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# EARLY

Buy your Christmas presents EARLY-early in the day, and do it now. That will be your biggest gift of the holidays to the workers behind the counters and on the delivery wagons.

to be hanged in place of the Connecti- prosperous as here, and the United by the government. This is due to these methods, therefore, it is hoped cut murderess knows that his offer is States is constantly referred to by perfectly safe. 160

Hobson shall decide to settle their difference in the old fashioned southern; the Potomac

### FRANCIS JOSEPH'S LONG REIGN.

ord of Francis Joseph of Austria, who of leading lay Catholics. has just completed 65 years of his There is as much prospect that lay

XIV of France and the 67 years of mediaevalism. Pharaoh, of the Scriptures, began when they were young boys in tutelage. Francis was over 18 on Dec. 2. 1848, and he has been an actual ruler every day.

It is the fashion to cite him as a "Hapless Hapsburg." Any man, much must expect sorrow, and in his family life the old emperor has had his share. -But Austria-Hungary has not done so victim of heart disease, badly. It was near disruption in 1848, only saved by Prussian troops. No such menace now exists. It was defeated by Prussia and France; but ence, took no toll of territory, and coaches were damaged. E. Hall, en-Prussia, by Bismarck's wise insistthe loss of the discontented Lombards gineer on the passenger train, was inand Venetians was no calamity. Or if calamity it was, it has been recouped by the addition of the equally rebellious Slavs of Bosnia and Herze

In political freedom the dual monarchy does not long lag far behind acres to Hugh Hutchinson for \$76,000. Bermany, in spite of the wrongs of the southern Slavs and Roumanians and the ragings of the Czechs and the Italian Irredentiats. In material prog- Siveright, a pioneer merchant, died ress the country has moved with the

rest of the world. Never was the old ruler move enty cars. popular with his mixed races than he is now. A natural interest in his length of reign belos him as it beloed Vivtoria of England. But most of all Dailey of Alton died yesterday in a he draws respect and liking from the local hospital as a result of being unpopularity of his successor, except beaten by railway section men in a with a small military clique. When fight begun when he called them the people wish him long life and names. Five men are prisoners. health they mean just what they say.

# PEWER MEDICAL SCHOOLS.

in the United States than there were ent of the soldiers' widows' home at a year ago; 1,260 fewer persons stud- Wilmington, has resigned, but will hold ied medicine in 1913 than in 1912; the place pending the appointment of and there was a decrease of 500 in the her successor. number of medical graduates, according to figures compiled at the United States bureau of education.

medical schools is part of a steady rested by J. E. Morrison, deputy Unitmovement for improved medical edu- ed States marshal, charged with procation that has been going on for the moting a scheme to defraud. Rhodes past eight or nine years. The Ameri- was indicted Dec. 11 on a charge of can Medical association, the various swindling Charles E. Eastin of Mastate medical societies, and other comb, Ill., out of an \$8,000 Missouri agencies, have aroused public opinion farm, trading for it stock in the Kanto such an extent that 79 medical sas City Sash Weight Manufacturing colleges have either merged with company. Eastin was to have the other institutions or ceased to exist, position of manager of the company and the standard of medical training with a salary of \$200 a month, accordhas been raised considerably. Of the ing to Rhodes' promise, he alleged. 101 medical schools now listed at the bureau, 53 are requiring one or more years of college work as a prerequisite to entering upon the study of liffs are searching for Louis Neuringmedicine. State examining boards in ham of Nutwood on a charge of hav-North Dakota, Iowa, Minnesota, Colo- ing eloped with Bessie Ridenbark, 14rado, Indiana, South Dakota and Ken- year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hitucky have introduced regulations, in ram Ridenbark of Nutwood. An order most cases to be made effective with- for Neuringham's arrest has been isin a year or two, providing that every sued. The girl left home Friday. Two applicant for a license to practice years ago Neuringham was arrested on medicine shall have studied two years a charge of bigamy. The arrest grew In college, after a four years' high out of his elopement with Mrs. George thool course, before even beginning Meyers of Fulton, Mo., wife of his em-

ment covering one year of college work will soon be enforced by the state boards of Connecticut, Kansas, nue, Rock Island, Ill. (Entered at the Utah, Vermont, Pennsylvania and

California An interesting feature of the sta-Book Island Member of the Associated tistics is the part played by women. Although the total number of medical students has decreased, the number creased. In 1912 there was 18,451 Complaints of delivery service should students, of whom 835 were women. Only 76 women graduated this year.

