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The annual chestnut about the opti-
mist who eats them in the dark is also
with us.

English prime minister says the
house of lords is a set of irresponsibil-
ities. Now let the lords respond.

Indiana took the first prize at the
Omaha corn show. There was no frost
on the fodder that was responsible
for that ear.

Germany will establish three airship
passenger lines next year. But for
some time there will be no guarantee
of the schedules.

Fewer marriages this year mean
that fewer men have had jobs good
enough for two and have been sure
of keeping them.

Diamonds have been found in Ger-
man southwest Africa, and already
Von Döberlein is trying to get revenues
from them to build battleships.

It cost China \$4,200,000 to bury its
dead emperor. If the maintenance of
a live one is equally expensive mon-
archy in the orient certainly comes
high.

France has voted by a substantial
majority to continue the death peni-
tence. This will be injurious to those
persons only who commit crimes
worthy of death.

Wealthy natives of India have
formed a company with \$7,500,000 cap-
ital to erect at Bombay blast furnaces
and a complete steel plant for the
utilization of native ores.

That the magnetic influence of the
east of England drew his iron ship
ashore and wrecked it was the sworn
statement of the captain of the British
steamer Sandal to the British
board of trade.

It is estimated that the aggregate of
waste in all mineral products for the
past year amounted to about one mil-
lion dollars a day, and this doesn't in-
clude the unnecessary coal that the
hired girls burn in the furnaces and
rattlers of the land.

Lately we have had expert testimony
to the effect that the oil business is
hazardous and that the real business
is hazardous. Perhaps in time the
phrase "hazardous business" will
come to mean a business in which
men make abnormal profits.

Of all the schemes put forward to
help the unemployed one of the most
alluring is the proposal by the Glas-
gow corporation to construct at a cost
of \$80,000,000, a great battleship canal
between the Forth and the Clyde, and
thus to link up the North sea with the
Atlantic.

A Matamoros newspaper calls atten-
tion to a test of the pumping of water
in the Rio Grande region for irrigation
compared to the older method of con-
structing dams. A 36-inch pump with
36,000 gallons capacity on a 24-foot
lift, was operated at a fuel cost of 6 1/2
cents an hour.

In New Jersey an attempt will be
made to restore to life the next vic-
tim of the electric chair. It has fre-
quently been contended that electrocu-
tion was not fatal and that resuscita-
tion was possible. Still, nobody pro-
poses to take that sort of electric
treatment for his health.

Although there is no national law
against using the flag or shield of the
United States for advertising purposes,
the commissioner of patents has lately
exercised his discretion, and decided
that he will register no trade marks
which contain the arms of the United
States or of any state or city, or any
part of such arms.

One of the most interesting conclu-
sions reached by the first International
Congress on Good Roads, recently
held in Paris, is that automobiles do
little harm to the roads if their av-
erage speed is not more than ten
miles an hour, and their maximum speed 15
miles an hour. If that is the case, the
remedy looks simple.

Managing the finances has often
proved the rock on which Latin-Amer-
ican government has been wrecked. The
fact that American rule of Cuba,
while meeting all expenses, has been
such that Gov. Magoon will turn over
\$1,500,000 to the new native adminis-
tration constitutes an object lesson
that may be highly valuable.

Election bets are always objection-
able. Now and then, however, one is
recorded which has an amusing side.
In New York a young woman who
manifested great interest in the out-
come of the recent presidential elec-
tion was asked why she was so ex-
cited. "Because," she said: "If Mr.
Taft wins, I have promised to marry
a certain young man." "But suppose
Mr. Bryan wins?" "Oh, in that case
the young man will marry me."

FOR PLATES.
"Graters" in Australia are worthy
people, for "to grate" there means to
work hard. But the origin of that
meaning of the word is as obscure as
that of the meaning now common in this
country—to plunder the public.

Electricity is looming large as a mo-
tive power for railroads. A scheme is
on foot to employ electricity in carry-
ing trains over the Rocky mountains.
The steam engine has served a valu-
able purpose in bringing about trans-
continental traffic, but possibly it
will soon be eclipsed.

SIX NIGHT RIDERS ORDERED HANGED

DATE OF EXECUTIONS IS SET FOR
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY
15th, NEXT.

NEW TRIALS DENIED THEM

Twenty Years for Two Other Men
Convicted of Captain Rankin's
Murder—Extreme Penalty
Imposed.

Union City, Tenn.—Death on the
gallows for the six night riders
convicted of murder in the first de-
gree and 20 years in the penitentiary
for the two convicted of murder in the
second degree is the sentence of
Judge Joseph E. Jones.

