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THE CALL SPEAKS FOR ALL. After this the sunshine.

Now, then, bring on the festivals. March came in like a lion, but he had a feeble like Mary's little lamb.

How would "Free Cuba or Fight" do for a campaign cry this summer? It is now Truckee's turn to come to San Francisco for a toboggan slide.

Cleveland may be supporting Carlisle for the Presidency, but Kentucky isn't. Mr. Huntington may fear competition in many places, but never on the witness-stand.

The House drew the sting out of the bee of the Senatorial resolutions, but left the honey. The world knows now that California can break a weather record as well as any other kind.

Snowstorms in California are never much bigger than European war furies, and pass as quickly. Fortunately the Spanish embroglio coincides with the cold snap, and we can warm up on war talk.

The next time the Spaniards have a bull-fight they will call the bull Uncle Sam and take it out of his hide. The decision in the Stanford case may have been all right, but on that day California struck a snowstorm.

It is never the same in the East as it is here, and what was a frolic snowstorm for us was a blizzard in Boston. Attorney-General Harmon's opinion puts Uncle Sam on the outside of everything except the snowdrifts.

After finding two tunes in Chinese music Paderewski should have listened for a while to a Democratic harmony. It is now said the cathode ray is a germicide, and there is a chance it may yet be made lively enough to kill fleas.

The Senate has passed the bill providing for a naval station on Goat Island, and it is going to be a great place for rams. Now that both houses of Congress have played trumps on the Cuban question Cleveland must follow suit or lose the trick.

There is no danger of war, but there is a sufficient chance of it to make preparation for it on our part a good business proposition. The fellows who predicted a dry winter might find it profitable to turn their prophecy mills into rain-making machines.

The deficit in the treasury is a hole into which Democracy will fall this year, no matter what kind of platform is built over it. If the war talk of the season leads to better coast defenses and an increase of the navy it will not be unprofitable talk by any means.

The resolutions in favor of Cuban independence are certain to have some effect, and if we do not have action we may look for reaction. There is only one climate in the world where you can have lilacs blooming and snow on the ground in the same garden, and we've got it.

It goes without saying that none of the financial statements of this administration will ever be used as a Democratic campaign document. The public debt, less cash in the treasury, increased nearly \$100,000,000 in February, and the consistency of the Democratic record was preserved.

Stockton makes a good offer for the Wilmerding school, but the school should make its home in San Francisco and stay where the students are. As there is reason to believe that the snow saved many fruit trees, we may as well put it down among the advantages of our climate and begin to brag about it.

When the Donahue fountain and Stevenson fountain are added to the rest we shall have the right to call San Francisco the fountain city and challenge the world to competition. As the British propose to spend \$5,000,000 in adding to the military and naval equipment at Gibraltar, it is evident that while they may talk of peace they are not willing to trust to nature to keep it.

All the votes cast against the Cuban resolutions in the House came from Maine, Vermont, Massachusetts, Virginia, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Texas. It was New England and the South against the rest of the country. There may be many differences between the brutality of prize-fighting and the manly sport of boxing to a finish, but the only difference apparent to the casual observer is that one has to hunt a hole in Mexico and the other plays to crowded houses anywhere around New York or Boston.

NATIONAL FINANCES.

The financial statement issued by the Treasury Department on Tuesday shows that during the month of February there was an increase of the interest-bearing debt of the Nation to the amount of \$75,252,350.

In the non-interest-bearing debt there was a decrease, but not sufficient for the month as an increase in the public debt, less cash in the treasury, amounting to \$13,978,734.

The total deficit for the current fiscal year is now in excess of \$36,000,000, and but four months of the year remain. What chance is there on this showing for the fulfillment of Carlisle's prophecy of a surplus at the end of the year? With what sort of face can the administration or its supporters in Congress any longer pretend that the existing tariff is sufficient for the revenue needs of the country and that further tariff legislation is not necessary for the public welfare?

