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Among other things, the automobile has taken a load off the Humane society.

As yet, the aeroplane has not begun seriously to worry the automobile business.

It is better for one's aeroplane to go wrong ten miles from land horizontally than vertically.

A German woman advocates compulsory domestic service for all girls. She must live in the suburbs.

American heiresses when caught very young may be more easily trained by their titled husbands.

Five generals of the Haitian revolutionary army have been captured and shot. Presumably the private got away.

Maybe the woman who received coal when she thought she was buying eggs is in luck that it was not diamonds.

Aviator Latham has gone duck hunting in a monoplane. The innovation adds to the undesirability of being a duck.

Fresh air advocates will not be surprised to learn that a hermit who had remained indoors for forty years died of pneumonia.

Paris wants a new law to discourage dueling, the idea being to shed oratory instead of blood when some one has a grievance.

The enterprising journalist will see to it that the Hope diamond keeps true to its traditions in the matter of worrying its owners.

Possibly the Chicago thieves who were betrayed by the singing of a canary have come to the conclusion that a bird on the dump is worth two in the flat.

Funny the lightning picked out the Missouri statehouse as its objective, when big, tall, glittering rods are up in New Jersey, Ohio, Massachusetts and New York.

One of the scientists predicts that the women of the future will be bald-headed. Pshaw! He is dreaming. If women were bald-headed, how could they use hatpins?

The Montana bride who had never spoken to her prospective husband until a few minutes before the marriage ceremony will probably make up for her lack of loquacity.

Three thousand girls are taking a commercial course in the Boston high schoools. Perhaps this is one of the reasons why schoolboys are being taught to sew and darn.

In Germany there is a dog that can speak seven words. No woman is likely to have much respect for a dog that can't make use of a more extensive vocabulary than that.

New York city is about to legislate against hatpins. Being strung on one does not improve the temper of the tired citizen who must ride home packed in a subway train.

American football may be frowned upon by European educators, but we can point with pride to the fact that our universities have not accepted anarchy as a popular sport.

East St. Louis wants eggs to be stamped with the date on which they were minted. Cannot Wizard Burbank or Wizard Edison invent a hen sufficiently intelligent to use a time clock?

The party who referred to the Smithsonian institution as a "trash heap" evidently labors under the impression that the specimens slaughtered by Col. Roosevelt are already there.

A New York judge has decided that a wife, even though she be childless, is a man's "family" to the extent of sharing in his money. Even the law these days of women's rights is deferring to the lady.

A peaceful citizen who was held up and robbed by two Chicago crooks wants to thank them because they didn't kill him. All of which constitutes our notion of the uttermost limit of optimism.

A rich coal operator of West Virginia wants a divorce because his wife insisted on putting on boxing gloves with him and whipping him every night. Before deciding to break up his happy home he should have tried putting on a catcher's mask and an umpire's pad.

Russia is going to build a $75,000,000 fleet for the Black sea. Evidently Russia isn't taking much stock in this universal peace business.

A Philadelphia woman wants a divorce because her husband allowed her only 25 cents a day. Evidently she isn't satisfied with her quarters.

It is not surprising that the remains of a dinosaur should be found in New York city. Dead ones are plentiful in the vicinity of Broadway.

A New Jersey judge has ruled that it is no crime to steal an umbrella on a rainy day. The rightful owner, however, holds a different opinion.

If that man is a benefactor to the human race who makes two blades of grass grow where one grew before, what is to be said of the man who has produced a new strawberry to ripen sooner and last longer than any other kind? It needs now only the producer of a summer oyster and a winter watermelon to make life simply ecstatic.

Must the "parlor match" be put out? That little combination of wood and brimstone is held responsible for many fires, some of them disastrous, and a bill introduced in congress prohibits the transportation of these matches under penalty of a fine of $1,000 and imprisonment for three years. No doubt a good deal of mischief has resulted from using the matches. But should not carelessness in handling them be held really responsible for most of the damage done?

TROOPS ARE MOVING

SHIPS AND MEN ARE NOW EN ROUTE TO TEXAS AND CALIFORNIA.