AN AMERICAN CARDINAL.

Statements made by Cardinal Gibcharacter, political or religious, must bons in a sermon at Baltimore the have real name attached for publica- other day should serve to set at rest tion. No such articles will be printed fears that the church of which he is a prince meditates assault upon American institutions. "I do not wish tral Union, Rock Island 145, 1145 and to see the day," the cardinal said, "when the church will invoke and seek government ald to build our churches or subsidize our clergy. For then the civil rulers might dictate the doctrines we are to preach."

In other words, the cardinal desires ne unions of church and state, which unions serve the best interests of neither church nor state. Continuing the cardinal expressed the hope that "the happy condition now existing when the relations between the clergy of it. and the people will be direct and the people will be direct and immediate; when bishops and priests will bestow hoarded. on their spiritual children their voluntary labors, and when they will receive in return the free-will offerings, to any extent. the devotion and gratitude of their beloved flocks."

whenever any encroachment upon the proved to be a popular investment. The cardinal further said that sacred rights of civil and religious pable violation of her authority."

there and it is in better condition loss. than, perhaps, it ever was before, a advocates of the separatist policy as a shining exemplar of a nation that If Congressmen Underwood and confines government to its own path

Those who sense a design in the Having introduced medical inspec- action and the character of the carare getting away from one by one, dren. and wisely, take not into account the fact of the views of such ecclesiastics History has no parallel to the rec- as the cardinal and the Americanism for more than 400 children is lost be- McKinley county, New Mexico, the fol-

catholic influence ever will be exerted in behalf of church and state union, Queen Victoria reigned less than 64 or for whatever policy that makes for years. The nominal 72 years of Louis it, as that progress will revert to

# ILLINOIS NEWS

Taylorville Official Dies

more any king, who lives 83 years phy, city treasurer of Taylorville, was ship to study ship construction, engine and architectural drawing. found dead in the Eagles' lodge room here. He is thought to have been a

Engineer Hurt in Collision.

Pana, Ill., Dec. 17 .- Illinois Central passenger train No. 125 crashed into a freight engine at Pana. Several jured severely.

320 Acres Sold for \$76,000. Kewanee, Ill., Dec. 17.-The largest sale of high-priced farm land made in this part of the state was effected yesterday when A. J. Dickey sold 320

Illinois Pioneer Is Dead. Sycamore, Ill., Dec. 17.-George M. vesterday, aged 76 years. He had been a resident of Dekalb county sev-

Killed for Calling Names. Granite City, Ill., Dec. 17 .- J. A.

Mrs. Flo Jamieson Miller Out. Bloomington, Ill., Dec. 17 .- Mrs. Flo. There are 14 fewer medical schools Jamieson Miller, 12 years superintend-

Charged With Farm Swindle. Kansas City, Dec. 17.-Cecil B. The reduction in the number of Rhodes, a real estate dealer, was ar-

