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ning for the presidency in the ap-Mark Hanna?

sidered as a candidate for the demoeratic presidential nomination, former timely and wisely.

his father, who was a great smoker wages is sure to follow. of the well-known student pipe, such as Bismarck substituted for cigars toward the end of his life. The old emperor neither smoked nor snuffed, although the latter habit was adopted by Frederick the Great.

most valuable of a maid's perqui- tobacco and sugar in their interest. sites." "No man worth the buying can be bought."

An Iowa mother who knows the the teacher in whose school her boy was being instructed: "Deer Teecher: You rite ta ma an sa ef ah shued skare rite. Ha ba yust lake has fadder on eh the assembled bishops the praises of von Moltke," by Gen. James Grant to give some money to a beggar when of the law were concerned, she called to haf to larn ba a cloob. Pond nolege "militant honesty." Well, it is one of Wilson; and "The Opera Season at the the watch came and with the butt of me, and I dashed out with the bundle in hem. Ah wante ta gat her an his little ways, and we presume the Metropolitan," by A. E. Lancaster, his gun began to drive away the imdon't pa ana tenshun ta what heem preacher in him will always be too With seasonable poems, amusing portunate fellow. Tolstey remon- ley. fader sa. El take kar heem al reit all strong for the mere doer of the work; sketches, critical comments on mod-strated,, and asked him whether he Up to the moment of finding myself reit. Urs truly."

economy on the railroads which he New York Evening Post. controls. Each engine has a tab kept on its daily employment and against it is charged every cent used for oil, fuel, repairs and operation. Thus if engine 200 is found to be costing more than 250 the engineer of the former is osked to explain. The same plan is to be extended to every car on the system. Then the conductors and enginemen who make the best showing are to have bonuses.

maintain themselves. But President day diplomacy recognizes a new gov- the reason, as they could in 1893. ernment before it has even formed a government.

variably overlooked. There lives to- fruitless when inconsistent with our work, not their pot-boilers. day in Auburn, N. Y., at the ripe age acts. of 79, a rich banker named Theodore Mr. Hay's plausible apology for the minutes.

Hanna to the Rescue.

The egotistical announcement of Senator Hanna during the Ohio campaign that a continuance of undisturbed business conditions demanded his return to the senate will soon be Colorado and one in Iowa, the day druggists.

after election. That sure barometer of business, the iron and steel mar-Published Daily and Weekly at 1694 Sec. ket, is becoming more and more de-ond avenue, Rock Island, Ill. [Entered at moralized, and Nov. 5, the steel billet ket, is becoming more and more depool reduced its prices from \$27 to \$23 per ton. The steel trust being the dominating power in the pool would not have agreed to this cut unless the TERMS-Daily, 10 cents per week. Weekly, conditions required it. Cut nails have also been reduced 25 cents a keg All communications of argumentative and other products of the steel trust character, political or religious, must have have also been reduced in price in anch articles will be printed over fictitious like proportion. While these cuts in prices are taking place in the whole-Correspondence solicited from every town. sale market, the reduced price to the consumer has so far not materialized consumer has, so far, not materialized and probably will not for some time. The reduction foreshadows the much more serious problem of reduction in wages that must certainly follow in the spring of 1904. Then will come the crucial test of Senator Hanna's statement that "his reelection was necessary to preserve the industrial and business situation from disturb-

There may be no panic such as occurred in 1892 and '93, but a readjustment of prices and wages is under Saturday, November 28, 1903. way and the result may be as disastrous to business and labor as in the Grover Cleveland is out of the run- former trying times. That the process has already commenced is cerproaching campaign-but how about tain. The New York Journal of Commerce, Nov. 6, reports that a new scale of wages has been signed by the employes of the American Sheet In declining positively to be con- Steel company at Scottdale, Pa. It President Cleveland has acted both in the wages of the skilled workmen. The same newspaper reports on the same day that 8,000 coke ovens are Emperor William has taken to idle in the Connellsville region and

The Innocent Filipinos.

Philippines are again offering prayers harmful features. to the administration and congress for relief from the Dingley protective In a novel just issued by a London they reside in Manila and Panay, The cover design drawn by John Ce- or, its profuse illustrations, and its publisher, Frank Richardson, the au- where numerous newspapers inspired, cil Clay, is in three colors and there entertaining text, it is one of the most thor, makes his characters utter these if not edited, by the Philippine com- are many charming illustrations by inviting of the month's magazines. more or less philosophical observa- mission daily deal out wisdom, seem to well known artists. The magazine Outing, in a word, is a living magations: "Most men are honest; three learn nothing. The cable, if the censor contains an unusual number of clever, zinc. things make them otherwise-women, allows it, keeps them in touch with the entertaining short stories covering a poverty and ambition." "A handsome main political movements here, and yet wide field of human interest, including old man looks as if he had a past and they imagine that a Republican con- "The Land Where the Fairies Linger," in Moscow are told by Professor Edbehaves as though he were sure of a gress or a Republican president would by Nigal Tourneur; "Miss Lurella's ward A. Steiner in his work, "Tolstoy future," "A mistress' secrets are the think of amending the sacred tariff on Plum Pudding," by Harriet Prescott the Man," which is to be issued by the

Roosevelt's Ill Timed Sermon. indictments and dismissals of corrupt James J. Hill has introduced a new Acts, not words, are now wanted .- magazine lovers.