MEXICAN TALK IS FOR PEACE

Ambassador Sends Word to Diaz Assuring Him Concentration of American Forces Along Border Was Not for Occupation of His Country.

Washington.—With the United States showing great activity in mobilizing troops and ships along the Mexican border and the lower Pacific coast, the war maneuver game started renewed gossip that the United States had been asked by Mexico to intervene in its internal strife, nowithstanding emphatic denials on the part of representatives of the Diaz government.

Senor De la Barra, the Mexican ambassador, declares the mobilization of troops is not to be interpreted as a forerunner of intervention, so far as his government is concerned. He insists President Diaz is able to cope with his own affairs without any outside help.

President Taft and his cabinet insist the army and navy movement is merely a test and is not to be looked upon as having anything to do with Mexico.

Telegrams are pouring into the headquarters of the army showing that the movement of troops is proceeding with the smoothness and regularity of clockwork. More than 100 telegrams already have been received, and the celerity with which the orders have been carried out, it is said in military quarters, would give the impression that the movement was an every-day occurrence. Not a hitch has been encountered, and practically the entire force of 20,000 men is now en route to the lower part of Texas and California.

The troops are equipped with ball cartridges, although it is the invariable practice to supply troops with blank ammunition for practice exercises or peaceful maneuvers.

The orders to the troops stationed at Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., have depleted that post and the war department ordered one battalion of the Second infantry at Fort Assinniboine, Mont., to Fort D. A. Russell to care for that station. This was the only additional order for the movement of the soldiers issued by Gen. Leonard Wood, chief of staff of the army.

The navy department is continuing its preparations for the dispatch of the Fifth division of the Atlantic fleet and the large detachment of marines of Guantanamo, Cuba. The marines are being assembled at Philadelphia for transportation on the Dixie and Prairie. The men, with their accoutrements and supplies, are reaching the Pennsylvania port in perfect order and smoothness.

The four armored cruisers of the Fifth division, under Rear Admiral Staunton, are being supplied with their full complement of bluejackets. There were some vacancies in the personnel of the division when the orders were first issued to the vessels. These are being filled promptly from the enlisted force of the navy and the complements of the ships will be complete before the ships sail, which probably will be in a few days.

The Mexican embassy issued a statement branding as preposterous reports current that the Mexican government was looking to the United States for aid in regulating its internal affairs.

Mexico City. — The American embassy advised Minister Creel that it had received instructions from Washington to communicate with President Diaz and assure the latter that the concentration of troops along the Mexican border did not have as its object the occupation of Mexican territory.

Say Diaz Is Dead.

Washington.—Representatives of the Mexican revolutionists here Wednesday evening gave out the report that President Diaz of Mexico was dead.

They stated that they had received a number of telegrams to substantiate this announcement, but admitted that they had received no authentic information.

A message was received at the Mexican embassy from Enrico Creel, minister of foreign affairs, reading: "The health of President Diaz is excellent."

CANNON SPURNS $500 A DAY

"Too Busy" Is Reply Telegraphed Back by Illinois Representative to Lyceum Bureau.

Washington. — "Five hundred dollars a night for 100 nights," was an offer telegraphed from a western lyceum bureau to Representative Joseph G. Cannon of Illinois. "Too busy" was the reply telegraphed back by Mr. Cannon.

James G. Blaine III. Wedded.

Boston.—At noon Thursday James G. Blaine III. of Newport, and Miss Marion Dow of this city were married, the ceremony being witnessed by relatives only. The couple left for New York, where they will sail for Europe.

Love Causes Soldier's Suicide.

Leavenworth, Kan.—Driven mad by the thought of leaving his sweetheart, Quartermaster Sergt. Fred Snyder, Company A, Thirteenth infantry, shot and killed himself Wednesday in his bunk at Fort Leavenworth.

Marchers May Disband.

Sacramento, Cal.—An advance agent of the marching force of Industrial Workers of the World arrived here Monday, bringing word that the party would disband here if conditions at Fresno should continue peaceful.

Mrs. Mary I. Jenkins Dies.