The date of the execution of the
men convicted of murder in the first
degree was set for Friday, February
15.

Sentences were imposed on the
six convicted night riders, following
the overruling of a motion for new
trials on behalf of each man Saturday
morning.

Extreme Penalty Imposed.

The judge disregarded recommenda-
tions of mercy for each of the six re-
spondents of murder in the first degree
and also gave the extreme punishment
for second degree murder.

The prisoners received the news with
calm and there was no demonstration.
The attorneys for the defendants
gave notice of appeal, which will be
taken to the supreme court. The law-
yer meets in April.

The names of the men sentenced to
death: Jarrett Johnson, Fred Plover,
Arthur Closs, Sam Applewhite, Ted
Bryson and Ray Hanson.

The following were sentenced to 20
years imprisonment: Bob Hoffman and
Ted Myers. This is the first time
decrees for second degree murder.

FAMINE IN WOOD PULP.

Leading Manufacturer Declares Print
Supply is Nearly Exhausted.

New York.—F. Remington, one
of the leading paper manu-
facturers in the country, has issued a
warning to the publishers of the
country in an article published in the
Editor and Publisher this week, that a
paper famine is at hand. He says:

"The country has suffered from an
unprecedented drought, in which the
surplus wood pulp of the country has
been used up and, should severe win-
ter weather set in generally over the
paper mill section, the supply will be
found exhausted and many of the
larger papers will be forced to sus-
pend publication.

"Owing to low water the mills have
produced but about half their capacity,
the three months strike of the inter-
national paper workers served further
to diminish the supply and although
few publishers realize it, we are on
the brink of a paper famine.

"One thing that must soon be done
is the adoption of a standard size of
newspaper by publishers, manufacturers
and printing press manufacturers. The
present hand-to-mouth methods of
supply and demand tend more than
anything else to demoralize the in-
dustry."

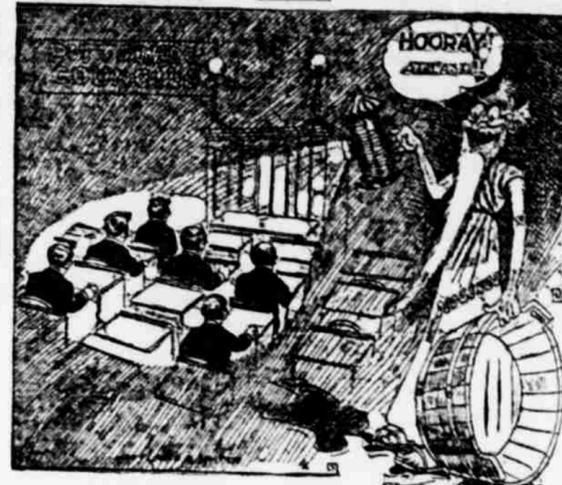
Roosevelt Gives Dance.
Washington.—A large with light,
the White House Friday night
shone forth brightly in its surround-
ing world of whited snow. The
occasion was the second dance of the
season given by Mrs. Roosevelt for
her debutante daughter, Ethel, the
first being Miss Roosevelt's formal in-
troduction to society. Previous to the
dance, which began at 10 o'clock,
there was a dinner, at which about
thirty guests were present.

Noted Coachman Ends Life.
Boston, Mass.—Daniel J. Mooney,
former president of the coachmen's
union, committed suicide Friday night
by taking poison. Mooney had been
driver for President Roosevelt, who
commended his skillful work on a
visit here four years ago, and had
also driven Prince Henry of Prussia
when the latter visited this city on his
tour of the United States. Mooney
had been out of work of late.

Bride Killed By Mistake.
Sterling, Colo.—Mistaking Henry
W. Tucker, a prominent young
ranch contractor, and his two young
bride, for robbers, Karl Tscharch, a
Russian farmer, Friday evening, near
Bliff, fired point blank at both of them
with a double barreled shotgun. Mrs.
Tucker was instantly killed and her
husband was seriously wounded.

Oklahomans Fight Duel.
Oklahoma City, Okla.—George
Johnson and Samuel Howard,
prominent citizens of Elk City, fought
a duel with pistols in the street there
Friday, as a result of which each
killed the other, Johnson dying in-
stantly and Howard a few minutes
later in his wife's arms. The men
had been friends and the cause of the
tragedy is not known. They met on
the street, turned off to the mouth
of an alley and began firing without
apparent provocation.

IF DIOGENES WERE ONLY LIVING NOW!



"They would not take money."—A Line from the Testimony.

BIG FIRE STAMPEDES 200 FROM HOTEL

THEATER IN SPRINGFIELD, MO.,
BURNED AND HOTEL
DAMAGED.