Republicans Must Explain.

The disturbed condition of business outside of Wall street must be faced by the Republicans in the coming presidential campaign. With complete control of all the forces of government, with high tariff protection that they always claim is a guarantee of prosperity, yet banks are bursting, the mills are closing or shortening their running time and notices are given of reduction Savannah (Ga.) News: President of wages. When a like disturbance of James Monroe, who gave to the Unit- business existed in 1893 they placed ed States the famous doctrine to the blame on the Democrats and the which President Roosevelt is devoted, passage of a tariff bill that reduced waited from six to 10 years before the tariff. Now there is no fear of tarrecognizing the independence of the iff reduction for at least two years, and Spanish colonies in South America they assure us that President Rooseafter they had declared themselves velt and a Republican congress will be free. He wanted to be sure that their elected in 1904, and yet the business governments were stable and able to depression has commenced under their auspices. There is something rotten Monroe was an old-fashioned fellow in the state of Denmark, but the Rewith conservative ideas. The present publicans do not explain or cannot see

A National Freebooter.

Medad Pomeroy. On the 3rd of March, Panama aggression, as a piece of speship to be inducted into the higher of- always in "the interests of civilizafice. It is said that Speaker Pomeroy tion." This has been the universal served only five minutes, but the en- plea of the land grabbing "world powcyclopedias and biographical diction- ers." The government of the United aries fail to tell why he was elected States, since joining them, has abdifor so short a period, why he left cated its old position in defense of congress so suddenly, why Colfax re- righteousness and fair dealing among signed to get out of his way and what nations, of insistence on the obliga-Pomeroy did while speaker for five tion of the strong to respect the possessions of the weak. If what we may consider "the interests of civilization" -that is, our own-are in conflict with the moral law, the moral law is not in force.-Philadelphia Ledger.

A Scientific Discovery. put to the test. It is to be hoped that stomach that which it is unable to do color, by Charles Livingston Bull, Senator Hanna's statement, that his for itself, even when but slightly dis- called "The Wild Beasts' Christmas reelection will preserve the industrial ordered or overloaded. Kodol Dys- Dinner," and by the Christmas festivand business situation from disturb- pepsia Cure supplies the natural juices ities of "A Few Real Boys." auce, will be verified and that confi- of digestion and does the work of the "The Story of Rose Fortune," which pany will be held at the Rock Island "Well. I have made an ass of myself. dence, which he believes to be the stomach, relaxing the nervous ten- begins in this number, is a remark- office of the company, corner Seven- The boy must have dropped the things, basis of prosperity, will be preserved, sion, while the inflamed muscles of able account of the struggles and teenth street and First avenue, Fri- and I picked them up." The signs of the times, however, do that organ are allowed to rest and achievements of a country girl who day, Nov. 27, 1903, at 3:30 p. m., for Then my wife came upstairs and for not bear out his prognostications, as heal. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests came to New York to earn her living. the election of directors, and any oth- the first time examined the bundle. since his election was assured the what you eat and enables the stomach A sketch of Charles J. Bonaparte er business that may come before the No; I don't think thieves have an stock markets have again largely de- and digestive organs to transform all gives a vivid picture of one of the meeting. clined and three banks failed, two in food into rich, red blood. Sold by all most useful citizens and the article

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MAGAZINES

Those interested in American "so goes into effect the first of the year the so-called "smart set" is a newsand carries a reduction of 20 per cent paper-made plutocracy and that America is unique in this respect. To read Lady Henry Somerset's article British Social Life," in the December smoking a most elaborate pipe, which the remaining 14,000 ovens are only Cosmopolitan, corrects this view, Lady door life in addition to being authorawas especially prepared in Havana, running about half time. With an in- Somerset is an important member live. In the December number he He inherits the smoking habit from dustry in such shape a reduction of of the old aristocracy, and her article seems to have made good his promise, Our unsophisticated subjects in the a protest against some of its more usual helpful departments for sports-

Ebers, Frank H. Spearman, George the military regulations." Horton and other famous writers. Inited States Senator Hoar, of Massanade many marked improvements.

There are twenty-two items in the contents page of the December Lesmas Memories," with illustrations in color by E. Benson Knipe; by a strik-Kodol Dyspepsia Cure does for the ing series of animal drawings, also in

on Wall street explains clearly and

strikingly the wretched causes of ou present financial difficulties.