Baltimore, Md.—Mrs. Mary Isabella Jenkins, wife of Michael Jenkins, capitalist and philanthropist, died at her home Monday. The title of duchess of Llewellyn was conferred on Mrs. Jenkins by Pope Pius X.

Explosion Is Fatal to Three.

Georgetown, S. C.—One fireman was killed outright and two others received injuries that proved fatal when a large boiler in the plant of the Atlantic Coast Lumber corporation exploded Saturday.

Warm Welcome for Funston.

Manila, P. I.—Brigadier General Funston, who has assumed command of the department of Luzon, in succession to Brigadier General Potts, was given a rousing welcome on his arrival here Saturday.

TELL OF PROGRESS

SOUTHERN COMMERCIAL CONGRESS OPENS AT ATLANTA.

Presence of Prominetn Men From All Sections of Country Adds Dignity to Gathering.

Atlanta, Ga.—The presence of President Taft, Col. Theodore Roosevelt, Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, Secretary of War Dickinson, Woodrow Wilson, governor of New Jersey, together with all the governors of the southern states and some of the foremost business men of the nation at the opening of the Southern Commercial congress here Wednesday added dignity to a convention whose importance to the country at large and to the south in particular will be second to none. Coming as it does just fifty years after the division of the states in civil strife, it exemplifies that great commercial union that has sprung from the ashes of a dead revolution to bind the North and the South firmly in the bonds of mutual interest.

Three men of world-wide reputation occupied the attention of the convention with addresses of much interest. Secretary Wilson delivered a speech on agriculture in the South, George Westinghouse spoke on "Electricity in the Development of the South," and George W. Perkins addressed the convention on "Business Efficiency in Southern Progress."

During the three days of the convention many speeches were delivered. These discourses were headed by a speech from Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida on "The Southern Renaissance." The second speech of national importance will be by Senator Money of Mississippi on "The Obligation of the Panama Canal." The third national utterance was from the lips of Former Senator James Gordon of Mississippi, who brought a message "From Yesterday to Today." He was followed by Dr. Clarence J. Owens, commander-in-chief of the United Sons of Confederate Veterans, who spoke on "Today and Tomorrow." Colonel Roosevelt was the fifth speaker. President Taft made the closing remarks of the convention, taking for his topic, "A Greater Nation Through a Greater South."

BUSINESS NOT TO SUFFER

Democratic Leaders Say Sanity and Common Sense Will Be Rule on Tariff Question.

Washington.—Responsible leaders in the senate and house made it plain that it is not the purpose of the Democratic party in the extra session to "run amuck" on the tariff question.

Senator Owen, the new leader of the progressive Democracy in the upper house; Senators Bacon and Overman, and Champ Clark, who is to be speaker, have declared that sanity and common sense will be the rule of action of their party.

According to the program these representative men have talked over the reciprocity agreement is to be ratified and those schedules that involve monopoly controlled products and the necessities of life will be revised. The remainder of the schedules will be left for the regular session. There will be no wholesale revision and no upsetting of business generally. While the reciprocity agreement is under way in the senate the house committee will work out its scheme of revision regarding wool and cotton, woolen and cotton goods, flour, dressed meats and other necessaries of life and probably agricultural implements.

Whatever action the Democrats may take it will compensate the farmer for the free admission of agricultural products from Canada and remove from his shoulders the burden of carrying the entire load of tariff taxation. In return for free farm products from Canada the farmer is to be given either free or at greatly reduced rates the articles he consumes and the implements with which he raises his crops.

The general business interests will not suffer, unless it be the agricultural implement trust.

HIGH COURT UPHOLDS BLAIR

Disfranchisement of 1,000 Voters by Adams County, Judge Ratified by Ohio Supreme Tribunal.

Portsmouth, O. — More than 100 indictments will in all probability be reported in Scioto county by the grand jury as the result of a decision by the Ohio supreme court upholding the disfranchisement of more than 1,000 voters in Adams county by Judge A. Z. Blair. When those disfranchisements were taken to the supreme court, Judge Blair dropped the investigation of Scioto county's affairs and waited until his action in Adams county was ratified by the bench. Now the probe will go on and these indictments may be returned this week.

