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## "Emperor George I"

The London Express, usually defender of things as they are, proposes that George V., when crowned next June, take the title of emperor. The greatest of the world's empires with 410,000,000 people, complains the Express, is the only one that has no emperor. Its monarch is called king.

It proposes that the "king" call himself: "Our Sovereign Lord George, by the wish of his peoples Emperor of the British, and by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India."

The Express also proposes an imperial legislative chamber, representing the various countries in the empire. England wants her strapping children oversea—that have outgrown their need of anything she has except motherly love—to support and protect her in her old age. The Express thinks that they would feel a closer relationship to "The Emperor of the British" than to "The King of Great Britain and Ireland, and the British dominions beyond the seas." But it also says that the words "of the British," instead of "British Emperor," suggest that free Britons deliberately choose the principle of monarchy for the headship of the state. Several other British newspapers have endorsed the proposal.

This is risky business, brother Express. You are countenancing that monstrous thing, CHANGE. If you alter the title of your sovereign the people may decide that they can just as easily make another change and select their ruler—one that will consume less than King George's \$3,170,000 a year.

The Express also admits that the people have the power to make any change in existing laws and institutions they wish. The Express says:

"It is evident that the king will only do this if he is assured that it is the wish of his people, for we live in democratic days and in the most democratic empire that the world has ever known."

"If the new title is to be assumed, steps must be taken throughout the empire, and by means of non-party resolutions, to bring the people's will to the knowledge of the people's king."

## No Monopoly of Success

We ARE big. We ARE rich—some of us. We have a great, lively, healthy, smiling country—and we ARE proud of it.

We do produce great men: inventors, statesmen, business men, financiers.

Our women are—no one can dispute this—our women are the handsomest, tenderest, truest in all the world. Frenchmen run after them; Englishmen want to marry them; orientals admire them.

But much of our booraying does more harm than good. While it is fine and patriotic to be proud, we must not become stupidly satisfied.

Crowing over the past does no good; gets nowhere. To crow we have to stand still; waste valuable time flapping our wings.

Instead of flattering the man we see in the looking glass, we might better inform him that he is not such hot stuff, after all. This might induce new effort and lead to the accomplishment of still greater wonders.

Anyhow, let's not forget that the Irish colleen is a thing of beauty and a joy forever. That French women are stylish, chic, fascinating. That English women are obedient, modest and great pedestrians. That German women are good to look upon and essentially feminine; that they make good mothers.

Men aspire and do in all tongues, in all parts of the world. We have no monopoly on either ambition or accomplishment.

We have done very well for youngsters, but we should not forget that we ARE youngsters.

We have much to learn. Being young and virile, we can quickly learn it, and outstrip the older peoples—if we do not stop too often to CROW.

## TEN MINUTES IN LAND OF STORIES

### THE AERIAL LIMITED.

By H. H. Hudson. THE FORM OF A WOMAN CLINGING TO THE ROPE. When the first passenger dirigible made its initial trip between New York and Chicago there was excitement everywhere, but as the seasons came and went people gave little heed to the great torpedo-shaped monsters which coursed the air far above them.

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Why should the girl ask him to thing of her when she knew that one-half of his thought vibration was given to her constantly? He would do more than think of her. He would catch a glimpse of her face as the sky-liner passed. He called up the weather bureau and learned with aching heart that the clouds were expected before morning.

Meanwhile, Dora Nelson sat beside her father in the magnificently appointed apartments of the airship. With joy and enthusiasm she drank in the pure air far above the smoky towns and cities. Below she watched the trains following the threads of steel. There was music, too, and choice refreshments. As the landscape fell away beneath her she gradually became accustomed to the sound of the whirring motors.

Finally the enthusiastic passengers caught the distant blue of the lake dotted with steamers. She learned that they were on time and would reach their destination by 9 o'clock in the evening, while six hours more would land them safely in Chicago. Some of the tourists noticed dark patches of clouds on the horizon, but the electric lights were soon turned on and dangers were forgotten.