The condition of the gold reserve, moreover, is almost as bad as that of the revenues. It is true that the statement shows a deficit in the full sum of \$100,000,000, which has been fixed, but while at the \$110,000,000 which the recent bond issue was sold, \$95,904,722 has been paid in gold on account, the net gain for the treasury in gold coin and bars for the month amounts to only \$68,002,641.

Very little gold, comparatively speaking, remains to be paid on the loan, but the drain goes on continually, and it is only a matter of time when the reserve will be broken again and a new loan will be called for. It will be remembered that when in the recent debate on the tariff it was stated in the Senate that Cleveland had said no further revenues are needed, Senator Sherman replied: "I do not care what the President says. Every one within the hearing of my voice knows there is a deficit in the revenue and that it is increasing every month."

At that time Sherman estimated the total deficit for the current fiscal year would exceed \$30,000,000. It is in excess of that amount now and is hardly likely to be reduced. It acts along with the export of gold in draining the reserve and the two combined keep up the endless chain that draws new bond issues into being and increases the National debt by leaps and bounds.

In the face of these deficits Mr. Carlisle, who has repeatedly declared there would be no deficits, has been put forward as the Cleveland candidate for the Presidency. If he estimates public opinion in the same way he estimates public revenues he may think there would be no deficit in his vote, and it would be pleasing to have the Democrats give him a trial.

IN THE EVENT OF WAR.

Should war occur between the United States and Spain, which, to say the least, is not impossible, Cuba would not be the sole objective point for the assaults of this country. There lies in the Malay archipelago a group consisting of some 1200 islands, of which about one-third are inhabited, known as the Philippine Islands and composing one of the most cherished and valuable possessions of Spain. These islands contain a population of nearly 7,000,000 and have been for many years a never-failing source of revenue to the Spanish Government.

Spain took possession of these islands in 1584. Manila, the capital, was taken by the British in 1762 and the city saved itself from plunder only by agreeing to pay a ransom of \$5,000,000. These islands are known chiefly, it need hardly be said, for their production and export of the cigars known generally as Manilas, or cheroots, in which an enormous business is done, especially with China, Japan and the Orient generally; but tobacco is not the only export from the Philippines. A few years ago (the latest figures available being used) these islands exported hemp to the value of \$5,460,454, sugar to the value of \$7,995,000, cheroots and tobacco \$2,023,000, and coffee \$2,939,518, the total annual export being in pesos or practically silver dollars \$25,254,140.

AROUND THE CORRIDORS.

Andre Lazard, the millionaire banker of Paris, whose father, the senior of Lazard, Freres & Co. amassed a fortune in San Francisco in the early mining days, an unassuming young man. He says he is giving no thought to money these days.

He and his brother, Max Lazard, left Paris several months ago. "We are on a tour of the world," said the former Mr. Lazard at the Palace, yesterday, "and have been away from France and other money centers too long to know just what the conditions of the finances, generally speaking, are. In reference to money, situations change very rapidly."

MR. HARMON'S HASTE.

The present trend of affairs at Washington with reference to the adjustment of the debt of the Pacific roads is to regard the matter as a "business proposition" and ignore the knaveries out of which all the existing evils have come. Attorney-General Harmon has stepped forth valiantly in support of this idea, and in doing so has exhibited a haste which overturns the precedent of his office and ties his hands if the Government should decide to proceed against the roads on a plan taking cognizance of their old casualties.

In reply to questions addressed to him by the House Committee on Pacific Roads he has expressed the opinion that if the officers or directors of a company make an unlawful issue of stock they are amenable to the lawful stockholders and not to a creditor of the company; that in plundering the company by means of fraudulent contracts made with themselves for construction they are amenable to the company and not to the United States as a creditor; that if the Government should intervene as a complainant in order to establish the rights of the company and the liability of the dishonest officers or directors it would merely be representative of the company, would raise no issue that the company could not have raised and would be bound by the statute of limitations applicable to the company.