Rear Admiral Fremont Dies.

Boston.—Rear Admiral John Charles Fremont, commandant of the Charlestown navy yard, fell dead of heart disease in his home at the navy yard Wednesday. He was born in San Francisco in 1849.

Price of Champagne Going Up.

New York.—Advices from Paris Wednesday to local wine importers indicate that an advance between $5 and $10 a case on champagne is contemplated by the French wine growers this year.

Apponyi Sails for Home.

New York.—Count Albert Apponyi sailed for his home in Hungary Tuesday after a lecture tour here advocating universal peace. The count said he was delighted with his audiences and hoped to return to the United States in the near future.

Fund for Peace Workers.

New York.—As a fund to "be spent liberally for preventing strikes," $10,000 has been given to the Women's Trade Union League of this city by an anonymous donor.

Bowling Tournament Opens.

Spokane, Wash.—What promises to be the greatest bowling tournament the west has ever seen was opened in the state armory Tuesday. Fifteen hundred bowlers from all parts of the west were present. The prizes aggregate $5,000.

Charles Brown Lore Is Dead.

Wilmington, Del.—Charles Brown Lore, chief justice of the Delaware court for 15 years, was found dead in bed in his residence in this city Monday.

ON THE JOB ONCE MORE.

BALLINGER RESIGNS

SECRETARY OF INTERIOR PRESENTS RESIGNATION AND TAFT APPOINTS WALTER L. FISHER.

GIVES ILL HEALTH AS REASON

Retiring Official Bases His Request Entirely Upon His Condition and Receives Warm Praise in Letter From the President.

Washington.—Richard A. Ballinger's resignation as secretary of the interior was accepted by President Taft and Walter L. Fisher of Chicago was Tuesday appointed as his successor.

Mr. Ballinger tendered his resignation in a letter on January 19, being on the condition of his health. The president replied at once, expressing his confidence in Secretary Ballinger, his reluctance to accept his resignation, and requested the secretary to remain in office until the close of the session of congress. Immediately on the adjournment of congress Secretary Ballinger renewed his request.

Tuesday President Taft, in a letter, formally accepted the resignation and Mr. Fisher was appointed as his successor, his commission being signed immediately by the president. Mr. Fisher will take office immediately.

The correspondence between the president and the secretary is not voluminous, but displays beyond question the confidence which Mr. Taft has reposed in Mr. Ballinger throughout the long siege and the indignation with which he has viewed the attacks on the secretary's personal and official integrity.

"I have had the fullest opportunity," the president says in his letter accepting the resignation, "to know you, to know your standards of service to the government and the public, to know your motives, to know how you have administered your office and to know the motives of those who have assailed you.

"I do not hesitate to say that you have beeen the object of one of the most unscrupulous conspiracies for the defamation of character that history can show."

And in the conclusion of his letter the president declares that "every fiber of my nature rebels against such hypocrisy" (referring to the attacks on Ballinger's character) "and nerves me to fight such a combination and such methods to the bitter end, lest success in this instance may form a demoralizing precedent. But personal consideration for you and yours makes me feels that I have no right to ask for a further sacrifice."

The president goes on to declare it evident that he has been himself the ultimate object of the attack, and says that to insist on Mr. Ballinger's remaining in office "with the prospects of further efforts against you, is selfishly to impose on you more of a burden than I ought to impose."

Ninety Burned to Death.

St. Petersburg.—Ninety persons, many of them children, were burned to death and forty others injured in a fire that destroyed a moving picture theater at Bologoie Monday.

In the stampede that followed the first appearance of the flames forty or more persons were burned and crushed. Many of these are expected to die. The toll of death may reach 125.

Moor Kills a Frenchman.

Melilla, Morocco.—E. Mangin, the chief of the French military mission at Fez, was killed by the son of the Moorish minister of war Tuesday, because the officer had caused the execution of two native soldiers.

Wisconsin Judge Is Accused.