At precisely 8:30 Wagner's aeroplane shot up from its course, and after cutting some fantastic figures in the air, rose majestically, circling higher and higher in the constantly increasing breeze. Wagner was an expert, and could rise, dip and turn like a bird. He defied all danger and courted the strong wind. His machine, moreover, was one which had been made under special supervision, and had many improvements over those generally in use.

Occasionally he glanced at his watch. The "limited" had been delayed. He put on full power and headed toward Buffalo. After traveling some distance he caught the light of the oncoming craft, which shone like a huge star in the east, but it was far from its course, and was sailing low over the lake. His heart was in his mouth. Something had gone wrong. Then he saw a rocket go up. It was the signal of distress. The wind grew fiercer, and the forked lightning played in the distant gloom. As he came nearer he heard shouts from the dark waves beneath him, and a flash revealed the struggling forms of the passengers. They were reasonably safe, however, having dropped with life preservers from the ill-fated air craft, which was bent in the form of a semi-circle by the strong blasts. Moreover, a steamer from Buffalo was fast overhauling them.

Another bright flash revealed the frocked dirigible and the form of a woman clinging to the ropes far above the car. She had evidently refused to obey the order to jump, and had trusted herself

to the crippled airship. Dan pursued the huge craft, which lightened of its passengers, was drifting rapidly. As he overhauled the derelict, and passed above the drifting leviathan of the sky, he directed his searchlight to the clinging figure of the girl who hung tremblingly to the ropes, with a life preserver about her, and shouted a name through his megaphone.

An answering cry which thrilled him came back. Then as he sped on, he dropped a weighted line, telling Dora to make it fast about her waist. A motor and windlass did the rest, and in a few moments Dora was seated beside him. Then in the higher currents they left the storm, but as they made their way through the gloom, they saw a blinding flash far behind followed by a loud explosion. The overhead limited had been struck by lightning, and was no more.

Dora and Dan, who is president of the Trans-Continental Airship line, still make their summer trips over the route; and Dora often tells little Dan, who listens with wide-open eyes, of a perilous trip she and his father once had on that awful night.

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## LIKE DOESN'T CURE LIKE



"Did his stay at the sanitarium effect a cure of Adley's disposition to worry?"  
"No—made it worse. He knew it was costing him \$8 a day."

## DIVORCE A BLESSING, HOLDS LONDON JUDGE

LONDON, Eng., Aug. 24.—Judge Plowden, a metropolitan magistrate whose dispensing of justice, common sense and good humor has given him fame, believes that divorce is a blessing and not an evil at all.

Recently expressing his views before the royal commission on divorce law, he said:

"Marriage should be encouraged in every way, and divorce also should be encouraged—not for itself, but for the sake of marriage. So long as people have divorce as a protection marriage becomes a wise investment. Without divorce marriage is a dangerous and mad gamble."

"Would you make divorce cheaper for the poorer classes?" he was asked.

"The value of divorce does not depend upon whether it is cheap or not. Divorce is as much a social necessity as marriage. No marriage should be considered legal unless performed before a registrar or civil magistrate. It is most desirable that people should see that marriage is simply a legal contract. The common sense view of the matter is that if after years of en-

## A POOR RULE



"When you go in to ask father for my hand, Clarence, be sure and put your best foot foremost."  
The Young Man: "Er-yes; but suppose he does, too?"

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Temporary location during erection of new building, 416-420 Sprague Avenue, Between Stevens and Washington.

## PENCIL POINTS

Rockefeller is taking a bath in whisky regularly, say the dispatches. Darn the rich! They're always rubbing their exclusive luxuries under our noses!

It is joyously announced at Beverly that Taft "atill believes in Ballinger." So do we. But Taft wears the boot that could be used in announcing our belief.

Paris milliners decree that women's hats shall be smaller. Glory hallelu—but, jiminy! That's leave more room for those pins to stick out!

Ex-President Roosevelt said of those California primary elections—Hang it all! He didn't say anything!

New York politicians say the fight's on between Teddy and Taft. What a large sponge it'll take to gather up Bill's remains!

Governor Dickinson of Nevada has tried to lick the editor of the Carson News. Took a man with him, so's to even up on the handicap, probably.