This is exactly in line with the contention that Mr. Huntington makes and that Senator Morgan of Alabama opposes. Its purpose is to shut off inquiry into the way in which the Central Pacific, by means of its Contract and Finance Company, misappropriated shares that could have been made to apply to the debt owing the government if the company had decided to extinguish the debt. Mr. Harmon cites with evident satisfaction the decision of the Supreme Court in the Credit Mobilier case, but it should be remembered that at that time the point vital to the present case had not been made prominent—namely, that by reason of the swindles perpetrated by the construction company the Government was defrauded, and that such was the purpose, or at least the inevitable result of that company's practices.

In any event it was exceedingly bad taste for the Attorney-General to answer the inquiries made by the committee, just as it was altogether out of place for the committee to propound the inquiries. Mr. Harmon's corporation affiliations are notorious, but no one ever believed that he would have the hardihood to tie the hands of the legal branch of the Government by a hasty and almost flippant opinion on a subject involving the Government's claim to many millions of dollars. The administration will be in a ridiculous plight if circumstances should require it to proceed with foreclosure against the Pacific roads.

THE NAVAL RESERVE.

William Thaw Dennison has published a highly suggestive plan for developing the efficiency of the American naval reserve. It contemplates an organization and functions altogether distinct from those of the regular navy and occupying a position about half way between the army and the navy and serviceable to both. He points out the folly of expecting to make marines out of bodies of men by giving them a year's training on a man-of-war once a year, declaring, properly that the business of a marine is one requiring a year and a half of constant practice to master. His idea is simply to abandon the plan of giving the reserve a sea training and to make it proficient in the art of defending the coast.

In case of a war with England that country would have two convenient bases of operations from which to assail our Atlantic seaboard—Halifax and the Bermudas, each only two days distant from our coast. Not only are the heavy commercial and manufacturing interests of the United States centered largely in exposed cities directly upon or lying near the Atlantic Coast, but the great manufacturing centers and the great manufacturing plants are there situated, and their capture and destruction by an enemy would paralyze our defense. In the one city of New Haven, for instance, absolutely unprotected, are the Winchester Arms Company, the Marlin Firearms Company and the Ideal Manufacturing Company, while the investment of New York and Washington would be an unthinkable calamity.

Whatever account the navy may give of itself in defending the coast, the fact remains that the fortified defenses themselves are ridiculously inadequate and that there is such an enormous stretch of coast to guard that it might be impossible to assemble our vessels promptly at any particular point threatened with a formidable fleet. Now it is not the business of the navy to have a thorough knowledge of every point on the coast to be defended, and as the local garrisons have all that properly belongs to them as soldiers there is no adequate provision for arms and service which the naval reserve might be made to represent. The business of the reserve would be to make a special study of the coast and its defenses, and to perform the work of scouting, signaling, dispatching, torpedo laying and working, organizing mosquito fleets, training volunteers and the like.

THE STEVENSON MONUMENT.

A SUGGESTION THAT IT BE BUILT IN THE FORM OF A LIGHTHOUSE. To the Editor of the Call—Sir: On examining the pictures of the proposed fountain to be erected on Portsmouth square that appeared in THE SUNDAY CALL the one by Tilden is unquestionably the most artistic of the five, still that does not satisfy our ideal of the subject—a beautiful and artistic fountain is very rare.

It is not a fountain, but a structure in the form of a lighthouse substituting a lamp for the usual lantern on the top. The immediate base representing a rocky cliff with water gushing from the crevices, and the water falling down here, the waterfalls. But if there should be an objection to the waterfall on account of waste this could be arranged so as to be inoperative when the water is not required; the basin might be made ornamental. Let there be no hurry, but take time to consider the subject, for we have better things to offer than this monument to a schoolboy, but an ornament to the neighborhood. By all means let the monument be placed in Portsmouth square, for the plaza affords plenty of room and the fountain would be a great convenience.

THE WILMERDING DONATION.