Milwaukee.—Dispatches from Crandon, county seat of Forest county, northern Wisconsin, say County Judge John A. Walsh was arrested Tuesday on charges of grafting in sums of $300 named in each warrant.

German Prince at Cairo.

Cairo, Egypt.—The German Crown Prince Frederick William arrived here Monday from Suez and was welcomed at the railway station by the khedive, the ministers and the diplomats resident here. He will spend some time in Egypt.

Author of "Il Santo" Dead.

Venice, Italy.—Antonio Fogazzaro, the author of "Il Santo," died Monday. Fogazzaro, who was sixty-nine years of age, was operated on recently for cancer of the liver.

Diphtheria Scares Baltimore.

Baltimore, Md.—As a result of the epidemic of diphtheria which had its beginning in Johns Hopkins hospital, every hospital in the city, about fifteen, has excluded visitors. The medical students have been sent to their homes, the clinics are closed and operations suspended.

Kills Wife, Then Shoots Self.

Keokuk, Ia.—Joseph Samuels, captain of the West Keokuk fire department, killed his wife Saturday. Samuels tried to kill himself, but failed.

STARTS ON LONG TRIP

ROOSEVELT TO TOUR THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.

Will Participate in Many Important Events During the Next Two Months.

New York. — Former President Roosevelt left Wednesday on a two months' tour of the south and southwest. A $10,000 dinner, a reunion of the Rough Riders, a day spent in presiding over ceremonies to be held in the town of Roosevelt, Ariz., to mark the opening of the Roosevelt dam, one of the greatest engineering feats in the west, and long hunting and fishing trips in and about the Rockies are some of the things which will enliven the peregrinations of the former president.

In Birmingham he addressed a Child Labor Commission. New Orleans entertained the ex-Rough Rider with a $10,000 banquet given under the auspices of the Commercial club of Louisiana. The annual convention of "Cattle Raisers," one of the most powerful organizations in the state of Texas, was addressed by the Colonel at San Antonio. The next stop in the initerary was Albuquerque, N. M., where the ex-Rough Rider spent two days among his old friends of the saddle. From there he went to Grand Canyon, Ariz., where a short address was delivered. Then on to Phoenix for the opening of the Roosevelt dam.

In Los Angeles, Colonel Roosevelt will speak at the invitation of Governor Johnson of that state.

San Francisco, the termination of his trans-continental trip, will receive some ten days of his time. Here he will divide his time between the University of California, at Berkeley, where he will deliver the Earl lectures, six in number; and his headquarters in the city where he will receive visitors from the Pacific slope.

No definite arrangements, other than a personal promise to be present at the opening of the new Y. M. C. A. building at Reno, have been made, though it is probable that he will visit friends in Oregon and Nevada for an intermediate period, after which he will visit Seattle and Spokane. No speeches to be delivered in those states are yet announced; nor is the length of his stay. At the conclusion of his visit he will probably go to some place in Idaho, thence to Sand Point, Montana, and home through the north and middle west.

SEVEN INDICTED FOR FRAUD

Alaskan Development Company Officials Accused of Using 300 Citizens to Make Coal Entries.

Detroit, Mich.—Government investigation into alleged Alaskan land frauds involving approximately 48,000 acres of land, valued at more than $50,000,000, resulted in the issuance Monday of an indictment by the local federal jury, charging seven individuals with conspiracy against the United States. The defendants are Wilbur W. McAlpine, Albert H. Roehme, George W. Ross, Frank D. Andrus, Arthur Holmes and McCurdy C. Le Beau, all of Detroit, and John M. Bushnell of Chicago. The foregoing are officials of a company known as the Michigan-Alaska Development company.

10,000 Strikers in Chicago.

Chicago.—A general strike of building trades, tieing up the entire building industry in Chicago and involving probably 10,000 workers was called Wednesday as the result of the filing of a petition for an injunction by the steamfitters, against which organization the plumbers, members of the Building Trades council, are fighting. By ordering a general strike before the injunction proceedings, instituted before Judge Gridley, could be heard, the officials of the trades council executed a coup.

Legislature Is Held Legal.