There are stories by Eden Philpotts, Harrison Rhodes, J. J. Bell, Yone Noguchi and many others, and the illusciety" often express an opinion that trations for them are by Bayard Jones, F. Gruger, Harrison Fisher, O. Toaspern and Mary Wilson Watkins.

When Caspar Whitney became editor of Onting, he promised a magazine which should reflect in text and pictures, the human side of the outon the new fashionable London of to- for, from cover to cover, the magaday is at once an interesting commen- line teems with human interest and tary on the tendency of the times and living photographs. There are the men, touching shooting, fishing, etc., and Mr. Whitney's comment on cur-The Criterion for December is rent maters of the outdoor world. Altariff. These innocent natives, though among the handsomest holiday issues, together, with its frontispiece in col-

Interesting details of Tolstoy's life Spofford; "While the Kettle Boils," Outlook company. "Tolstoy's favorby Charles B. Going; "Confessions of ite walk in Moscow," says the writer. as I. We hurriedly talked over differ-Hen," by Ellen B. Sherman; and "A "was down the river bank to the ent plans of action and finally decided Rebellious Christmas Bell," by Eliza- Krelm, that mixture of church and that I was to make an effort to get the With cloud after cloud upon his ad- beth A. Moore, etc. There are special state, of barbarism and civilization, ministration, with suspicion falling up- articles of an authorative, independ that last citadel of an absolute monvalue of education sent this letter to on one department after another, with dent, original nature calculated to archy among civilized people. Rug-standing in a yard by itself. The four win and hold the attention of every ged, quaint, and queer as is the Krelm officials taking up the time of the cab- reader. Of special note are "The Fu- was this frequent visitor on whose a platform, from which one could see inet meetings and with senators veto- ture of the Isthmus," by Edward Em- footsteps fastened numbers of beg- in every direction. My wife went up ef yu vip Olaf. Ah hereby giv yu eh ing the punishment of their proteges, erson, Jr., a paper of special value on gars from whom he never turned on to this platform, and when the coast legal reit ta lik hem eny teem ets all he yet finds time to go and sing before the present Panama crisis; "Count away. One day, he says, he was going was clear, so far as uniformed officers but really on this occasion he seemed ern publications, the Criterion offers did not know the gospel, in which free from my own premises without into have chosen his time singularly ill. an exceptionally fine opportunity to Christ commanded us to love our Wayside Tales for December con- arme replied shrewdly, 'You may the rear of my own house would be a tains stories by Robert Barr, George know the gospel, but you don't know