WHY THE SCHOOL FOR WHICH IT PROVIDES SHOULD BE LOCATED IN SAN FRANCISCO. To the Editor of the Call—Sir: In your paper of a few days ago appeared a notice of a meeting of the State University Regents, held to consider the selection of a site for the school provided for by the Wilmerding donation. In the report of the proceedings it is stated that a very great number of free sites were offered to the regents from various places in the State, and notably from towns across the bay, requiring the expense of a site here in San Francisco, and while the promoters of the proposed institution; and while the promoters of the various sites were lavish in advocacy of their locations no one appeared to represent San Francisco in the case.

Now, Mr. Editor, as a mere looker-on in Vienna," the writer of this dares to say that whatever claim or sites are advanced in favor of any or all other sites will apply with equal force to a site in San Francisco, while to the selection of a site here San Francisco has a claim—if not a positive right—of character and strength to which no other place in California has any pretense.

This "Wilmerding bequest or donation" is of San Francisco origin—the donor's life was spent here, all his business interests were here, his associations and friendships. His large fortune was made here, and we must suppose that he meant in his bequest to honor the memory of the proposed institution. But beyond all this the conditions of putting the site here is a great bequest should insure the selection of a site for the school to be the working class, the mechanics and artisans of California and their children, and that here we have a working class in the State, except in this City, which is the head and center of the mechanical and industrial enterprise of the State. Shall we have to send over to Alameda, Contra Costa

OTHER COUNTY OUR CONTINGENT OF PUPILS TO RECEIVE INSTRUCTION UNDER THIS BEQUEST AT COST OF THE STATE.

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PERSONAL.

E. B. Tyler of Tulare is in the City. Dr. N. L. Pace of Tulare is in the City. Dr. O. H. Simons of Redding is in town. W. G. Thorne of Phoenix, Ariz., is at the City.

F. C. Malpas, a business man of Portland, is in town. Colonel George T. Hooper of Sonoma is at the Occidental. C. E. Tinkham, a business man of Chico, is at the Grand.

Senator A. P. Hall of Placer County arrived here yesterday. Rud Metz of Stelwitz, Germany, is among recent arrivals here. Charles Cosgrove, a mining man of Angels, arrived here last night.

Charles P. Masterson, a leading attorney of Tacoma, is at the Palace. Hon. Jeremiah Ryan, a well-known capitalist of Fresno, is at the Cosmopolitan. J. W. Linscott, Superintendent of Public Instruction at Santa Cruz, is in the City.

F. J. Mason, a leading fruit-grower of Newcastle, arrived here yesterday and is at the Grand. C. E. Day, ex Commissioner of Los Angeles County, and long a business man in the city of Los Angeles, is at the Grand.

Patrick Walsh of Bodie, who has extensive mining interests in that part of the country, is registered at the Cosmopolitan. W. R. Fuller, formerly of Whittier, Fuller & Co. will leave for Los Angeles on the Corona in a day or two for a week's visit to the Grand.

C. F. McLaughlin, long editor and proprietor of the Truckee Republican, and now manager of the Truckee Ice Carnival, is in the City. J. F. Clapp of Chicago, who some time ago became interested in mines in Tuolumne County, is at the Grand, accompanied by several friends.

Among leading Los Angeles people now here are the following: Joseph D. Lynch, formerly proprietor of the Herald; Senator S. M. Andrews, Deputy Sheriff Guy Woodward and C. E. Day, foreman of the Grand Jury. Colonel John T. Harrington of Colusa, the battle-scarred veteran who has been in Kentucky in aid of Huntington for the last few weeks, arrived here yesterday, but soon after left for his home at Colusa. He was accompanied by Mrs. Harrington.

CALIFORNIANS IN NEW YORK. NEW YORK, N. Y., March 3.—New York arrivals: J. H. Fanning, Imperial; J. Foster and wife, W. L. Huggson, Grand; W. S. Lyon, Vendome; G. Atherton, P. Marsh, Grand Union; M. L. Lawrence, St. Cloud.

