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It is stated that President Castro was the traveling representative of a wholesale liquor house before he went to Venezuela.

When Representative McPherson of Lawrence county, introduced his resolution about the Nesbit election law he stirred up the animals fearfully down at Jefferson City.

With Great Britain, Germany, Italy, Spain and Belgium all besieging Venezuela for the payment of claims. France pressing a claim against Peru and the United States interested in collecting a debt against Korea, it would appear that what the world most needs just now is an international debt collecting agency in connection with The Hague tribunal.

If our Democratic friends are satisfied with Senator Stone we are not inclined to object. He called the legislature together once and thus caused them to pass as fair an election law as the state ever had.

Representative Murphy of St. Louis, wanted instructions given our new senator to vote in favor of putting alum on the free list when he goes down to Washington.

So far Vernon county's representative to the state legislature hasn't succeeded in getting his name in the papers and it appears his only show to do so will be to blow out the gas or get his pockets picked.

STOP QUARRELING.

What is the use of thrashing the same old straw over and over year after year. We have never known a time when or a place where a political party did not have a leader.

Now it is Kerens and he is a terrible fellow—the worst boss the state ever had. He not only distributes the pie to his own advantage, but he does everything else the same way.

but they succeed. We would probably fail. Why not stop taking our cue from democratic suggestions and quit thrashing this old straw over and over again?

DEARMOND'S PESSIMISM.

Congressman David A. DeArmond, Missouri's chilly representative from the sixth congressional district, spent last Friday and Saturday at his home in Butler.

The following story of President Roosevelt's school boy days is given in the rounds of the press. Like most American boys he was required to write essays.

The Bates National Bank. The oldest incorporated firm of business in our city is the Bates National Bank, which commenced business in December, 1870.

WHEN LIFE'S AT STAKE

The most timid man will take any chance of escape. The slender rope drooping down the precipice, the slippery log over the abyss, anything that offers a chance of life, is eagerly snatched at.

There are thousands of men and women whose lives are at stake who are hindered from accepting the one means of safety by foolish prejudice.

ARTHUR.

The sun is shining in all its splendor. How everybody is enjoying it. Mr. Pearson, a miner, was killed in the Arthur coal mine Friday morning.

Only for Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery I think I would be in my grave to-day. I had serious trouble and I could not sleep at night and was compelled to give up work.

Self Mutilation of Beggars.

It will be remembered that Victor Hugo's famous story, "The Man Who Laughed," was founded on the practices of a band of miscreants in England who kidnapped little children and mutilated them in order that they might make more effective use of them as beggars.

CHINA MENDING.

Art and Skill Called For in the Work—Some Costly Jobs. There are brought to the expert mender of china and bric-a-brac, for repair, all manner of things, cheap and costly; some damaged much, and some but little.

THE ADVENTURES OF TWO YOUNG MEN AND THEIR AUTOMOBILES.

Once on a time there were two young men, each of whom bought an automobile. One young man, being of a bold and audacious nature, said: "I will make my machine go fast, that it will break all previous records."

BLANKETS AND COMFORTS

50 Colored Blanket \$2.50 50c single bed comfort 35c 4.50 " " 3.50 \$1.00 comforts 80c 5.00 " " 3.50 1.25 " " 90c 2.75 " " 2.25 1.45 " " \$1.00 6.50 " 11x4 Blanket 4.75 2.00 " " 1.50 3.50 white Blanket 2.50 2.00 " " 1.50 8.50 " " 6.00 2.50 " " 1.75

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THIS AND THAT.

London averages 475,000 telegrams daily; Paris has 120,000 only. The only beast of prey found in Australia is the dingoo, or wild dog. A cubic inch of water at 212 degrees is changed into 2,000 cubic inches of steam.

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- Ladies' Wool Opera Shawls, 40 inches square in pink, blue, red, white and black, worth 25c. 19c
Ladies' Wool Opera Shawls, 40 inches, in red, blue white and black, worth 50c. 39c
Ladies' Wool Opera Shawls with fringe, in pink, blue and red, worth \$1.00. 75c
Men's heavy lined Calf Skin Gloves worth 50c. 39c
Men's Heavy Blanket Lined Covert Coats, rubber lined with high corduroy collar, worth \$1.50. \$1.19
Oil Cloth Patterns, one yard square, worth 45c. 29c
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Our stock of "Special Sale" Goods decreases "as the days go by." Bargains just as rare, but not so many. Our stock was large when we began this Special Sale, and we are still hammering away on the Reduced Price Plan to decrease it more before we take our inventory, Feb. 1st.

Men's and Boys' Gloves and Mittens.

- \$1.50 Mocha or kid gloves, sale price \$1.15
1.00 Mocha or kid gloves, sale price .75c
75c Mocha or kid gloves, sale price .50c
1.00 Work gloves, sale price .80c
.75 Work gloves, sale price .55c
.50 Work gloves, sale price .35c
.25 Work gloves, sale price .19c
1.00 Mittens, sale price .75c
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.25 Mittens, sale price .19c

Child's Two and Three Piece Suits.

- \$6.00 Child's Suit, sale price \$4.25
5.00 " " " " 3.50
4.50 " " " " 3.25
3.50 " " " " 2.75
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Men's and Boys' Knit Underwear.

- \$1.50 Wool Garment, sale price \$1.00
1.00 " " " " .75
1.00 Silk Fleece Garment, sale price .75
.75 Cotton Fleece Garment, sale price .60
.50 Cotton Fleece Garment, sale price .35

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- \$3.50 Colored Blanket \$2.50 50c single bed comfort 35c
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