> Man and Girl of 14 Sought Nutwood, Ill., Dec. 17-Deputy sher

Capital Comment

BY CLYDE H. TAVENNER Congressman from the Fourteenth District



has shown:

is chiefly used in

TAVENNER

That the money deposited in it is

That the money deposited has not been sent away to foreign countries

liberty have been made by professing steadily growing, the bank, on paper only 21/2 per cent interest. The bank, wrongs, far from being perpetual with rendy a loss of nearly \$1,060,000. The rates at from 6 to 8 per cent. Banks her sanction, were committed in pal- service has cost \$1.486,000. Against pay 3 and 4 per cent interest on sav-

of women studying medicine has in. (Special Correspondence of The Argus.) | country in transacting musiness with Washington, Dec. 15.-Some inter- Washington and with patrons in conmedical students, of whom 712 were esting facts in connection with the nection with the postal bank use a women; in 1913 there were 17,238 operation of the postal savings bank distinctive stamp adopted by the dewere prought in a partment for this purpose. The use recent debate in of these stamps enables the postoffice the house over a accountants to keep track of the numpostoffice bill. Ac- ber of letters handled in connection cording to mem- with postal savings. Of course, the bers familiar with use of these stamps is merely a bookthe figures the ac- keeping device, since postmasters do tual operation of not have to pay for them.

the system, which The banks of the country fought is now going on long against postal savings. Now three years of age, they see that the system has been a great benefit to them. It has brought hat the postal hoarded money from hiding places to banks have not the postoffice, which, in turn, has depulled money from posited it with the local banks. Of local banks to any \$82,500,000 now on deposit with the government, 95 per cent has been That the bank redeposited with local banks.

The postoffice department is now cities having a turning its attention to the problem large percentage of ending the deficit in the postal foreign-born bank and making it show a profit. population, while This, in the light of experience, it is in small rural believed can be done. In the first among us may always continue; communities scarcely any use is made place, the limit of \$500 which it is pertoo low. The tendency is steadily tochiefly savings that were formerly ward larger deposits by individuals In 1912 the average deposit was \$83; today it is \$102. Accounts are frequently turned away because the law forbids the accentance of more than \$500 in a single deposit. The depart-That the 2 per cent bonds offered ment is asking that the limit be reto postal bank depositors have not moved altogether.

The department deposits the postal That, although the deposits are savings with local banks, charging members of the church, "these at least, has cost the government al- in turn, loans the money at interest this the government has received in ings deposits, and could well afford to The dissolution of the concordat in interest from banks selected as pos- pay 3 per cent on deposits as perma-France has stimulated remarkably the tal savings depositaries \$537,932. The nent as those of the postoffice. The growth and influence of the church difference, or nearly \$1,000,000, is net department is considering raising the rate to be paid by banks to 3 per cent. It was explained, however, that the By removing the limit of deposits a fact proving that what is best for the figures indicating expense are largely double quantity of deposits can be nation is also best for the church. In bookkeeping entries, and do not in handled by the present postoffice force The Cleveland man who has offered no other country is the church so volve the actual payment of money without increased office expense. By

Night schools of cosmopolitan char-

acter are by no means confined to con-

gested centers in the east. At Gallup,

# **EDUCATIONAL NOTES**

way it is certain that Hobson will church to control this nation and to tion in 1872, Elmira, N. Y., claims to goes. Shipping law is also part of choose submarine dreadnaughts, catch establish here that intimacy which have been the first American city to the course. as catch can, in the murky waters of the Latin countries of the old world adopt health supervision of school chil-

> The equivalent of one school year cause of contact with minor contag- lowing nationalities were represented ious diseases, according to figures re- in a recently established evening cently compiled for Pittsburgh, A shipbuilding shop is maintained in French, Danish, Swedish, Irish, Scotch,

connection with the high school at English and Cherokee Indian. Twenty-San Pedro, Cal., where, under the prac- five different occupations were repretical instruction of a nautical archi-sented. In ages the pupils ranged tect, the students learn how to build from 15 to 62. Many of them desired Taylorville, Ill., Dec. 17 .- A. O. Mur- make trips to the wharves and aboard hand, typewriting, Spanish, mechanical

boat, make and place the engine and the ordinary elementary branches, but launch and run the craft. Classes in there was also a strong demand for boat building and marine construction such subjects as bookkeeping, shortham was convicted and served a term kee and Ogle counties and mean cheapdall, Grundy, Dekalb, Ogle and Winnebago counties are included in the pro-