AN ATTRACTIVE COMBINATION. The very newest shape in bodices is the coat blouse in the Louis XVI style. The waist and skirt are generally of different materials, the latter being usually of satin or smooth one-toned cloth. A handsome model seen had skirt of gray cloth. The jacket was of tender leaf green with bright flowers strewn sparsely over its surface. The vest was of soft yellowish lace. The corsette revers and jacket edges were trimmed with a fringe of storm marten fur. Above the crushed collar of the silk was a ruff of rosy ribbon that matched in hue the flowers.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

CORBETT AND JACKSON—A. C. R., City. The fight between James J. Corbett and Peter Jackson, which was declared "no contest," was fought on the 21st of May, 1891.

A FIVE-DOLLAR PRIZE—M. M., City. No premium is offered for a five-dollar piece of the issue of 1853. It is in the hands of a collector and will be sold for a five-dollar piece of the issue of 1853.

THE BOERS—A. S., City. This column is not open to debates or controversies. It cannot insert an argument on "Resolved, That the Boers are justified in the stand they have taken against the English invasion of the Transvaal."

FITZSIMMONS-CROYSSETT—C. R., Merced, Cal. On June 13, 1894, Robert Fitzsimmons and Joseph Croyssett met in the Boston (Mass.) Theater for a six-round contest under Queensberry rules. In the sixth round the police interfered and the contest was declared a draw.

PUBLISHING A BOOK—P. J. S., City. There are several publishing-houses in this City, the addresses of which can be found in the directory, that will publish a book on natural science, provided satisfactory arrangements can be made, but this department cannot advertise such firms or recommend any.

JOHN L. SULLIVAN—J. C., Vacaville, Cal. Sullivan and Mitchell fought at Chantilly, France, on March 10, 1889, thirty-nine rounds, and the fight was declared a draw. Sullivan was whipped by Corbett at New Orleans in twenty-one rounds on September 7, 1892. The fight lasted one hour and fifty minutes, and was for \$45,000—\$25,000 purse and \$20,000 stakes.

REP ANTS—The following is given as a method of exterminating flies, wasps and other insects with larid and set it where these insects abound. They prefer larid to anything else and will forsake sugar for it. Place a few sticks of larid in the place for the ants to climb over. Occasionally turn the plate bottom up over the fire and the ants will fall in with the melting larid. Reset the plate and in a short time you will catch them all.

ALUMINUM—M. S., City. Aluminum is not found in any of our States. It is found in all kinds of rocks and is obtained by metallic oxides in sapphire, ruby, emerald, and so forth. Aluminum occurs principally as silicate in the various clays; as silicate containing calcium fluoride in the various clays; as silicate of iron, magnesium, lime and so forth in garnet; with potassium, sodium, magnesium and calcium in immiscible silicates; as silicate of iron, magnesium, lime and so forth in garnet; with potassium, sodium, magnesium and calcium in immiscible silicates; as silicate of iron, magnesium, lime and so forth in garnet; with potassium, sodium, magnesium and calcium in immiscible silicates.

HOTEL-KEEPERS—F. S. P., City. Section 1561 of the Civil Code gives a hotel-keeper the right to hold the baggage of a guest for non-payment of board and lodging. The following section provides that if, at the expiration of ten days after the date of the guest's departure, the baggage is not reclaimed, it may be sold for the hotel-keeper, who may sell the same by auction, after having duly advertised the sale. He is allowed to take out of the proceeds what is due him, and the balance, if there be any, must be turned over to the County Treasurer to be held for the owner.

SKY-SCRAPER—E. G. S., Livermore, Cal. "Sky-scraper" was originally intended to apply to anything that would scrape "a sky," which word when first used meant a cloud, and it was used to designate an imaginary sail set alongside of the moon, sky-grazers and the like, and was jokingly assumed to be carried in the days when said power was the sole reliance at sea. United States vessels at that time were considered the fastest afloat, and as a result of the fact it was asserted that they carried sky-scrapers.



Andre Lazard, the Great Banker of Paris, whose father was a Pioneer Banker of San Francisco.

[Sketched from life by a "Call" artist.]

situation is very different in New York to-day from what it was a month ago. It is so all over the world. "But, as I have been paying little attention to money lately, I hesitate to say much about it. No, I never was in San Francisco before, though my father was one of the pioneers here. I am seeing it for the first time."