OPIE READ FORCED TO FLEE

Blaze Starting in Opera House Soon
After Lecture Does \$200,000
Damages.—Fire Started by
Leaking Gas.

Springfield, Mo.—One of the most
disastrous conflagrations in the
history of Springfield, between
1 and 3 o'clock Wednesday morning,
destroyed the Baldwin theater building
and the Dr. J. H. Dixon building,
on St. Louis street, badly damaging
the New Colonial Hotel building and
threatening to destroy the entire
business district.

The estimated loss is \$200,000, with
probably \$100,000 insurance carried
on buildings and contents.

Fire Chief Kanda fell down a stair-
way, but was uninjured.

Another Fire Started.
During the excitement of the fire a
negro woman who lived two blocks
from the burning building accident-
ally overturned a lighted lamp, set-
ting fire to her home.

The firemen were powerless to ren-
der assistance and an entire row of
houses occupied by negroes was burn-
ed to the ground.

Opie Reed, the novelist, was the at-
traction at the Baldwin Tuesday
night. The fire broke out in the
theater building an hour after Man-
ager Oendorf had gone home. Opie
Reed was one of the guests at the
Colonial Hotel, and was forced to flee
with the others when it was feared
the hotelery could not be saved.

No Mercy From Judge.
The fire is supposed to have been
caused by leaking gas. None was in-
jured.

A fierce wind carried sparks and
burning embers many blocks, and
scores of residences caught fire in the
roofs. These blazes were extinguish-
ed with buckets of water.

All that saved the Colonial Hotel was
the fact that the buildings is fire-
proof. There was a panic among the
200 hotel guests, who rushed from
their rooms to the streets carrying
their grips and part of their clothes.

The Baldwin theater, a four-story
building was owned by Col. H. B. Mc-
Daniel and the property was valued
at \$100,000. The theater was leased
by Geo. F. Oendorf, formerly con-
nected with playhouses at St. Joseph.

Little was saved from the burned
buildings, as the fire had gained great
headway before the fire department
could arrive on the scene.

MRS. MAYBRICK MAY WED.

Woman Who Passed Years in English
Prison May Marry C. L. Wagner.

Chicago, Ill.—One of the
Chicago morning papers publishes a
dispatch from Atlanta, Ga., which
states that Mrs. Florence Maybrick,
who served fifteen years in an Eng-
lish prison on a charge of poisoning
her husband, is engaged to be married
to Charles L. Wagner, secretary of a
lyceum bureau. The dispatch says
the announcement is given out by J.
H. McCracken, the Atlanta repre-
sentative for the bureau. He says the
marriage is to take place soon.

Alleged Forger Makes Confession.

Trenton, Mo.—Ralph Jones alias
Rollo Parker, held here for for-
gery, and who recently broke jail here
and again at Mexico, Mo., made a con-
fession here Thursday night in which
he declared he was a paroled patient
from an insane hospital in Chicago.
Telegrams to Chicago substantiate his
story. Local authorities say they will
resist his being removed from here.

New Bedtime for Wellesley Girls.

Wellesley, Mass.—With the be-
ginning of the winter term at
Wellesley College Thursday, new rules
of chaperonage became effective.
Girls living on the campus must now
retire at 9:45 p. m., while those living
outside the grounds may remain out
until 10 o'clock. The chaperons must
be selected from an official list.

Holland Again Friendly.

The Hague.—Venezuela formally
notified Holland Thursday that the
decree rescinding the exequators
of Dutch consuls had been with-
drawn and that new credentials had
been issued to all the former Dutch
consuls. This act practically removes
the last barrier in the re-establishment
of diplomatic relations with Venezuela.

Aeronaut's Body Found.

Berlin, German.—The body of Lieut.
Foerbach, the pilot of the German bal-
loon, Hergesell, which was lost in the
North Sea in the international races
here last October, was taken from the
North Sea Friday by the crew of the
trawler Orion. The body was sent to
Hamburg.

Preaches War For Liberty.

Belgrade.—The metropolitan of Bel-
grade, preaching in the cathedral said:
"If the hour comes for us to assist our
brethren to fight for their independ-
ence, none should shrink from the risk
of life and fortune in the cause."

Exchange Shots on Serbian Border.

Sarajevo, Bosnia.—A gendarmierie
patrol near Strebnitza was shot at
from the Serbian bank of the Orina
on January 6. The patrol returned the
fire and apparently hit one of the ag-
gressors.

Police Sergeant Killed.