Line to Tap Coal Districts. next year, according to an announce- cago.

in prison.

the woman to Jersey county, where a ment of the promoters here today. It ceremony was performed. Neuring- will tap rich coal districts in Kankaer coal for Rockford, Kankakee, Ken-Rockford, Ill., Dec. 17.-The Illinois posed route. Sidney N. Ware, Oscar Midland Railway company, from the W. Ware and L. D. Zielke of Chicago, south border of Kankakee county to Samuel G. Durant of Philadelphia and Rockford, with an incorporated capi- Fayette S. Munroe of Rockford are dital stock of \$25,000, is to be launched rectors. The offices are to be in Chi-

# "The Young Lady Across the Way"



We asked the young lady across the way if she were a student of contemporaneous history and she said not to any great extent and it was about all she could do to keep informed about things that were happening in her own tical training. A similar require ployer at the time, Neuringham took lifetime,

# HENRY HOWLAND

# IN THE COUNTRY



I am longing for the pleasures that the fields alone can give; I am sick of being crowded where the luckles millions live;

I am yearning for the freedom that the mitted any individual to deposit, is Out there where no busy builders are producing ceaseless noise, Where the frost has made the wattles of the troubled rooster blue And the kitchen door-step's buried under

snow a foot or two. I am sighing for the pleasure that the farmer doubtless feels
As he wades out in the mornings to give Boss and Spot their meals; How I long to be there helping to haul wood upon the sled

And to have the joy of chopping up the chunks behind the shed; I can hardly keep from turning from the city with its ills To go out and help the farmer who is doping for his chills

What a joy 'twould be to never have to dodge or skip and jump; And how sweet in zero weather it would be to thaw the pump; How I hanker for such gladness as the farmer may possess
While he has to do the milking when it's ten below or less:

ould say good-by forever to the city if I could-Gee, I'd like to be a farmer in the winter



A Resentful Man.

school: American, Spanish, Slavonfan, "I see that your wife's father and Italian, Servian, Austrian, German, mother are living with you now.'

"The old gentleman has permanently retired from business, has he?" "Retired? That's hardly the name for it. He has been kicked out."

"I'm sorry to hear that. Didn't he have anything saved up to keep him and his wife in their old age?" "Not a cent. I'll have to support

them the rest of their lives." "Well, it's lucky that you are able to do so.'

"It may be lucky enough, but there's one thing that makes me mighty sore whenever I think of it."

"What's that?" "The lofty way in which the old man asked me, when I told him I wanted to marry his daughter, if I thought I would be able to support her in the style to which she had been accustomed."

An Artistic Triumph.

"How did the moving picture of the wedding turn out?"

"Oh, splendidly. They caught the bride when she was knocked senseless by being hit with an old shoe, so that it is just as natural as life."

> Profitless Thinking. Many a man who wishes he Might be praised as lavishly As the famous are

Sits around and picks his teeth, Thinking he was born beneath As unlucky star. So That the World May Know. A good many widows get married merely to show that they can, and not because they have any liking for matrimony.

Courage. "What's the cause of all that yelling across the street?" "The captain of our football team is

Who Rode in the Charlots With Them? History is curiously silent concerning the names of people who made up the committees that were sent out to meet Alexander and Caesar.

over there having a tooth pulled."

They Never Let Up. One reason why men hate to admit that they have been wrong is that other people want them to keep on admitting it over and over again.

The Saddle and the Steed.

It is good to keep hoping for better

things, but hope is merely a saddle that is to be placed upon the staed which is known as Effort. Standing Prosperity. Some men are unable to stand pros-

perity, but women can't stand the

prosperity of their neighbors. Gloating Over the Victim.

"Your teeth are in pretty bad condi-"They must be," sighed the patient. "You look so happy."-Judge.

