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MR. PESCHKOFF.

THE reading world has made the acquaintance of Mr. Peschkoff, as Maxim Gorky, through his contributions to the morbid and pathological literature of the time.

We have not known much about him in this country. Tolstoy talks English fluently, and many Americans, literary and otherwise, have called on him, and he has talked freely with them of his socialistic views and his ideas of human government.

He has come now to this country to promote the revolutionary propaganda in Russia, to raise money to buy arms, and is angry because Americans inquire into the status of the woman with whom he lives, and whom he introduces into American homes.

We enter no judgment concerning it. He is in the United States in behalf of a cause that has the sympathy of our people, so far as it involves the divorce of Russian church and state, the granting of a political constitution, liberty of conscience and a civilized jurisprudence.

His conduct so far has indicated that he is evil disposed toward all government. He looks upon the calm judgment of the law in this country, and upon public trial, with the burden of proof upon the state, with the same hatred that he expresses toward the secret and tyrannical processes of injustice in his own country.

Some one should show Mr. Peschkoff his error. We have a close season for American Governors and ex-Governors. In this country the people make the law and elect Governors to execute it.

We have had some experiences with Russian Socialists that were not pleasant. During a strike in New York a Russian immigrant made a rousing speech to a mob of his countrymen, in which he said: "We can do as we please here. We must save our money and buy rifles, and we can put down these tobacco chewing Americans."

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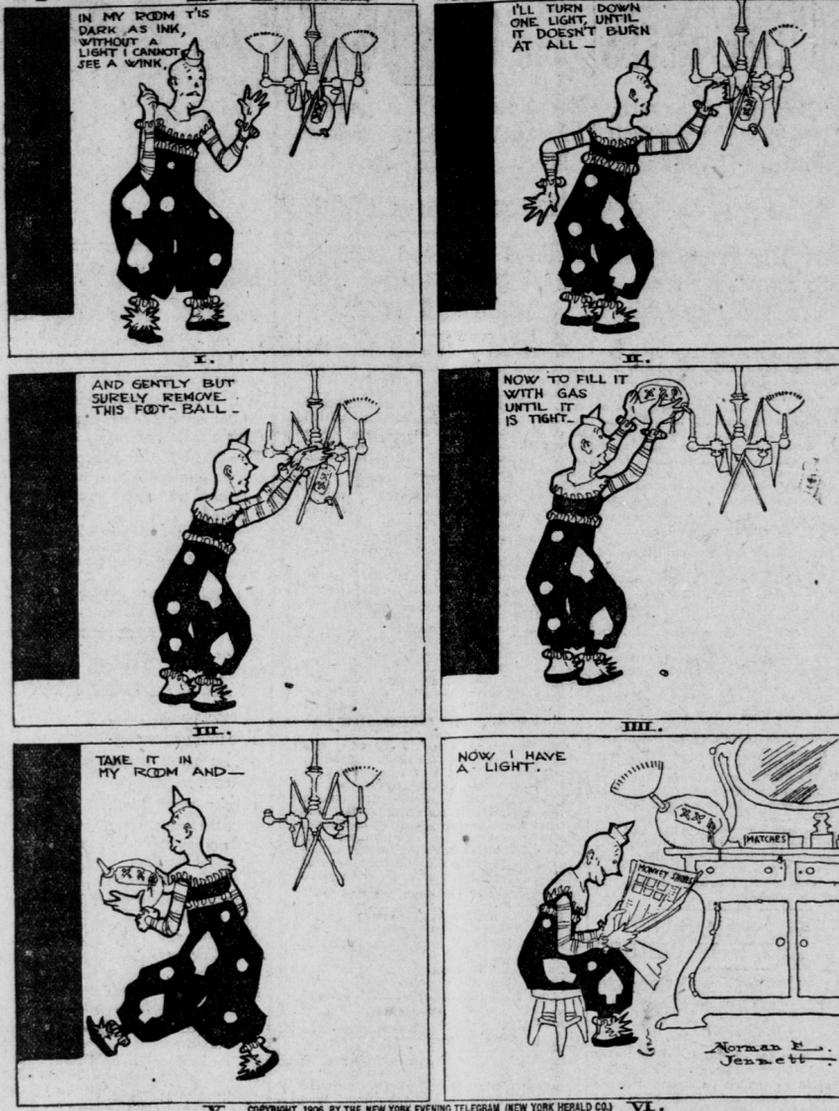
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BITS OF FUN

HIS TURN NOW.—Archie Feather-top—Miss Dora, has your father ever said anything about me?

