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Lawyers should go a little slow about protesting against the appointment of Schroebel on the ground of lack of legal knowledge. None of them can guess very accurately what the law is. Even members of the United States Supreme Court disagree in their guesses.

If Senator Bourne's influence with the president should extend so far as to persuade him to run for the office again we will be prepared to forgive Jonathan many things.

### What Would We Give to be Able to Look in the Future.

As far back as we can go with our history people have been looking in or trying to look into the future, even the Kings of old had the learned men that studied to try to penetrate the future, they had dreams and grew very wrathy if their soothsayers could not tell them what the meaning was, just so with our people today, for look at the people we have today who go to people who promise them or tell them they can open up to them the future, while I am not a prophet or the son of a prophet I have made the future a study, as to how things are going, and have come to the conclusion that in regards to many things there will be little or no change, for example take heating stoves I am adertising that there can be no change in the price of this article, in my great inthusiasm to lead in this line of business, last fall I got more heaters than I needed to supply my wants, and knowing that I can buy next fall as cheap as I can now, I do not want to carry over what I now have on hand, so in order to move what I now have I am going to offer to the people of this community a bargain in order to do so, I am going to sell any and all my heaters at a reduction of 10 per cent off the prices I have been selling them. You no doubt need one now and can use one for at least 3 months this season and have it for the future and save per cent on the purchase, a stove that I have sold at $12.50 you can save $1.25 would not this pay you to buy one now. I am determined to sell more goods this year than I did last year and in order to do so I will have to go some, I must have the assistance of every man and woman in the county, to do it, so if you think I am not going to do the right thing by you in order to do this you come and see me and I will show you. In order to increase my business I must sell as good goods and must sell them as cheap as my competitors sell them or I would not expect your business. I have a full line of hardware and a complete line, I am agent for the best incubator on the market, the Petaluma, and can sell them to you just as cheap as you can buy them at the factory, so come in and let us have a talk about your business this year, I want your business and if good goods and fair treatment will get it, it is mine.

Yours for the tanner business this year.

Shortie Garnett.

### Notice

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Miss Maybellie Watson, who proved herself a heroine when the steamer Columbia went down after collision with the steam schooner San Pedro, was the recipient of a Christmas present on Wednesday that shows the undying gratitude of Miss Emma Greise of Cleveland, Ohio, the woman whom Miss Watson saved from a watery grave. A large solitaire diamond, set in a plain gold ring, was received at the Watson residence as a token from Miss Greise. When the Columbia went down off the Mendocino coast, Miss Watson, struggling for her life, found Miss Greise in the chilly waters and placing one arm around her swam with the tide and kept her head above the waves until rescued, insisting that Miss Greise be taken the life boat ahead of herself.

## THE BOYERTOWN TRAGEDY

Boyertown, Pa., Jan. 5.—With the opening of the four improvised morgues today, in which lay the victims of Monday night's theater horror, the inhabitants of this borough began to realize the awful extent of the tragedy.

The hand of sorrow has touched probably every family in the town and in many neighboring villages. Where families were not directly affected by the terrible panic and fire through the loss of relatives, they were mourning for lost ones or acquaintances. The gruesome scenes following the disaster bring a shudder to the stoutest heart and many of the thousands who have come as curiosity seekers have gone away declaring they never want to witness another sight like it.

The four buildings used as morgues contain 168 bodies. The three undertaking establishments of the town were too small to accommodate the victims so the borough officials decided to use the high school. Undertakers from surrounding towns were pressed into service to care for the bodies. To each body was attached a tag containing a number and with the corpse was laid articles of jewelry or clothing that might have been in possession of the victim.

It is believed that all of the bodies have been recovered, fifty have been identified. Most of the bodies were in such condition that few of them will be recognized by their features alone. In nearly every case, the upper portion of the bodies were burned, some of them to a crisp. Because of the difficulty of identification and the attendant confusion, the Coroner decided to keep the morgues closed until today and during the morning the doors of the buildings were thrown open. Hundreds of people were waiting at each place to get a look a the bodies in the hope of finding the remains of loved ones. erfect porder was maintained at each of the morgues, a squad of police being on duty to keep the crowds moving. Jacob Johnson, who was badly hurt in the mad rush for exit from the burning building, died this morning.

H. L. Deane, of Denver, Colo., is visiting his brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Johnson, for a few days. He is on his way home, having visited his brothers located in Eugene, Oregon.

