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### AVERAGE CIRCULATION FOR FIRST TWO MONTHS OF

1893, 365,309 per day.	1892, 17,760 per day.	1891, 307,538 per day.
A gain of 67,858 per day in ONE YEAR.	1894, 433,167 per day.	A gain of 125,629 per day in THREE YEARS.

### CIRCULATION OF THE WORLD FOR

Each Day of January and February This Year COMPARED WITH Corresponding Days of Last Year and Three Years Ago:

1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.
Jan. 1.	202,010	263,845	274,440
Jan. 2.	284,040	293,667	408,582
Jan. 3.	283,850	354,116	410,560
Jan. 4.	240,040	352,223	407,765
Jan. 5.	279,670	346,541	411,500
Jan. 6.	283,540	342,588	408,453
Jan. 7.	286,900	351,146	429,985
Jan. 8.	287,790	364,739	478,669
Jan. 9.	288,510	353,935	412,898
Jan. 10.	292,330	347,837	406,622
Jan. 11.	240,290	344,358	411,131
Jan. 12.	290,770	342,090	409,685
Jan. 13.	290,160	348,442	412,975
Jan. 14.	295,540	350,284	424,734
Jan. 15.	335,960	363,827	440,381
Jan. 16.	395,890	350,504	427,087
Jan. 17.	279,200	355,079	425,075
Jan. 18.	240,800	377,430	427,611
Jan. 19.	293,920	361,664	428,795
Jan. 20.	301,090	358,692	428,545
Jan. 21.	304,200	362,800	429,125
Jan. 22.	298,960	364,034	430,324
Jan. 23.	305,410	359,936	448,149
Jan. 24.	304,840	366,036	432,462
Jan. 25.	248,560	366,656	658,162
Jan. 26.	303,790	379,267	506,794
Jan. 27.	298,620	402,963	438,780
Jan. 28.	303,520	380,761	429,572
Jan. 29.	305,360	364,210	417,698
Jan. 30.	303,510	372,562	450,643
Jan. 31.	302,970	392,940	439,940
Feb. 1.	245,200	368,125	449,503
Feb. 2.	301,680	369,845	439,527
Feb. 3.	302,580	371,315	446,149
Feb. 4.	297,290	366,465	300,226
Feb. 5.	300,310	365,020	432,037
Feb. 6.	300,660	362,190	438,421
Feb. 7.	298,520	372,305	443,582
Feb. 8.	246,100	371,354	447,508
Feb. 9.	292,390	374,524	433,318
Feb. 10.	301,220	375,491	447,378
Feb. 11.	304,830	378,314	302,219
Feb. 12.	309,120	365,199	427,833
Feb. 13.	310,250	351,460	428,896
Feb. 14.	328,470	370,019	434,918
Feb. 15.	247,450	378,457	476,864
Feb. 16.	301,510	381,943	441,913
Feb. 17.	305,050	376,429	443,565
Feb. 18.	311,160	370,345	305,316
Feb. 19.	311,420	374,168	474,168
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Feb. 22.	246,500	314,049	401,530
Feb. 23.	277,820	378,612	446,654
Feb. 24.	310,240	382,448	433,253
Feb. 25.	306,450	384,428	310,235
Feb. 26.	295,380	366,538	444,109
Feb. 27.	302,320	384,870	452,656
Feb. 28.	305,960	379,404	455,425
Weekly and Semi-Weekly	17,180,580	20,512,802	24,612,520
Grand Total	18,144,790	21,553,265	25,556,869
Daily Average	307,538	365,309	433,167

### LAST EDITION. BRITAIN'S NEW ERA.

Gladstone's Last Speech and Resignation Mark Its Opening.

A GREAT BATTLE COMING ON. And a Younger and More Willing Spirit Needed for the Leadership.

ROSEBERY, MAN FOR THE HOUR.

Glowing Hopes of a Grand Federation of All Anglo-Saxon Peoples.

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The fact of this coming battle is the real secret of Gladstone's resignation. The habit of his life and thought has been against a conflict either with the hereditary legislators or the hereditary throne; and, although he bowed to the will of his party and the inexorable logic of events in making his last speech a call to that great battle, he preferred to commit the leadership to a more willing as well as a younger spirit.

This is, again, the secret of not only his own choice of Lord Rosebery as his successor, but of the practically unanimous declaration of the Radical press and leaders that he is the one and only man for this great juncture. It is impossible that John Burns, Herbert Asquith, the London Chronicle and the Manchester Guardian, the Scottish press, should not have had sufficient assurances from the new Premier upon this vast question of the future before giving him their enthusiastic support.

I say vast question, because it is the sanguine belief of its thoughtful leaders that its ultimate result will be the Democratic Federation of all Anglo-Saxon peoples.