Dora Hope—He hasn't mentioned your name, but I heard him asking mamma the other day who that young fellow was that had been hanging around here lately, and—

THE NEW EXPLANATION.—The New Stenographer—Here is the letter, sir. The Boss—Eh. But hold on. There are several misspelled words here.

ALAS, NOT SO.—"Oh, it must be fine to be a poet," exclaimed the sweet thing. "It ought to be more," replied the practical one. "It ought to be fine and imprisonment."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

COULDN'T CORNER THE DEACON.—Elder Keapalong—Deacon, you believe that everything that takes place is fore-ordained, don't you?

CONTRASTS.—"Women certainly do run to extremes in their eating." "For instance?"

HELPING HIM ON.—"Now, for my part," said Mr. Timmid, tentatively, "I wouldn't dare think of marrying."

AND HE ESCAPED.—"Miss Jingleby is either very grouchy or very considerate of one's feelings—I don't know which."

UNCLE BIFF'S OBSERVATIONS.

It was worse than an uprisin' in China when Jeff Jackson set down on that red hot hoss shoe 'tother day.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

TAKING ANOTHER'S RESPONSIBILITY

By Wallace Rice.

I HAVE been impressed in my acquaintance with men in successful business and professional life with the care many of them take to shoulder not only the responsibilities which are manifestly their share of the world's work, but with the fact that they also shoulder a large number of the burdens which ought rightly to fall upon the backs of their subordinates.

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ANSWERS TO VARIOUS QUERIES.

TWO BANDS—M. A. M. City. As this department has no desire to open up a controversy, it cannot answer the question as to which of the two bands named is the best.

GERMAN-JEW—Subscriber, City. A boy born to German-Jewish parents in the United States is eligible, upon attaining the age of thirty-five years, and having prior to arriving at that age resided

A PLAY—G. B. T. City. If a novel is copyrighted and announces "all rights reserved," you would not have the right to use the plot or the characters for "the purpose of constructing a play" without the consent of the writer of the novel

PEOPLE IN THE EYE OF THE PUBLIC.

MISS MARIE HALL, the violinist, who has recently returned from the United States to England, sums up her impressions of this country in four words: "Toed water; hot hotels."

Henry H. Rogers has been reappointed Superintendent of Streets of Fairhaven, Mass.; Alfred Marshall, with an income of \$4000 a week, is running for trustee of Mamaroneck; Mrs. Mackay, worth \$2,000,000 or \$4,000,000, is school-director of Roslin, L. I., and two farmers worth a million apiece are tied for Mayor of Ida Grove, Ia.

With the closing in Lancaster, Pa., of the hotel of John A. Shank, who allowed his privilege to lapse, passed out of existence a license first granted in 1726 and renewed annually since then. It was in this hotel that Lancaster Lodge of Masons was instituted, in 1788, and there General Lafayette was entertained when he visited Lancaster.

The four principal personages in the British Empire, ranking after royalty, are Scotch—the Prime Minister, the Archbishop of York, the Lord Chancellor and the Archbishop of Canterbury. The Governor General of India is of the same race, as are several who hold important offices in the Ministry, such as the Chief Secretary and the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

John Burns, the radical member of Parliament, was addressing a meeting in the district which he represents. He said he was now engaged in a job where the general rate of pay is \$2000 a year, and

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OCCIDENTAL ACCIDENTALS

By A. J. Waterhouse

ABOUT CALIFORNIA.