San Francisco, Cal.—Police Ser-
geant Anton Nolting was shot and
killed early Friday while attempting
to disperse a crowd of drunken men
on Commercial street. The sergeant
was knocked down and, regaining his
feet, started to draw his revolver,
when one of the men shot him twice.

Five Frenchmen Freeze to Death.

Edmonton, Alberta.—Five French-
men, who left Stony Plain for Mac-
Leod river three days ago, were frozen
to death three miles west of the Nine-
Mile House, on the Grand Trunk Pa-
cific railway survey.

Reward for Mulligan's Slayer.

Guthrie, Okla.—Gov. Haskell offers
a reward of \$500 for the capture of
Erza Revia, who is charged with kill-
ing Deputy Sheriff B. F. Mulligan of
Cimarron county on the night of Jan-
uary 7.

BRAND MESSAGE AS UNJUSTIFIED

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TWO
OF PRESIDENT'S COMMUNICA-
TIONS BE TABLED.

HOUSE STANDS ON ITS RECORD

Members Under President's Displea-
sure Contradict Him on
Floor—Rejected as
Disrespectful.

Washington, D. C.—Branding state-
ments contained in President Roose-
velt's annual message "unjustified
and without basis of fact," the spe-
cial house committee appointed to
consider the president's charge that
members of congress were afraid of
investigation by the secret service,
Friday recommended that the objec-
tionable portions of the annual mes-
sage be tabled, and that similar action
be taken on last Monday's message,
in which the president informed the
house that it had misunderstood his
language.

The committee's report embodied a
resolution which declared it to be the
sense of the house that it shall de-
cline to consider any communication
which is not respectful or which im-
pairs the honesty of members of con-
gress.

When Chairman Perkins of the spe-
cial committee arose to make his re-
port, practically all the members were
in their seats, while the galleries were
packed with interested spectators.
Messrs. Tammey, Smith, Sherley and
Fitzgerald were on the floor prepared
to read verbally what they consider
the improprieties of the president upon
them as members of the committee on
appropriations. They were not alone
in their indignation, for the feeling of
the members of the house have been
becoming more and more intense and
the depth of this feeling against the
president was plainly apparent Fri-
day.

Mr. Driscoll of New York made an
effort to obtain from Mr. Perkins a
promise that the time for the discuss-
ion of the resolution should be ex-
tended. He declared that there was so
much sentiment in the house that he
would not be justified in passing upon
the subject Friday. Mr. Mann replied
that Mr. Driscoll was more excited
than anyone else.

During the discussion Secretary Lat-
imer appeared with three messages from
the White House, and his appearance
was greeted with roars of laughter.
The messages proved to be of a rou-
tine character and were not allowed
to interrupt the proceedings.

The house put itself on record as
declining to accept Mr. Roosevelt's
explanation of his own objection-
able words, accusing him of being
guilty of a "breach of the privileges
of the house," and ordered laid on
the table that part of the annual mes-
sage relating to the secret service and
the entire contents of his special mes-
sage on the same subject. The final vote
was: Ayes 212, noes 25, thus adminis-
tering the rebuke to the president by
the overwhelming majority of 177.

POSSE SEEKING SLAYER.

Workman Suspected of Killing Rev.
J. H. Carmichael.

Lenox, Mich.—Suspected of the
murder, dismemberment and par-
tial burning of Rev. J. H. Carmichael,
Methodist circuit rider, a presumably
harmless jack-of-all-trades is being
sought by a posse of deputies and
farmers in Claire county.

Carmichael's body was found in the
store in the little frame church at Co-
lumbus, Mich., eight miles from here.
There were signs of a fierce struggle.
Blood smears were found in various
parts of the church and on both of
two stoves used to heat the church.

Carmichael made headquarters in
Adair. From there he made a 21-mile
drive every Sunday to preach in
churches in Columbus and in China,
all within a radius of seven miles of
Adair.

Taft Told of Child Labor.

Augusta, Ga.—The president-elect
who is a member of the
National Child Labor Law committee,
listened to a report on general condi-
tions on child labor in the South from
A. J. McKelway, secretary of the com-
mittee for the Southern States. It
was Mr. McKelway's conclusion that
the child-labor laws of Southern
States are well adapted to conditions,
but there is laxness in their enforce-
ment.

Accepts Concordia Building Site.

Washington.—Assistant Secretary
Winthrop of the treasury made a formal
order accepting the site for the
Concordia (Kan.) federal building at
the northwest corner of Washington
and Seventh streets, the price of the
property being fixed at \$75000.

Fire Ruins Louisiana Town.

Shreveport, La.—Fire destroyed a
block of business houses at Coshub-
atta, La., and wiped out the greater
portion of the business district. The
total damage is estimated at \$25,000.