It is said the Lazard stand close up to the Rothschilds now with their wealth, it having grown greatly in recent years. Besides their house in Paris they have one in London and another in New York. The New York house does the biggest exchange business of any in America. It handles an amount of gold that is unapproached by any other bank of the country.

Andre Lazard speaks English as fluently as any Californian. He appears to be about 27 years old. The brothers will remain here probably several weeks. They are largely interested in the London, Paris and American Bank here, the successor of the house founded by the elder Lazard.

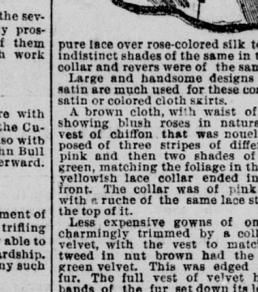
"UNDRESS PARADE." Of "dress parade" you all have heard, And, besides, you have seen The things that are done in the blue Wheel grandly on the green. But I've an army which, I'm sure, Has the right to be dressed in green. Though you hunt north, south, east and west Has the right to be dressed in green. At every night's eight o'clock, Its line of march is made. And in the morning, when it comes To give "Undress Parade."

A prouder general than I Ne'er issued a command; A prouder army than my own Exists not in the land. Two drummers always lead the way, And the band is in the band. With heads erect, and faces front, They march, they halt, they wheel, and they are dressed in green. Of uniforms and guns; And then I call "Attention!" "Now march!" "By ones!"

At last, when I am satisfied That everything is right; That uniforms are brushed, and faces clean, And that the ranks are white, I cry out "Company! Rank ranks!" The sound each man hears: "Double quick!" They run into my arms. The drums are dropped, and muskets, too; And the band is in the band. And hugs me tight and says, "Good night!" Then scampers off to bed. FRANCIS CURTIS WILKINS.

DUSTSTORM AT SEA. SINGULAR CIRCUMSTANCES THAT OCCURRED OFF THE AFRICAN COAST. To the Editor of the San Francisco Call—Sir: I notice in an issue of your journal an account of a "duststorm" experienced at sea. Thinking it would be interesting to the public, I relate a similar occurrence that happened when I was in command of the British bark Flora in 1875. We were bound from Cardiff to Montevideo. When in latitude 20 deg. 00 min. north, longitude 27 deg. 00 min. west, being about 600 miles from the coast of Africa, the weather being fine and the wind moderate from north-east, a peculiar kind of haze appeared, and in a short time we found the rigging, sails and deck of the ship covered with a very fine dust. We came to the conclusion that the dust had been raised by a storm in the deserts of Africa, and carried to the position where we encountered it. B. E. HOLMAN, Occidental, Sonoma County, March 2, 1896.