WE do not claim that it is perfect; we let it talk for itself.

The man who prefers cyclones and blizzards ought to be indulged. Also, he who chooses to raise his choice flowers in a hothouse should be indulged.

You could not make some people believe that roses, like sunshine, may be so common as to be scarcely noticed; but it is so.

I actually heard a man—a sort of a man—complain about the monotony of sunlight, but it should be unnecessary to say that he lived in the Golden State. Even the most disgruntled complainer has to have his chance.

A Jin transported an Easterner to California while the latter slept, and the Easterner really thought that he was in heaven until he got acquainted with some of the people here.

Every prospect pleases, and on— But it is well to know when one has said all that need be said.

"At his own request, he was buried in a gold-plated coffin."

"What do you suppose was his idea in that?"

"Probably wished to get the use of his gold just as long as he could."

"Don't you think she has a very feeling way of expressing herself?"

"Perhaps so; but her husband says it is more 'touching' than feeling."

GET READY FOR DE SHOWAH.

De sun kep' climbin' up de sky, de sun kep' slidin' down, An' folks dey laff at Noah den an' say dey shon' drown.

"De oldest settlin'," so dey say, "dat allahs lives an' thrives ter crash, He 'nounces dat dah's den no flood lak dat one yo' describes."

But Noah still distrusts dat ahk all outer hick'ry wood, An' dries de animals derein de way he shoud, An' folks dey say, "Dis 'nagerie is shuah exceedin' some'—"

Oh, yes, de showah come, An' den, de showah come, An' folks looked midlin' stum, W'iles all deir plans an' rangements dey wus slightly on de bum;

But Noah, on'y laff an' laff ter pase de Joy-ful hour, An' ax 'em w'iles he feeds de calves, "How does yo' lak de shower?"

De moral ob dis scripchah heah, mah chillun, Jes w'en yo' tink de sun 'll shine, dah's lak ter be a rain.

We weans our bes' cioser ter de show, an' den de showah come, An' jes de looks ob dem dah close is 'nough ter strike yo' dumb.

We lays our little yearly plans ter see dem go ter smash, Foh w'en de Lawd say, "Let 'er rain!" de rich-ah's grins ter crash.

We does our bes' de Lawd den say, "Ah spee's Ah'll show mah powah," An den dah is er showah!

Dah sartin' is er showah, Oh, twenty-ingins powah; De watah creeps, an' highah creeps, ter drench our man-made bowah;

An' all Ah knows ob ph'losophy, an' Ah's is jes' sit ready foh de showah, for hit am shuah ter come.

"Did you read that a woman led a pig through the streets of New York City the other day?"

"Yes."

"What did you think of the episode?"

"That the best critter of the two probably was at the rear end of the string."

"Yes, he is a good man, I guess, but he always reminds me of an augur."

"Because an augur is sharp, I suppose?"

"No, because it is constructed to bore."

The man who laughs at other men Who find banana peels, And blithely step upon them, Then, Enchanting heels for heels, If he steps on a fragrant near Shows ecstacy that's small— I've often noticed, and it's queer, He never laughs at all.

"She is one of the best wives I ever knew."

"What makes you consider her so?"

"Why, she always pretends that she does not know the hour when her husband gets home from the club."

"Does she pretend that she does not know his condition?"

"Well, wives are human, you know."

or owner of the copyright. If otherwise, this department knows of no hindrance to proceeding to "construct a play."

NATIVES—A Subscriber, City. A child is a native of the country in which born, no matter in what part of the world. A boy born to American parents in Peking, China, is a Chinaman, so far as nationality is concerned, but if the parents were travelling through the country at the time of the birth, or were temporarily sojourning in the country the boy would be an American citizen.

There are signs that Alice Longworth is bringing up her husband properly. In fact, the idea is afloat in Washington that he is fairly well tamed already. He has gone shopping with his wife more than once. "To be sure," says an official in one of the departments, "he went shopping with her before she was his wife, but that doesn't count. It's the shopping he has done since then that makes or breaks the record. The ante-nuptial shopping was expected. The post-nuptial—well, until it is done the taming has not been accomplished. The Washington rule for judging whether the husband has been tamed is to invite him to go shopping in one of the department stores before lunch. If he goes he has been broken to double harness."