The contents of the December Succhusetts, has also contributed a chap- cess (Christmas issue), show the reter from his "Autobiography of Sev- markable manner in which this maga- ing what coolness there was left in me, enty Years," "How to Talk," is a zine has taken a leading place among I emerged upon this avenue and enstriking department by Mary Rich- the popular publications of the world. tered the throng. ards Gray which is calculated to at- It contains the latest poem by James I could not have regained much of tract unusual interest. The Christmas Whitcomb Riley, "It's 'Got' to Be," a my equanimity, for my telltale appearstory is "The Touchstone," by George fascinating piece of work done in the ance caused people I met to glance at Ebers, the famous German author of hoosier master's best vein. Mr. Riley me. This made matters worse, and the "The Egyptian Princess," "Uarda," also contributes an interesting inter- farther I walked the more I was noetc. The new publishers, the Samp- view on children, evolving the ideas of ticed. I turned into a recess between son-Hodges company. Chicago, have a bachelor who has a large family of several buildings and was about to children and is overfond of them, - drop my bundle when a door opened Mr. Riley being the bachelor and the and a woman came out. I dashed out The new publishers of Everybody's children of his poems his family. of the place and made no further effort Magazine declare the holiday issue of Vance Thompson contributes a some- till I had gained the outskirts of the the publication to be much the best what startling article entitled, "No- city. Coming to a bridge, I tied a stone they have yet produced. It is not the table People I Have Interviewed," in to the bundle with a view to dropping typical Christmas number made up of which he tells of his experience as a lit in the water. Just as I was about to stilted fiction and pictures of the fes- journalist while trying to secure in- do so who should drive by but my tival in many lands. It is just an formation from such great men as friend Charley Reeves. especially lively and entertaining Zola, Dreyfus, and Bismarck, and incimagazine, full of really good stories, dentally discloses hitherto unknown up. "What are you doing away out clever pictures, and well written and diplomatic secrets. "The Peasant here?" timely articles. In Everybody's one Days of Pope Pius X.," by Salvatore I stammered out something incohes If we are to throw over the 1en never finds a distinguished name tack- Cortesi contains some remarkable ent, and Reeves, looking at me search-In mentioning the names of living Commandments and enroll ourselves ed to a dull tale. Among its contribuex-speakers of the United States among the national freebooters we may tors are the ablest writers of the day, In "How to Decorate Your Own and "out of my head." He forced me house of representatives one is in- as well do it frankly. Apologies are but it is in connection with their best Home," Josephine Wright Chapman, into his wagon and drove me home. gives timely hints to those who cannot By this time I had given up in despair afford costly adornments. "Does the and concluded to go back without re-The lively pen that created "A De. Higher Education of Women Tend to sistance and submit to arrest. I entered tached Pirate" has lost no vivacity in Happiness in Marriage," by Charlotte my house, expecting to find the police 1869, Mr. Pomeroy was elected speak- cial pleading, will unpleasantly sug- its latest tale, "The Fascinating of Perkins Gilman, explains itself. "The there waiting for me. I was relieved er of the house to succeed Schuyler gest the arguments put forth at St. Mr. Savage." The wielder of the pen Freedom of the Black-Faced Ram," by that they were not and had not been Colfax, who had been elected vice Petersburg to justify some fresh ex- is Helen Milecete, who tells a story of Charles G. D. Roberts, is one of the there. My wife made me lie down and president and resigned the speaker- tension of Russian influence, which is intrigue, love, and final joy that most human of his nature studies. bathed my temples with cold water. ought o eliminate sobriety from the Every lawyer in America will read The bundle lay on the table, and I dullest existence. The novel appears with interest the witty sayings of could not compose myself till she had complete in Lippincott's Christmas Judge Logan E. Buckley, of Georgia, who forms the subject of a character- getting quieted down when there came sketch by H. Gerald Chapin. Good a sharp ring at the door bell. fiction is suplied by Henry Kitchell Webster, Samuel Merwin, John Oxenham, and Miss Zona Gale, and there stairs and opened the door. I listened e's, including ten stories, eight pages are new poems by Mr. Riley, Holman from the landing and heard a boy's of most attractive color work and a F. Day, Alfred J. Waterhouse, Robert number of excellent articles, among Gray, and Mary Gage Heyer. "The which "The Degradation of Wall Success' Portfolio," on heavy proof Christmas flavor is delightfully supplied by a little story called "Christ- painting by Robert H. Roth and portraits of Miss Alice Roosevelt and

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DAILY SHORT STORY

Stolen Goods.

People wonder when they hear of the blundering methods thieves take to realize on their plunder that they act so stupidly. Is it stupidity or have they a difficult problem to solve? I've "been there" myself and know something about it.

One day I saw a bundle lying on the sidewalk in front of my house. I picked it up and was fingering it to discover what was inside when I saw a policeman looking at me. I didn't wish to turn over my find to him, and even if I did so he might accuse me of stealing it. Assuming a careless air, I walked on past my house and around the block. When I reached my door as I took out my key I glanced down the street. There was the policeman eying me with a very suspicious look on his face. Once inside I opened the package. It contained a piece of silk, some handserchiefs and stockings. At first I supposed some one had bought the articles, but on second thought concluded |

I felt very uncomfortable at my position. Indeed I became much alarmed. must get rid of the parcel as soon as

that a "shoplifter" had stolen them

and, finding it dangerous to have them

in his or her keeping, had dropped

possible. Mind you, I was not facing a problem of securing their value. All I cared to do was to get them out of my possession. My first thought was to burn them. Unfortunately it is very difficult to burn such fabrics without creating an unpleasant odor, and I could not tell when the policeman who had followed me might enter the house The next expedient I conceived was to hide them. That would never do. If the house were searched it would be searched thoroughly. These plans were abandoned as soon as conceived.

I tied up the bundle and, going upstairs to my wife, was about to tell her what had happened when she showed me that matters were even worse than I had supposed by exclaim-

"Heavens, how white you are! What's the matter?"

Then I knew that if found with the goods on my hands my appearance would be strong proof against me. I told her the story, and she was at once thrown into the same state of anxiety goods out of the house.

Ours was separate from other houses

terruption I had supposed that the rest neighbor and in good even to those would be very easy. I did not find it who hate us, and the puzzled gend- so. To drop the bundle in the alley in bad giveaway. I must reappear with it on the street. Fortunately I was able to get on an avenue where I would not be liable to encounter the man who had suspected me. Summon-

"Hello, Tompkins," he said, reining

put it where I couldn't see it. I was

"Now, keep up, dear," said my wife, "for my sake." Then she went downvoice say:

"Will you please sign for the goods you bought this morning? I didn't get There was silence for some moments, then my wife seemed to have recovered sufficiently to say:

"I have not received them." An idea shot into my head. "What did you buy?" I called. "Five yards of silk, a dozen handker-

easy time disposing of their goods. I'd rather saw wood than be in that busi-

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