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The unemployed in Milwaukee number 7,000, according to a census taken by the police.

The income tax and the corporation tax will help to give the administration money, but they will not help the man who is out of a job.

The Southern States men in Congress assert that prosperity rules in that section. But such is not the general situation north of Mason and Dixon's line. However, the tariff was made by Southern men for the benefit of the South.

"Truth" does not belie its name when it says: "Probably at no period in the history of the American republic has its department of state and its diplomatic service been at such low ebb as during the first year of the New Freedom."

New York importers will fight a bill introduced in the House of Representatives by Mr. Clayton, of Alabama, giving the government the sole right to ask the Supreme Court to review any decision by the United States Court of Customs Appeals.

BUT ONLY JEEMS PREFERS TO STAND PAT.
 Governor McCreary is a grand old man and we wouldn't say a word "agin" him for anything, but it seems we hear the music waxing stronger and stronger that it was time he was getting out of the public crib.—Winchester Sun.

BURTON'S RETIREMENT.
 Senator Burton's announced retirement from politics and his decision not to enter the race for nomination for the United States Senatorship, are received as timely by most Ohio Republicans. Thus Senator Burton will retire from a twenty years' term of public life of his own volition, rather than upon the voice of the electorate. Senator Burton has rendered signal service to the Country, particularly while in the House, and having reached a period in his public career where he failed to elicit a full hearted response and approval from his constituency, by virtue of his attitude on many important public questions, his retirement we say is timely and in keeping with the best interests of the party.

"CHARGING IT" AT GROCERS.
 In a conference upon the cost of food, under the auspices of the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, Alfred D. Woodruff, of the Bureau of Food Supply, gave a startling account of what happens when the grocer "charges it."
 "We have found," said Mr. Woodruff, "that only about 30 per cent. pay their bills promptly in 30 days; 28 per cent. take from one to three months to pay; 40 per cent. never pay in full, and 2 per cent. never pay at all." With such drawbacks to the credit system it is not astonishing that grocers go bankrupt in spite of high nominal profits.

Mr. Woodruff thinks that if women will pay as much attention to domestic economy as to dress, bridge parties and tango teas; if they will pay cash, buy in large quantities and test short weights, "not less than 25 per cent. might be deducted from the gross profits."

It is only the exceptional woman in New York who has room to store in a proper manner supplies bought in bulk, or time to make a study of market conditions; the percentage of housekeepers who devote much time to dress, beyond what is necessary, or to bridge and tango teas, is small indeed. Let this small element take to heart Mr. Woodruff's advice if they wish. The average hurried housewife will go on doing the best she knows how within her conditions.

Something could be done if grocers themselves would substitute weekly for monthly payments and shut down upon long accounts. If they do not, it is hardly fair to blame the customers alone.—New York World.

There are approximately four million acres of timber land in New Hampshire of which about half is in farmers' wood-lots.

IT'S CHEAPER TO WADE.
 Maysville carts its mud mud off the streets. Mt. Olivet wades through hers. But let us hope there is a better day coming!—Mt. Olivet Tribune.

OLD CUSTOM TOTTERS.
 The enterprise of the motion picture makers has jeopardized an ancient and honorable institution, to wit, the students' duels in Germany. Because certain students whose reverence for the traditional dignity of the Mensur duel was not as profound as it should have been, and because they "faked" students' duels for the film makers, the German Government is seriously considering abolishing university duelling throughout the empire. That part of the student body which respects the traditions and upholds the practice of student duelling is making a vigorous fight on the proposed abolition of sword-crossing. The students admit that the young men who posed for the films did not respect the code as they should, and acquiesce in the Government's theory that Mensur duelling should not be commercialized. They hold, however, that the great universities like those at Heidelberg and Leipzig whose international fame depends, in a measure, upon presenting students with scars as well as "sheepskins," should not be deprived of this peculiar prestige. They further admit that there exists in these cities a clique of surgeons who make a practice of embellishing students' countenances with painless scars for a price, and also "voice a protest" against this practice.

Many graduates of the German universities of the old days who wear "honorable" students' scars regret the proposal to abolish duelling, but there is not much sentiment in that direction among the younger generation. The German Government realizes this, and for that reason it is not unlikely that the practice will soon be "numbered with the things that were."—Louisville Times.



"MY FAVORITE STORY."
 By George Lee Burton.

A young painter opened his studio and finally there appeared a prospective patron, a foreign looking, nervous little spectacled man, obviously able to pay.

"What will you charge to paint the portrait of mein fater?" he asked.

"Fifty dollars," the artist replied.

"Very good." And the patron nodded, satisfied.

"Well, bring your father around tomorrow and I will begin."

"But I cannot bring mein fater; for mein fater—he is dead!" was the unexpected response. Then followed in anxious tones, "Can you paint him?"

The artist was shocked; he seemed to see his first commission vanishing. Then, rallying on a sudden inspiration, he answered, airily:

"O yes; bring me your father's photo."

"But I haf no photo of him," was the disappointing reply. Then again, "Can you paint him?" he queried anxiously, peering up at the artist.

That was another blow; but his first commission—and fifty dollars!

"Yes," the artist returned, trying to speak in a matter-of-fact tone. "How did your father look?"

"Why, mein fater, he wore a long coat, a red tie, and a silk hat, always. Can you paint him?"

"Certainly; some back in ten days." And the artist bowed him out.

At the end of the time the patron reappeared, and he held on an easel a portrait of a man bearing some slight resemblance to himself, wearing a long coat, a red tie, and a silk hat.

"There is the portrait," the artist said, assuming confident case.

The little man silently stared at it for a full minute; then slowly counted out five ten dollar bills to the artist, and crossing over dropped into a chair in front of the picture, as if fascinated.

"Well, what do you think of it?" the artist inquired, cheerfully.

For answer the little man burst into tears, and burying his face in his hands exclaimed:

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ONE FAMILY'S CRIME LEGACY.

(Boston Herald.)
 James Plew, hanged in Connecticut for the murder of William Wakefield, whose widow is still under sentence of death for complicity in the crime, was a member of the notorious "Jukes" family, immortalized 40 years ago by Dugdale in his study of the descendants of Ada Juke.

Sir Francis Galton propounded the theory of eugenics. Dugdale furnished much of the evidence on which the science rests. Out of an estimated total of six generations of 1,200 descendants of "the mother of criminals," he was able to trace 709. Among these nearly every form of disease—mental, moral, physical, social—flourished. Over 200 were professional paupers, spending an aggregate of 2,300 years in almshouses. Sixty were habitual thieves, in and out of jail the greater part of their lives. Among the women of the fourth generation, 27 out of 39, or 70 per cent, were professional harlots. Seven of the family were murderers. Among the remainder, we find insanity, idiosyncrasy, epilepsy, blindness, deaf mutism and deformities galore. Of the infants who died no adequate record was obtainable.

The cost to the community of this breed has been incalculable. The mere maintenance of the pauper and criminal members in public institutions was estimated 40 years ago at over \$1,000,000. The direct cost cannot be reckoned.

The taint is still abroad. The Wakefield crime was due to the fatal heritage. But for Plew, the murder would never have occurred. And whether or not Mrs. Wakefield pays the death penalty, the stigma will have its indirect effect on her two innocent children.

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