Columbus, O.—The present session of the Ohio general assembly is constitutional. The supreme court handed down that ruling Tuesday, thus making all acts of the legislature effective. There had been a question as to the constitutionality of the session.

Columbia Budget $2,775,000.

New York.—The budget of Columbia university for the academic year 1911-12 calls for a total expenditure of $2,775,000, the largest on record.

Pugilist Dies From Injuries.

New York.—Following the death of Angelo Venzino, a pugilist, in Newark, N. J., Saturday, from injuries which it is alleged he received during a four-round boxing bout, a charge of manslaughter has been placed against William Kennedy, his opponent.

Alfonso's Son Deaf and Dumb.

Paris.—It is stated that the king and queen of Spain were informed Saturday by experts that their second son, Infante Jaime, is deaf and dumb.

TERROR IN BLAST

POWDER EXPLOSION SWEEPS PLEASANT PRAIRIE, WIS., FROM EARTH.

ONE DEAD, TWENTY-FIVE HURT

Shock Is Felt Across Lake Michigan —Much Damage Was Done in Chicago and Other Cities and Towns.

Chicago.—As if in the grip of a violent earthquake, Chicago was shaken to its foundations Thursday night when the Laflin-Rand powder mills at Pleasant Prairie, near Kenosha, Wis., exploded and were destroyed. One employe of the powder mills was killed, 25 more injured, and the property loss is estimated at $3,000,000.

Though the scene of the gigantic blast was 52 miles away, it threw a city of 2,500,000 inhabitants into an uproar. The explosion was felt in all of the surrounding towns, miles away. It was felt across Lake Michigan, along the Michigan shore of the lake. Elgin, Aurora, Joliet, Rockford, Benton Harbor are only a few of the cities and towns that were shaken as was Chicago.

With the first shock men, women and children fled from their homes in terror. Some of them had reached the open air when there came the second rocking of the buildings and the quivering of the earth beneath their feet. Then it was that terror took possession of hundreds of thousands of people. They were sure that Chicago, the suburbs—Michigan even—Indiana, or whatever part of the surrounding country they happened to be in was to be visited by an awful catastrophe.

The sickening, swaying, quivering motion of the earth ceased as suddenly and as mysteriously as it had come, and then self-possession returned to most of the frightened ones.

In one instance at least, in the case of an aged woman in Elgin, the shock was fatal. Her weakened heart ceased beating forever just as the explosion shock swept over that city. Fright as much as anything else killed her.

The principal damage done, as far as could be learned last night—always excepting the havoc wrought by the explosives in the immediate vicinity of the wreck of the powder mills—came from broken windows. Panes of glass innumerable were shattered in all sections of the city. Windows, picture glasses, china, glassware and other things fragile and breakable were smashed to atoms.

In Pleasant Prairie scarcely one of the 700 inhabitants escaped injury and some of them may die. Buildings were swept to the ground almost like a set of dominoes and the first of the rescuers found the streets filled with half crazed women and children, while the men worked furiously to release others from the debris of their devastated homes.

Nearly the same conditions obtained at Bristol, the force of the explosion sweeping across the prairie like a terrific gust of wind, before which buildings and trees bent, broke and fell.

In Evanston, on the north, and in Hinsdale on the west the flash that came with the explosion so many miles away was plainly seen by a number of persons.

A remarkable feature of the explosion is that its effects were distinctly felt in Indiana, even as far south as Indianapolis, and in many of the Indiana cities the shock seemed to be just as severe, if not more severe, than it was in the inimediate neighborhood of Chicago.

In Michigan City many windows were broken, buildings were rocked and people rushed to the streets as they did in Chicago and in the suburbs. Meetings in churches and audiences in theaters left those buildings and could not be induced to return. A number of young women telephone operators fainted from fright and telephone service was demoralized for a time. In the districts of the city populated largely by people of foreign birth, there was general exodus from homes, and policemen were sent into these districts to induce the frightened women and children to return.

Twelve hundred prisoners in the big Indiana state penitentiary were also badly frightened. A smoker in the Elks' club was broken up summarily when the balls on the billiard and pool tables began to play queer pranks, and when gas and electric light globes fell with a loud crash.