Their choice of Rosebery is based primarily upon his personal qualities, but incidentally upon the fact that he is of the very class whose hereditary privileges are to be overturned. The Samson of the past few days, in which he has been a figure hardly less conspicuous than Gladstone himself, not a single new fact has been developed concerning him. He has the reticence, as to his private life, of Parnell, with no intimates, but with the faculty of devoting to his personal service men of every class in the land. Herbert Asquith, the Radical leader of the future, is his nearest friend.

He has apparently the almost united support of the Irish Nationalist party, although I am told that not a single member of the party has ever met him out of the strict line of Parliamentary business. The Radical Chronicle will hear of no other leader than he.

In a cable letter so long back as last November I prophesied that he would be Gladstone's successor, because of his extraordinary success as Chairman of the London County Council and in setting the seal upon the new era of the nation's succession of Sir William Harcourt was hardly doubted by any influential organ of public opinion in these islands.

Reticent, almost as a recluse, as he is, born to the purple and immensely rich, he has the enthusiastic following and perhaps the affection of the trades unions, the rural laborer and the urban workman; he has the respect and esteem of his own class, the confidence of the tradesmen, manufacturers and merchants of his country, the cordial liking of the Queen.

Of this most interesting and exceptional personality, I have been able to secure some facts from men who have seen much of him, if they have not known him well. The details of his public life, he having been a member of two Gladstone Ministries and the real organizer of the New London Council, and his marriage to a daughter of the

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### LIKE MYER'S CRIME.

Racine (Wis.) Authorities Say Mrs. Margaret Maier Is a Borgia.

Accused of Poisoning Her First Husband, Herman Groenke.

Arrested in Brooklyn, Where She Was Running a Meat Market.

Mrs. Margaret Maier, a stout little German, past middle age, was arrested this morning in her meat shop, at Alabama and Glenmore avenues, Brooklyn, on a warrant charging her with killing her first husband, Herman Groenke, by giving him two drams of arsenic.

The alleged murder occurred in Racine, Wis., Aug. 29 last. Three physicians signed a certificate giving cholera morbus as the cause of death. It was not until after the prisoner had collected \$1,000 insurance on her husband's life, had remarried and departed from Racine, that suspicion was aroused. Then it was found that Groenke had died of arsenical poison.

Groenke and his wife came to this country from Stettin, Germany, about thirteen years ago. They went West and lived two years. They went West and lived two years.

The couple lived economically and saved a little money, which they invested in a home at 1417 Franklin street. Groenke also insured his life for \$1,000 in the Ancient Order of Foresters, and had the policy made payable to his wife.

It is said that Bartell will be the principal witness against her on the trial. According to Sheriff, Mr. Maier furnished Bartell with money and they agreed to marry. For some reason Bartell refused to keep the agreement, and she transferred her affections to Michael Maier, who is about fifteen years her senior.

The morning of Aug. 29 he ate an egg omelet. Almost immediately afterwards he was taken ill. He was very ill, however, but after reaching the shop, he told his companions that he was feeling better. He was in a burning sensation in his throat, and said he felt as though he had been poisoned.

When Mrs. Groenke found that Bartell would not marry her she fell in love with Michael Maier, who was married. Her house was offered for sale, and on the following morning the couple moved to the new home.

At the trial, the doctor, Dr. Groenke's body and the arsenic were examined, and it was found that the arsenic was of the same kind as that which was used in the murder of Myer.

Prof. Haynes, after a diligent examination, reported that Groenke's stomach contained two drachms of arsenic. The case was laid before the Grand Jury and an indictment was found charging Mrs. Maier with murder.

The remarkable part of the story is that the woman had been constantly informed of the charges against her, and made no attempt to escape. A week ago, when a dispatch from the Sheriff left Racine to take her back to answer for the murder of her first husband, she was a free woman.

Mrs. Maier seemed very cheerful, and said she could prove that the charge was baseless.

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### SING SING M'ALLISTERIZED.



So Many Swells Are Going Up the River, Doncherknow.

### MRS. LEDERER WILL NOT SUE.

So Declares Her Husband, Who Is Mum as to His Intentions.

Whereabouts of His Missing Young Wife Kept a Secret.

The docket of the divorce court will probably include before many weeks the case of Lederer vs. Lederer. It will be the outcome of a separation between George W. Lederer, of Canary & Lederer, lessees of the Casino, and his pretty, young wife, Florine Lederer, nee Newcombe, daughter of the famous lawyer, the late Richard S. Newcombe.

Mr. Lederer was seen at the Casino this forenoon. He had denied himself to all newspaper representatives, but consented to talk briefly to "The Evening World" man.

"It has been reported that Mrs. Lederer has instituted divorce proceedings," he said, "or was about to do so. That is not so. She will not sue me, if any are taken at all."