Those Gaynor doctors are mighty strong on the bulletins. First thing they know, they'll be making out that shooting was good for the mayor.

Igo, Cal., has had a \$20,000 fire. And Igo's all puffed up because she could have a \$20,000 fire.

## ALPHABET COURTSHIP

Him—O, 4 U I could lay me down and D.  
Her—R, but it can never B.  
Him—O, Y?  
Her—Because we never could G, U J!  
Him—This indeed is L!

## August Clearance Sale

COMMENCES THURSDAY, AUGUST 25. CLOSES AUGUST 31.

BIG REDUCTION ON EVERYTHING.

Ladies' sample shoes, priced from \$1.45 to \$2.45	Men's high top boots, 18 inch Elscinch . . . . . \$5.50
Misses' school shoes, sizes 12 1/4 to 2 . . . . . \$1.65	12 inch Elscinch . . . . . \$4.50
Boys' school shoes, sizes 2 1/2 to 5 . . . . . \$1.25 to \$1.75	Men's high grade riding boots at . . . . . \$6.00
Men's sample work shoes, sizes 7 and 8 . . . . . \$2.00	Cheaper grade . . . . . \$5.00
Men's sample dress shoes, sizes 6 1/2 to 7 1/2 . . . . . \$2.45 and . . . . . \$3.45	Sample gloves . . . . . \$1.20
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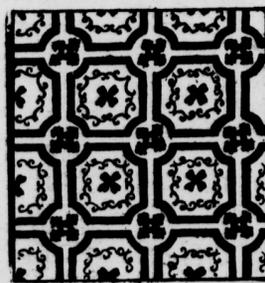
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The linseed oil, which goes into Linoleum has gone up from 35c to \$1 a gallon. Burlap costs half more than a year ago. Cork has advanced. Instead of selling it around half we could hold this Linoleum and get a far higher price than even the prevailing regular figures. But we arranged for the entire quantity months in advance and the makers had to live up to their contract.

We're going to sell it just as low as we can afford, as long as these sixty rolls last. The sale will probably continue Thursday and Friday, but come Thursday to be sure. Bear in mind that they are the genuine Armstrong product. We have sold them for years and have never had a complaint of any description—they are the best printed

Linoleums made. We have soaked samples in water along with other 75c and 85c Linoleums. These Armstrong samples came out like rubber and you could pull the others to pieces!

There are Tile, Floral, Conventional, Hardwood Patterns—everything—3600 yards in all. The manufacturers assure us they will continue to make these same patterns, so you can match in the future the Linoleum you buy in the sale, which is convenient, even though you will have to pay advanced price for them.

Please don't insist upon our delivering them the day of your purchase. Remember to bring your room measures with you. And let us say it again—be here tomorrow, the first day of this sale, if you can. We can't impress upon you too strongly that right now is the time of all times to buy Printed Linoleums! Per yard . . . . . 43c

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### 'MOST ANYTHING

Fun Facts Fiction Froth Fads Folly

Josh Wise Says: "I cured my boy o' smokin' cigars. I smoked one myself ter show him how a man looks with one in his face."

It's just as well to begin to remember to do your Christmas shopping early this year.

About 16,000 persons annually die violent deaths in England and Wales.

"What's an eligible young man, ma?"

"Any young man who owns an automobile, and can afford to keep it in repair."

Cuba exported 1,263,468 crates of pineapples last year. The United States bought most of the crop.

This is how the expression "cock and bull story" originated: In the middle of the seventeenth century numerous mistakes were made in interpreting ancient hieroglyphics. The figures were so uncouth and the rendering so unsatisfactory that in the two of the most common illustrations it was alleged of some translators "they had mistaken a cock for a bull."

ALREADY SUPPLIED

Cavasser—Can I sell the lady of the house a Woman's Boon Companion? It is an automobile number.

Door Maid—I guess not. These folks have already got an automobile number on their car.

### Good Teeth

That's the way you started in life, but you neglected them.

### Poor Teeth

followed and still you neglected them.

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