South Bend and Goshen were two other Indiana cities in which the shock of the explosion was distinctly felt. In Gary a woman in the Orpheum theater was injured when some person cried "fire!" and a rush was made for the exits. The big steel plant of the United States Steel corporation was shaken; glass was broken and a number of lodge and church meetings were broken up. In East Chicago and Indiana Harbor telephone operators ran from their offices, thinking there had been an earthquake.

"Beer Money."

A relic of the time when ale was the natural beverage is seen in the "beer money" of domestic servants. The custom of giving this dates back to a time when breweries began to supersede the private brewing by families. Yet even now we occasionally see an advertisement for a butler who is competent to brew. And the ale brewed according to old fashioned formula and from malt and hops is worth drinking if you can stumble across it, especially the "nappy ale" such as Chaucer describes.

The Beginning and End.

Fond Mother—"It was at this point in the entrancing landscape that my daughter received a declaration and accepted." Friend—"And tell us the rest of the romance." Fond Mother—"Unfortunately, that is all there was."—Meggendorfer Blaetter.

Just Engaged.

"You are wedded to your art?" asked the interviewer. "Not at all," replied the opera singer. "We're tentatively engaged until I see what it can do toward providing an income for me."

Tables Turned.

"You are becoming prosperous of late." "Yep," replied Farmer Corntossel. "Hereafter we're goin' to enjoy ourselves when work gets slack an' look up some deservin' city folks that'll take boarders."

Eternal Echoes.

"Do you think that your speeches will echo down the corridors of time?" "I don't know about that," replied the energetic statesman, "but I'm sure some of my comic anecdotes will continue to do so."

POOR HUBBY!

Dick—That is Mrs. Gabber. She fell downstairs and bit her tongue in two.

Harry—I feel sorry for her husband. She was a terror when she had only one tongue!

HEAD SOLID MASS OF HUMOR

"I think the Cuticura Remedies are the best remedies for eczema I have ever heard of. My mother had a child who had a rash on its head when it was real young. Doctor called it baby rash. He gave us medicine, but it did no good. In a few days the head was a solid mass; a running sore. It was awful, the child cried continually. We had to hold him and watch him to keep him from scratching the sore. His suffering was dreadful. At last we remembered Cuticura Remedies. We got a dollar bottle of Cuticura Resolvent, a box of Cuticura Ointment, and a bar of Cuticura Soap. We gave the Resolvent as directed, washed the head with the Cuticura Soap, and applied the Cuticura Ointment. We had not used half before the child's head was clear and free from eczema, and it has never come back again. His head was healthy and he had a beautiful head of hair. I think the Cuticura Ointment very good for the hair. It makes the hair grow and prevents falling hair." (Signed) Mrs. Francis Lund, Plain City, Utah, Sept. 19, 1910. Send to the Potter Drug & Chem. Corp., Boston, Mass., for free Cuticura Book on the treatment of skin and scalp troubles.

Give a Woman a Chance.

Compulsory military service for men, urges a German female advocate of woman's rights, should be offset by compulsory domestic service for women. On the theory that life in barrack and drill in the manual of arms have benefitted German manhood, she asks, why will not life in the kitchen and exercise in the use of pots and pans similarly raise German womanhood?

If Germany ever organizes a standing army of cooks it may force all Europe to follow its lead. Culinary conscription is a severe measure, but when enforced in Germany other nations might be expected to adopt it. There would be more reason in doing so than in following Germany's lead in militarism. There is more real need of cooks the world over than of soldiers. It is possible to get along without fighting, but not without eating.

A Way of Getting Even.

Hewitt—When I asked the old man for his daughter's hand he walked all over me.

Jewett—Can't you have him arrested for violation of the traffic regulations?

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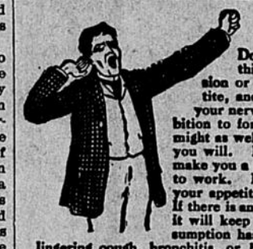

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