He is half done who has made a good beginning .- Old Saying.

The Daily Story THE BLACKBIRD-BY CLARISSA MACKIE.

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up the telephone receiver.

"Send Birch in," he ordered as a shock headed office boy appeared. "Yes, sir." Almost instantly the door opened to

alert of manner, with keen gray eyes and resolute mouth. "You wish to see me, Mr. Sloan?" he

asked. The other nodded. "Sit down there. I say. Bob, there's been another one of those confounded murders. It's Hinman, the banker, this time."

"Josiah Hinman?" Birch's eyebrows went up. "Our greatest philanthropist and the most harmless of men! What are the details, sir?"

"Oh, same as the other three. He was found murdered in his bed this morning. Doors of the house locked. no signs of windows being tampered with, servants all old retainers, not an enemy in the world that we know about, and yet found dead by his valet.'

"How was it done?" "In just the same manner as Flickinger, the railroad king, and Benson, who was, as you remember, Flickinger's right hand man-stabbed through the heart with a dagger of foreign make. I'm going up there, and I want

you to come on with me." "You know I'd like nothing better," returned the other eagerly. "Mr. Hinman was very kind to me when I was a boy. He gave me my first chance in the world."

"I know. He's helped a lot of other He was a fine old chap. seople too.



SAW FOOTPRINTS IN THE DUST.

Funny how they've picked out three men all interested in the L. B. M. railroad. I've no doubt the same gang

turned the three tricks." "There wasn't a clew in the other two cases." mused Birch as the manager's automobile stopped before a handsome stone house on the finest

avenue of the small city. In five minutes they were in the death chamber of the mansion and Sloan was rapping out questions to the agitated valet faster than the man could find replies. When the interview

was concluded they were not much wiser than before. "I have not touched a thing, nor has the doctor," ended Blunt tearfully. "He must have been asleep, for the papers were folded on the bedside table, as was his custom, and the light was out, although the murderer might have done

that." "Very true," said Sloan. "Now, my man, if you will leave us alone"-Blunt went out and closed the door, and the two detectives were left alone in the room from which Mr. Hinman's body had been removed a short while after their arrival. The two men had diligently searched the luxurious apartment and after that every room in the house, and now they stood silently regarding the only clew at hand.

The slender, blood stained dagger. "What data have you concerning the Flickinger and the Benson cases?" asked Sloan.

Birch referred to his memorandum

book.

"The most important is that I learned that four men who had been discharged by the railroad company had threatened harm to Mr. Flickinger and his secretary. I could find no trace of these men. It was said that one of them was really a titled foreigner down on his tuck, that he had passed through all the phases of good and bad fortune and he had failed to make good."

"I guess he's the man we're after." said Sloan. "What name?" "Van Benjidek."

"You've searched every room in the house, Birch?" "Yes, and had a man to take records

of all finger prints. I say every room in the house. There's one place I've | 1760-Birth at Clinton, Mass., of Dehbeen through, and I've a notion to go there again. Come with me." Sloan followed Birch through the

hall and up a flight of stairs to the third floor, where there were several bedchambers and a billiard room under the mansard roof. From the passage a door led into an open attic that ran across the back of the house. A window at the back overlooked the wing containing the servants' quarters. and overhead was a trapdoor leading to the roof. A narrow ladder led to

the trapdoor. they could see that the dust of the twenty-four hours.

The manager of the Sloan Detective | noor was untracked near the window. agency pressed a button as he hung and any hope that the murderer might have gained the roof of the wing and entered the house by the attic window was at once dispelled.

Suddenly Birch touched his chief's arm, "Look there, sir!" he whispered.

Sloan bent his keen eyes to the floor admit a broad shouldered young man, and saw the trace of footprints in the dust. Some one had passed from the ladder to the passageway and gone back again. Instantly Birch had made a detour so as not to disturb the telltale marks with his own boots and he was up the ladder and was lifting the trapdoor.