WHY NOT OWN LAND?

ONE OF THE BEST WAYS TO
MAKE MONEY IS TO INVEST
IN WESTERN CANADA.

"Deep down in the nature of every
properly constituted man is the desire
to own some land." A writer in the
Iowa State Register thus tersely ex-
presses a well known truth. The ques-
tion is where is the best land to be
had at the lowest prices, and this the
same writer points out in the same ar-
ticle. The fact is not disguised that
the writer has a personal interest in
the statement of his case, and there is
no hidden meaning when he refers to
Western Canada as presenting great-
er possibilities than any other part of
the American Continent, to the man
who is inclined to till the soil for a
livelihood and possible competence.
What interests one are the arguments
advanced by this writer, and when
fairly analyzed the conclusion is
reached that no matter what personal
interest the writer may have had, his
reasons appear to have the quality of
great soundness. The climatic condi-
tions of Western Canada are fully as
good as those of Minnesota, the Dako-
tas or Iowa, the productiveness of the
soil is as great, the social conditions
are on a par, the laws are as well
established and as carefully observed.
In addition to these the price of land
is much less, easier to secure. So, with
these advantages, why shouldn't this
—the offer of Western Canada—be
embraced. The hundreds of thousands
of settlers now there, whose homes
were originally in the United States,
appear to be—satisfied. Once in
while complaints are heard, but the
Canadians have never spoken of the
country as an Eldorado no matter
what they may have thought. The
writer happened to have at hand a few
letters, written by former residents of
the United States from which one or
two extracts are submitted. These go
to prove that the writer in the Regis-
ter has a good basis of fact in support
of his statements regarding the excel-
lency of the grain growing area of
Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.
On the 29th of April of this year W.
K. Osby, of Loughheed, Alberta, wrote
a friend in Detroit. He says: "The
weather has been just fine ever since
I came here in March, and I believe
one could find if he wanted to some
small bunches of snow around the
edge of the lake. There is a frost nearly
every morning at sunrise it begins
to fade away, then those blue flow-
ers open and look as fresh as if there
had been no frost for a week. . . .
There is no reason why this country
should not become a garden of Eden;
the wealth is in the ground and only
needs a little encouragement from
the government to induce capital in here.
There is everything here to build
with, good clay for brick, coal under-
neath, plenty of water in the spring
lakes, and good springs coming out of
the banks."

Rather Remarkable Certainty.

The lawyer for the plaintiff had
finished his argument and counsel for
the defense stepped forward to speak,
when the new judge interrupted him.
His eyes were wide open and filled
with wonder and admiration for the
plea of the plaintiff.

"Defendant need not speak," he said.

"Plaintiff wins."

"But, your honor," said the attorney
for the defendant, "at least let me pre-
sent my case."

"Well, go ahead, then," said the
judge, wearily.

The lawyer went ahead. When he
had finished the judge gaped in even
greater astonishment.

"Don't it beat all!" he exclaimed.

"Now defendant wins!"—Green Bag.

His Pedigree.

The calf, which Gideon King had
taken the summer resident to see,
survived his owner and the stranger
with a wary eye. "Er—what breed is
your calf?" asked the visitor.

Mr. King removed a wisp of straw
from his mouth and said:
"That critter's father gored a justice-
of the peace, knocked a lightning rod
agent over end, and lifted a tramp
over a picket fence; and as for his
mother, she chased the whole Ran-
bury brass band out of town last
Fourth of July. If that ain't breed
enough to pay \$5 for, you can leave
him be. I'm not pressing him on any-
body."—Youth's Companion.

Sure Sign.

Mrs. Murphy—Arrah! 'Tis Saterdash
night an' th' fact'ry is closin' down
an' Timmy don't know whether he'll
git his pay or not.

Mrs. Flaherty—Here he comes home
now.

Mrs. Murphy—Wirra! This he ain't
been paid.

ROSY AND PLUMP

Good Health from Right Food.

"It's not a new food to me," re-
marked a Va. man, in speaking of
Grape-Nuts.

"About twelve months ago my wife
was in very bad health, could not keep
anything on her stomach. The Doctor
recommended milk half water but it
was not sufficiently nourishing.

"A friend of mine told me one day
to try Grape-Nuts and cream. The re-
sult was really marvelous. My wife
soon regained her usual strength and
to-day is as rosy and plump as when
a girl of sixteen.

"These are plain facts and nothing
I could say in praise of Grape-Nuts
would exaggerate in the least the
value of this great food."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle
Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Well-
ville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new
one appears from time to time. They
are genuine, true, and full of human
interest.