THE SMART SET

By Sally Sharp

Today will usher in two weddings attracting attention in the smart set, one a morning affair at Trinity Church, the other to take place this evening at Sausalito.

Mrs. Ellen Gunn Bendix and W. S. Howard will be quietly married at 11 o'clock by the Rev. Dr. Clappert. The service will be read in the presence of only the very closest relatives, and at the close of the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Howard will leave immediately for a short wedding trip.

The marriage of Miss Zelda Sroufe Tiffany and William R. Harrison will take place at 8 o'clock in Christ Church in the suburban town. The bride will be attended by her cousin, Miss Ruth Merrill, as maid of honor, Allen Miller to serve the groom.

A reception to all the guests will be held after the ceremony at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Z. Tiffany, in Sausalito.

The advent of Easter shows a marked tendency toward the rapid convalescence of festivity from the gloom of sack cloth, and despite the opera season, necessarily commanding chief attention, there is room for minor gaieties.

Dinner and luncheons are daily being placed upon the social calendar, while bridge is forging to first position with the confidence its charm inspires.

Secondary only in importance to the grand opera this week is the dance to be given Friday evening in honor of the Gayety Club. The Palace Hotel ballroom is to receive much attention in the way of artistic preparation, and with such a list of eligibles as hosts, the affair will be marked among the swagger events of the season.

An art loan exhibit of rare beauty will be held by the San Francisco Council of Jewish Women on May 2. The collection will be on view at Wheeler's Auditorium.

Mrs. Alice B. Chittenden was at home yesterday in her new studio, 2469 Clay street, receiving a large number of callers.

Miss Helen Woolworth was one of the several hostesses who entertained at dinner at the St. Francis last evening preceding the opera.

Miss Evelyn Griffiths of Sacramento is visiting in town during the grand opera season, the guest of Dr. and Mrs. B. B. Brewer and of Miss Gertrude Gates.

THE FINAL BLOW.

It is said that often when a woman says "no" she means "yes," but, remarks Youth's Companion, there are signs which discourage even the most hopeful and persistent wooer.

"I didn't much mind Hetty's saying 'she' as soon marry a jumping jack as me," said Ethan Hatch, forlornly, to a sympathetic friend; "nor did I much care when she said she'd rather stay at home than go out to Jordan's Park with such a slow-coach as I was; but when she told me she'd go to help mother iron when I asked her to go with me down to the Center for some cream soda, I saw 'twasn't much use hanging on any longer."

SURE, MIKE!

The undersigned wishes to notify the persons who use his store as a landing place that they must stop it; also the spitting on the floor, and it is detrimental to business to have loafers around.

Yours truly, T. C. MIKE.

—Cygnet (Ohio) Review.

PITY THE POOR JAPANESE.

The Japanese have only five obscene and profane words in their language. How they must be handicapped! Fancy a man trying to get the lid off a box of shoe polish or trying to jiu jitsu a 15' collar on to a 1 1/2' shirt and only five words to assist him!—Manila (P. I.) Sun.

Townsend's California glace fruits and choicest candies in artistic stretched boxes. New store, 767 Market.

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DAME FASHION'S MIRROR.

A NEW IDEA IN SEPARATE JACKET.

VISIONS of the shoulder cape, of long ago are recalled by this newest model for the separate silk jacket. The length is that of the shoulder cape, and the neck is high and finished with the same style turnover collar. The fronts are laid in deep pleats, four in number, giving a broad shoulder line, the back built in the same manner, and the very full circular sleeve is set in the armhole under the fourth pleat, which conceals the joining at this point, the sleeve falling in such soft folds that it is scarcely possible to believe without close examination that the little garment is not all in one piece. White broadcloth makes the collar and the simulated vest, these outlined with a fancy openwork silk braid.

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