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### What are You Kicking About?

Please remember, Mr. Man, and Mrs. Lady, too, if times are hard and there's no work to do; if things go wrong and the rent is almost due; if the higher cost of living cuts you down to Irish stew; if the butter's rancid and the milk sky-blue; if the dollars that come are all too few to buy clothes for Willie and Johnnie-boy and sister Sue; if sister's got the mumps and things look blue, and there's another hole in laddie's little shoe; if all the bill collectors come adunning you as if, that you're in trouble every one knew, and you begin cussing the whole blamed crew; if a long drouth brought not even a trace of dew; if when it did rain it never got through; if you expected one and the kind old stork brought two; if you really felt that you'd have to boo-hoo, just stop and think of the little boy or girl who is just being told that dear old Santa Claus is a myth, a fake, a fraud, a never-was, a pipe dream, and that it's only dad plus a few pillows and some white whiskers.

That IS something to grow downhearted about!

### Map of the New Republic

The new republic, created by the voters of the United States on November 8, 1910, is shown on a map in a current magazine.

The entire nation west of the Mississippi, together with Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Massachusetts and Maine, is covered by the shadow of the new institution—POWER FOR THE MASSES—direct nominations and direct legislation.

"The remedy for the evils of democracy is more democracy."  
It's coming.

### PENCIL POINTS

THAT St. Louis head of the family who was fined for beating the cook might do bully on a "For Men Only" lecture circuit.

ARGENTINA is first as a corn and meat exporter and second as to wool and wheat. She has one big city and 14,000,000 acres of cultivated land. Figures worth studying.

SOUTH pole's a goner! The Japs are after it.

FIRST safe balloon ascent and descent were made in 1783. What the fellows who went up said about it has been unfit for publication 127 years.

GEORGE CROCKER willed each of his three stepchildren \$100 of his \$12,000,000 estate, and three swarms of nice lively lawyers are going to try to put that estate into general circulation.

POWER of prayer is said to have brought to a Yonkers, N. Y., boy who was unconscious for 43 days. And here we've been trying the opposite of power of prayer on our unconscious telephone exchange for nigh onto 43 years without one blamed bit of effect!

JUDGE PETIT of Chicago wants people to wear tags showing whether they're married, single, grasswidow or willing to be. Nope! "I wouldn't be two days before Pierrp Morgan would be grinding us with a tag trust."

KATHRYN FRYSSINGER, noted Philadelphia society beauty, has thrown society into hysterics by marrying a journeyman barber.

'NOTHER child of Lucky Baldwin, by an unrecorded marriage, demands \$2,500,000. It's going to take some red hot finance to make Lucky's estate go around.

CHICAGO doctors announce that Jack Johnson has no nerve weakness. Here's where doctors and police agree.

STARS are gigantic suns, some of them a million times as big as the earth, says Professor Larkin. And that's what we thought after telling our butcher that meat prices had dropped.

AN Iowa editor declares that the decrease in his state's population is a "flattering testimony to its prosperity, because land has doubled in value the last ten years." If it goes on increasing until nobody but tenants can live there, how riotously prosperous Iowa will be!

WASHINGTON judge sentenced a prisoner to four years, whereupon the man's baby cried out. "Sentence reduced to one year on account of the child," said the kind hearted judge. Always have your baby in court when up for sentence.

TRIUMPHANT Washington suffragettes announce, "We are to be conservative, thoughtful and helpful." Sounds as nice as anything the statesmen have said.

## Our Growth Speaks Most Eloquenty

OF THE DENTAL WORK WE HAVE DONE AND ARE NOW DOING FOR THE PEOPLE OF SPOKANE AND THE NORTHWEST

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### "TOO MUCH PRAYIN' AND TOO FEW TIPS"



"Ah got mah cure of traveling with them folks," said J. A. Ross, negro porter who attended the party of John D. Rockefeller, jr., in a six-week tour of the south and west. One \$5 tip was all he garnered—and where that came from is shown by the cartoonist.

### MOST ANYTHING

OUR DISCONTINUED STORY. "I will dissolve the sugar trust," said Wickershaw. THE END.

SKINNEY A. NUFF, THE VIL-LAGE CUTAWAY.



WHEAT grows to six and a half feet in South Australia.

A MOVING picture camera takes 2760 photographs a minute, or 46 a second.

TO BE RICH is not to have money, but to be content.

GRUMBLE and the world grumbles at you.

"I SUPPOSE," said Lafe Young, the new Iowa senator, to an old acquaintance, "you people here have heard of the great honor that has been conferred upon me?"

"Yep," we have."  
"Ah, and what do they say about it?"  
"They don't say nothin.' They just laugh."

BOUND TO HAVE TALL MAYOR.

BOSTON, Dec. 6.—Which ever way the election goes next month, North Adams, Mass., is to have a tall mayor. The candidates, C. L. Frink, republican; E. D. Getman, democrat, and Dr. W. E. Brown, independent, range from 6 feet 1 inch to 6 feet 3 inches.

Try the dainty lunches now being served in our ice cream parlors.

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### THE BETTER TREASURE

powerful, his face was cat in a virile mold, but it was strength and beauty gone wrong. The face was lined with unhappiness; the eyes were dull; a swiveling walk lapsed to a lurch; his coat collar was up and his hat brim down, his clothes were shabby. The hypothetical observer would have seen that the man avoided with some effort the clergyman and his friend.