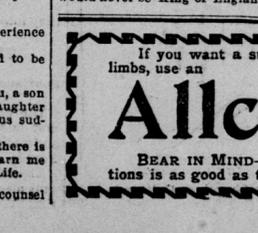
Views of Western Editors. United We Stand. Alameda Telegram. This is a Republic year if the party stands united. It will be Difficult. Bakersfield Californian. It will be very difficult to convince unprejudiced people that there were not some very questionable proceedings in connection with the late bond issuance. The Poolrooms Doomed. Blue Lake Advocate. The poolrooms in San Francisco are literally doomed by the decision of Judge Wallace sustaining the ordinance against selling pools anywhere except on racetracks. The Key Note. Tulare Register. The Register firmly believes that if the several towns of our county are to be truly prosperous they must establish in each of them some small industry which will furnish work for the people. England's Sympathies. Los Angeles Times. Of course "English sympathies" are with Spain and on the side of oppression in the Cuban affair. English sympathies were also with the South during our civil war, and John Bull paid well for the same in cold cash afterward. An Unjust Tax. Los Angeles Herald. To the man of wealth the annual payment of a two dollar fine called a poll tax is a trifling matter, but to the man who is scarcely able to procure the necessities of life it is a hardship. There is no foundation in justice for any such tax. Governor Budd's Proposition. Tulare Register. Governor Budd has made a proposition which is likely to be "catchy." It is that warmish as liquor selling and liquor drinking have caused much of the insanity and imbecility of the State, therefore there ought to be a uniform law to prohibit the sale and a portion of such license ought to go to the support of the State's asylum. HUMOR OF THE HOUR. "How tedious it is playing whist with such a partner as that Miss Gadabout!" "Yes; I believe that girl would eat the Angel Gabriel. 'What's trumps?'"—Detroit Free Press. "Perkins, why does Lent last forty days?" "Because it takes most women that long to decide what kind of Easter bonnets they want."—Chicago Record. "I like your appearance. Have you served in many families?" said Mrs. Jones to Matilda Snowball, who applied for a position. "I have been in more than twenty families in Dallas de Mexico." It is that warmish as folks who is going on ermong de society folks."—Texas Sifter. "What is the amount of the poll tax, John?" asked Mrs. Cawker. "One dollar," replied Mr. Cawker. "When we women get the ballot we shall mark it down to 99 cents."—Harpers Bazar. Wife—What a happy looking couple those two are. I wonder how long they have been married. Husband—Oh, I guess they're only engaged. New York Weekly. Miss Quizzer—Do you believe all the disagreeable things you read in the newspapers? Miss Buzbug—I do if they're about people I know.—Roxbury Gazette. Head of Firm—Have you had any experience in collecting? Applicant—I should say I had. I used to be a county minister.—Judge. Old Washington Heights—And so you, a son of the Revolution, want to take our daughter from us. You want to take her from us suddenly, without a word of warning? Young Harlemitie—Not at all, sir. If there is anything about her you want to war me against I'm willing to listen.—Harlem Life. "Gentlemen of the jury," proceeded counsel



pure love over rose-colored silk to tone in with indistinct shades of the same in the skirt. The collar and revers were of the same heavy lace. Large and handsome designs of flowers on satin are much used for these coats with black satin or colored cloth skirts. A brown cloth, with waist of brown satin showing blush roses in natural tints, had a vest of chiffon that was novel. It was composed of three stripes of different colors, pink and then two shades of rather light green, matching the foliage in the brocade. A yellowish lace collar ended in revers and front. The collar was of pink mirror velvet with a ruche of the same lace standing out of the top of it. Less expensive gowns of one fabric are charmingly trimmed by a collar of silk or velvet, with the vest to match. A mixed form of lace gowns had the collar of sea-green velvet. This was edged with neutral fur. The full vest of velvet had four-inch bands of the fur set down its length. A circular piece of velvet set in the top of the collar formed a frill that parted about three inches in front.

PARAGRAPHS ABOUT PEOPLE. Sir Arthur Sullivan's full name is Arthur Seymour Sullivan. To avoid the unfortunate combination of initials the second name has been discreetly dropped. Zola's enemies are preparing an anthology of the objectionable words and phrases in his works, to be presented to the French Academy when he next offers himself as a candidate. Joel Luman of Burlington, Ky., is 6 feet 4 inches tall and weighs 354 pounds, and he has a son and a daughter each exactly as tall as himself, though by no means so heavy. Colonel John S. Cunningham of North Carolina said to be the owner of the largest tobacco farm in the United States. He had nearly 3,000,000 hills to cultivate and harvest last year. Whist-players will be sorry to hear of the death of John Petch Hewby, who wrote under the assumed name of "Pembroke" several able treatises and articles on the game in its most scientific aspects. In all the world there is but one man who can read the translation of the Bible into the language of the aborigines, which was made by Elliot in what is now Faxon, Mass., in 1649. That man is the well-known antiquarian, Trumbull, of Hartford, Conn. The Prince of Wales has been much depressed since the death of Battenberg. It seems that Albert Edward and Henry had their fortunes told by a gypsy some years ago. The Prince of Wales was informed that he would never be King of England, and Henry would be.

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