and painful hand process."—New York Tribune.

The Blanket Tree.

Blankets grow on trees in Ecuador, and, while the idea of an all wood fresh from the forest bed covering might give insomnia and a backache to the child of civilization who likes to snuggle comfortably under several layers of down and wool, the natives find it all right, as in fact it is.

When an Ecuador Indian wants a blanket he hunts up a demajagua tree and cuts from it a five or six foot section of the peculiarly soft, thick bark. This is dampened and beaten until the flexibility of the sheet is much increased. The rough gray exterior is next peeled off, and the sheet dried in the sun. The result is a blanket, soft, light and fairly warm, of an attractive cream color. It may be rolled into a compact bundle without hurt and with ordinary usage will last for several years.—Harper's.

Butterflies That Live on Fish.

The butterfly was blue and transparent. As through blue glass its tiny heart could be seen beating inside its body, and the professor read a newspaper article through its lovely blue wings. "This," he said, "is the pteropoda, a Mediterranean butterfly. It eats fish. On its tongue are rows of pointed hooks. They serve as teeth. This beautiful creature would turn up its nose at a garden of roses and lilies, but it would feast delightedly upon a putrid eel. Now and then a pteropoda is found on the Florida or the California coast. It is only abundant, though, in the Mediterranean."

Ancient and Modern.

Mr. Choate, the well known American diplomatist, was being shown over a very old English parish church. Pointing out an oak screen, the rector informed his visitor that it was "centuries old." "And this paneling on the door?" inquired Mr. Choate, much interested. "Oh," replied the rector, "that is quite modern! It was put up only forty years before the discovery of America, you know!"—London Globe.

Buttons Barred.

"Our collection today, my dear brethren," said the rector, "is for the clothing fund. At the same time, may I earnestly impress upon you that, though the collection is for the clothing fund, it is not necessary to contribute buttons?"

The Hero.

First Critic—I understand you saw Scribbler's new comedy last night. Who played the hero? Second Critic—I did. I sat through the whole thing.—Philadelphia Record.

Neither walls, theaters, porches nor senseless equipage make states, but men who are able to rely upon themselves.—Aristides.

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