As they came toward him down the long platform walking briskly for warmth, talking earnestly together, he watched them from under his shadowing hat-brim, turned his back as they neared him, and disappeared behind the station. His hands in the pockets of his overcoat, he stared out at the fields with resentful eyes. He came to a stop in front of a bench, and, dropping into it, drew out a letter. The thin envelope fell open as it read often before.

"Dear Carl," the writing ran, "I saw Peterson two days ago and he told me you were playing it bad luck. There's an opening out here in my business for a person who knows several languages, and you came to my mind. Would you care to take it? You would have to put up a thousand or two, and that, beyond traveling expenses, would be all the money necessary. I think you would like it. The business is going to be a big one, and we are making money now. There is plenty of work, but plenty of play also of the kind you're good at—tennis and polo and that sort.

And there's the certainty of a fresh start in life, with every chance of a solid career.

"I'm sure you know what a pleasure it would be to me, because it's always been a pleasure to be with you since the first days of Groton. Think it over and send me a line by New Year's so I may know during January. I repeat that I want you and that I hope you may care to come."

The letter was dated from Hong Kong.

"Care to come!" The man flapped the paper with a gesture of despair, and at the second a door creaked mournfully behind him, opened half-way, and the clergyman's clear-cut speech sounded through it.

"You don't mind the draft?" the voice asked. "It's close in here."

The man outside, the letter clasped against his knee, did not stir; he listened intently. The two within sat down without seeing him, back to back with him, the wall between. Every word they spoke came out to him distinctly. "Why don't you put that bag on the floor? You hold on to it as if it were treasure," the pleasant, easy tones of the person continued. "The big man's answer came after a second's pause. "It is treasure," he said briefly. "Do you mean—Sidney, you're not driving home alone tonight with the men's wages?"

"No, not alone. Tomlinson meets me."

"Tomlinson! He's nothing. That is—he's a good coachman, of course, but the mildest ruffian could do up Tomlinson with one hand. A great protection!"

"I don't want protection," the slow voice half laughed. "I can protect myself—and Tomlinson."

The man outside could all but see the clergyman's head shake disapprovingly.

(Continued tomorrow.)

## EDISON WAGERS HE'LL BEAT SOCIETY PASTORS TO HEAVEN

EAST ORANGE, N. J., Dec. 6.—That he is not an atheist, but that, on the other hand, he has as good a chance of going to heaven as any minister of the gospel, was the declaration today of Thomas Alva Edison, the inventor, about whose head a religious storm is breaking.

Edison declared some time ago that he did not believe in a hereafter in which crowns and harps and golden slippers would figure. Since then he has been attacked and defended. One of his notable assailants was the Rev. Charles F. Aked of the Fifth Avenue Baptist church—the Rockefeller church.

"I'm not an atheist, never have been, never said I was," said Edison today. "And those people who have called me one have not read what I said. I believe in a Supreme Intelligence, but I have grave doubts as to whether the good folks of this earth are going to be roused from their graves to go to some beautiful, shining place up aloft.

"These ministers tell me I am heading straight for hell. Maybe I am, but I'll take my chance with the fashionable minister and if there is such a spot as heaven, I'll bet I get there first—yes, even before Dr. Aked.

"Here's what those ministers will do. A poor reporter, who had a leg shot off in the war when he was a correspondent for his paper, came to me for an interview. He writes a splendid story and I gave him the interview, because I wanted to help him.

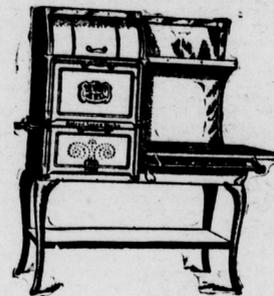
"A certain clergyman read what

I said and made some kind of comment. The reporter went to him for an interview. Now what do you suppose that man of God answered? He said:

"Yes, I will give you the interview—for \$200."

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### THEN IT HAPPENED

(Our Daily Discontinued Story.)



One evening Mr. Theophilus J. Trance brought home a 4-oz. bottle of carbolic acid to be on hand for cleaning out the wash bowl.

He placed the bottle in the medicine cabinet.

Then he forgot about it.

That night he awoke with a pain in his tummy.

Mr. Trance had an elegant memory. He remembered some paregoric in the medicine cabinet.

"It was a 4-oz. bottle," he mused, as he groped for it in the dark.

"Ah, here it is."

(The End.)



### EARLY BUYERS SAVE MONEY

Yesterday we announced the arrival of two carloads of our favorite medium priced pianos and offered a substantial discount as a premium to early shoppers. It is a favor to us to have you shop before the Christmas rush and we are willing to make it an object to you.

If you are looking for a good, durable, money-back, guaranteed piano worth \$350, here is a lot for you to see and the price while they last is \$289. Two carloads are not going to last long at this time of the year at Eilers Music House, so you had better come early.

We also offer you used bargains in Kimball, Kranich & Bach, Fisher pianos; Weber and Steck pianola pianos, new and second hand, which we are closing out; the pianos priced upward from \$225 and player pianos from \$408 up.

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### THE TELEPHONE AT CHRISTMAS



THERE is no need for you to be worn out by holiday preparations if you make good use of your telephone.

The Bell telephone companies have found that just before Christmas the number of daily connections is the highest for the year. The telephone has become a necessity of the holiday season, because without it most people would not have time to do what they have planned.

Christmas cheer extends beyond the city limits, and the universal Bell System helps to carry it throughout the land.

The Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co.