Mr. Lederer declined to admit that he would begin an action against his wife, and yet that was the only inference that could be drawn from his positive declaration that Mrs. Lederer would not take the initiative in the matter.

The story of the marital discord of the Lederers is, in brief, that Mrs. Lederer left the handsome home her husband provided for her in the Arcade neighborhood at Fifty-fifth street and Broadway last Saturday. It is reported that she left in a motor car.

The man is stout, gray-haired and balding, and the husband of a once prominent opera prima donna. The story goes that his man, while possessing the greatest friendship for Mr. Lederer and enjoying his hospitality as a frequent guest at his private dinner parties, was the culmination of a confession she said to have made to her husband, in which she declared the name of a middle-aged dramatic critic on a morning paper.

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"To all questions bearing upon the above facts Mr. Lederer this forenoon maintained a polite but firm silence. He would only permit himself, as before quoted, any effort on the part of his friends to get into the custody of the man who is the subject of the report."

It is undoubtedly the fact that Myer left Racine and Brooklyn, and that Mrs. Lederer was among the promoters of the Broadway theater.

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### CHOKED IN COURT.

Mrs. Gray Tried to Murder Her Accused Husband.

He Was Charged with Assaulting His 15-Year-Old Daughter.

Nearly Succeeded in Her Attempt and Was Sorry She Didn't.

There was an exciting scene in the Adams Street Police Court, Brooklyn, this morning, caused by Mrs. Sophie Gray's attempt to avenge the wrongs of her fifteen-year-old daughter, alleged to have been committed by her husband, Michael Grau.

Had not four of the court officers grabbed the woman she might have succeeded in strangling her husband. The infuriated woman choked Grau until he was black in the face. He fought desperately in his struggles to free himself from the woman's clutch, but Mrs. Gray seemed to have the strength of two men.

The man, with the woman clinging to his throat like a tigress and the four officers who were standing by the First Precinct station to notify the sergeant at the desk that Grau was being strangled to death.

Grau gave short gasps, and it could be seen that he was fast losing strength. The entire coat belt of West Virginia is agitated over the squatters' war in Logan County and hostilities are expected. The squatters are organized, and having a large supply of dynamite in addition to their Winchester rifles, they will blow up the first squatter who dares to make a move on the contested land. The squatters were driven off a month ago, and the Frazer-Flat-Top Land Association has been perfecting arrangements ever since to drive out the settlers. The squatters may have strong protection. Men of the deputies engaged are mountaineers who will not hesitate to fight. The squatters have been beaten in the courts, but cannot be prevailed upon to leave peacefully. They have held the disputed property for generations, and some of the improvements are of substantial character. The present owners are New York capitalists, who held patents obtained nearly one hundred years ago. Their claim has been clearly established and they are supported by the State and Federal authorities.

Over and over again she repeated the sentence, "each time closing her grip on her husband's throat."

Her short gasps, she told the court, were a bit of strength was being put into that clutch on the man's throat.

Finally she got the man's back across the neck of the benches, and he stopped his struggle.

For a moment it looked as though a murder had been committed in a court of justice.

But at the last moment the four policemen whom the woman had succeeded in striking off their feet, all rushed together and grabbed the woman around the waist. Two others dashed up the stairs from the court below and the woman was overpowered.

Her husband dropped from the bench to the floor. He was in a state of semi-consciousness, but soon recovered, when a pair of water was thrown over him.

It was fully twenty minutes after the arrival of a doctor who had been sent for, that the woman was released.

Mrs. Grau was summoned before Justice Walsh to-day and asked, in the presence of her husband, if she was willing to give up the book. She at first consented, but suddenly, as if remembering some great wrong, she cried: "You devil!" and sprang at the prisoner.

Afterward the woman said she wished she had completed her work.

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### STRIKERS BURN A BRIDGE.

Trouble Renewed in West Virginia Mining Districts.

Telegraph Wires Cut Between Charleston and Powellton.

ST. LOUIS, March 3.—A special to The Post-Dispatch from Charleston, W. Va., says: "The wires have been cut between here and Powellton and it is feared a crisis has come. A messenger has been sent to the scene to ascertain the situation."

"At 10.30 last night, Sheriff Siman, of this county, received a telegram from Suppt. J. M. Gill, of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad, stating that a body of armed strikers were at Coalburg, sixteen miles from here, and threatened to tear up the tracks and burn the bridges at that point. The Sheriff left at 12.30 with a posse for Coalburg, where he arrived at 1.25."

"The new \$20,000 bridge of the division from Coalburg to Acme had been fired and was totally destroyed. The body of masked strikers who did the work disappeared. The Sheriff returned at 5 o'clock, leaving a deputy and posse on guard."

(By Associated Press.)

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