> "Unfastened, sir." he reported: "evidently pried up from the roof-lock

He passed up on to the roof, and Sloan followed.

The large expanse of flat, tinned roof was surrounded by a fanciful iron railing. In one place the railing had disappeared. There was a gap of perhaps fifteen feet. Birch crept to the edge of the roof and peered over.

"Funny thing," be commented; "that iron railing is down on the ground there-looks as though it had recently fallen. Let's have Blunt up here." He fetched the valet, and the two detectives pointed out the broken railing to the astonished servant.

"But, sir," he protested, "I am sure it was not broken yesterday, because the gardener would have removed it. He cut the grass yesterday and cleaned up the yard thoroughly. You see, it has fallen directly underneath the library windows, and some of it sticks right up in the turf."

"You heard no sound in the night, you are sure?"

"I am sure, sir. I sleep in the wing yonder, and at the head of my bed is a bell that connects with Mr. Hinman's room. One of the servants in the house next door was coming home from a party very late last night or early this morning, and she declares she saw a big blackbird hovering over this house. She is very superstitious, sir, and I suppose she's imagined that since hearing of the murder."

"Very likely," said Sloan in a peculiar tone, and his eyes met those of his young assistant with a significant glance. "Thank you, Blunt. That will do for the present."

When the valet had disappeared down the trapdoor Birch dropped to his knees and made a searching examination of the roof. In the slight layer of dust some clew might be found.

"It's here, sir"-he looked up with a smiling face-"the tracks of the 'big blackbird.' And the discovery reveals how the other two murders were committed."

Sloan knelt down beside him and watched the movement of Birch's fingers as he pointed out the tracks made by the rubber tired landing wheels of an aeroplane. When the machine had made its departure it had carried away fifteen feet of the ornamental railing

from the roof. "Find a foreigner who answers to the description of Van Benjidck. If he is a skilled aviator he's your man,"

was Sloan's decision. "You remember that the residence of Mr. Flickinger is of this same typeflat roof and so forth?" questioned Birch as they returned to the office.

"I remember, and I also recollect that Thomas Benson lived at the Hotel Batwell, and his room was in the annex, a flat roofed wing. Once in the office Sloan picked up the afternoon edition of a New York

sharp exclamation and pointed to a glaring headline on the front page. "You won't have to look any further, Birch! Your man's found and lost-

newspaper, Suddenly he uttered a

gone to his reward! Listen to this: "'Another daring aviator met death early this morning in some unknown manner. Rudolf Benjidck, well known as a fearless flier, was found crushed to death under the body of his heavy aeroplane on the grounds of the Broadbrook Country club. It is not known at what moment or under what circumstances Benjidck met his death, but it is supposed that he was trying out the big machine which he recently purchased. An investigation is being

made into the matter." Robert Birch had arisen and was but-

toning his coat. "I'll be there at that investigation,"

he said grimly. Two days afterward he returned to the office with a chain of evidence that left no doubt that the unlucky aviator had been the murderer of the three men, whom he believed had worked him harm. The shoes he had worn corresponded in every detail with the footprints found in the attic of the Hinman house, and in his pockets were found not only Mr. Hinman's Jewelry, but diamonds that were afterward identified as the property of James Fifckinger.

There was nothing left to do in the matter. Retribution had overtaken the murderer before he could make use of his guilty gains. The "big blackbird" had proved a bird of evil omen to bing

### Dec. 17 in American History.

orah Sampson, heroine of the Revolution; served three years in the colonial army as a soldier.

1807-John Greenleaf Whittier, poet, born in Liaverbill, Mass.; died 1892. 1881-Isaac Israel Hayes, arctic explorer, died; born 1832.

1912-The United States informed Rus-

sia that the trenty of 1832 would terminate on Jan. 1, 1913.

Yellowed Handkerchiefs. Handkerchiefs which have become vellow can be made snow white by From the doorway where they stood scaking them in pipeciay and water for