### A Doubtful Assertion.

Browne—They say that drowning men catch at straws.

Towne—Yes, but I doubt it. I've seen a number of men drown, and those of them who had any preference at all seemed in favor of a plank. In fact, I do not now recall ever having been asked for a straw by a gentleman who was drowning.—New York Journal.

### Extravagant.

Kind Lady—If I give you this penny what will you do with it? Beggar—Hire a motor cab and show me friend Rigsby the town, ma'am.—Illustrated Bits.

Conceit may puff a man up, but never props him up.—Ruskin.

### Cheap Fun.

He—You talk about men playing poker. It is no worse a vice than the shopping habit of the women. She—Perhaps not, morally speaking; but, then, it takes money to play poker, whereas a woman can shop all day without it costing her a cent except what she pays for car fare.—Boston Transcript.

### Might Have Known.

An austere looking lady walked into a furrier's and said to the shopman, "I should like to purchase a muff."

"What fur?" demanded the man.

"To keep my hands warm, you idiot!" exclaimed the lady.—London Scraps.

—Sewing machine needles at Medford Pharmacy.

## A STRENUOUS RULER.

### Daring, Coolness and Bravery of James IV. of Scotland.

One of the interesting characters of history is James IV., king of Scotland from 1473 to 1513. He was athletic, courageous and fond of adventure. In putting down insurrections and improving the criminal administration of the country he was foremost in the ranks and did not shun a hand to hand contest. He married a daughter of Henry VII. of England and made a treaty which secured peace between the two countries. He labored to build up a navy and develop commerce and showed skillful diplomacy in dealing with other nations. He was killed in battle at Flodden, where his army was disastrously defeated by Henry VIII.

Those were strenuous times, when it was necessary for a king to be a fighter and to inspire his obstreperous subjects with some degree of terror. King James used often to go about the country in different disguises, not only because he loved adventure, but because he could thus secure information on the state of the nation at first hand.

It is related of the vigorous Scottish king that once when wandering through the hills during the night he was overtaken by a violent storm and was obliged to take shelter in a cavern near Wemyss, which is one of the most remarkable antiquities of Scotland. Having advanced some way in, the king discovered a number of men and women ready to begin to roast a sheep for supper. From their appearance he suspected that he had fallen into evil company, but as it was then too late he asked hospitality from them till the tempest was over. They granted it and invited the king, who was unknown to them, to sit down and join them at supper. They were a notorious band of robbers and cutthroats, and this fact soon dawned upon James.

As soon as they had finished their supper one of them presented a plate on which two daggers were laid in the form of a St. Andrew's cross, telling the king that this was the dessert they always served to strangers; that he must choose one of the daggers and fight him whom the company selected as his antagonist. The king, realizing that he was to be murdered, instantly seized both daggers, one in each hand, and plunged them into the hearts of the two robbers nearest to him. He then dashed out of the cave and made his escape, returning as soon as possible with a body of soldiers, by whom the whole band was arrested and publicly hanged.—Punxsutawney Spirit.

## A BRAHMS ANECDOTE.

### The Man Who Spoiled an Evening For the Great Composer.

Among the Brahms anecdotes which are popular in Germany this one was contributed by Frau Luise Pohl. Brahms liked Baden-Baden and took as much pleasure in a winter visit to the place as in the crowded summer time. The residents knew this when they invited him in 1876 to come and direct some of his works. After the concert the friends of the master assembled at Goldemen Kranz by invitation of the oberburgermeister ganner to "drink a glass of wine." The session lasted long, but gradually the company grew smaller. Presently they had all gone except Brahms and Cornelius Rubner. After awhile even Brahms suggested home, and his young companion eagerly agreed to adjourn the session. On the way home Brahms asked his companion, whose name he had not heard, "By the way, do you know this young director Rubner?"

"Are you interested in him?" he asked by way of answer.

"Certainly. Adolf Jensen thinks he is not only great, but genial. Don't you know him?"

"I know him very well. He is an arrogant, conceited fellow, who can do nothing and knows nothing."

The pleasure of the evening was spoiled by this harsh opinion as to a man whom Brahms had made up his mind to like. The next morning he attended, with some others, a breakfast at Jensen's, where he told the story. He had hardly finished when the door opened and Rubner walked in.

"That's the man who slandered your friend," said Brahms, and when everybody laughed he suspected what was told to him as soon as the first man recovered.

## VANISHED TREASURES.

### Masterpieces of Art That Are Lost to the World.

The "Venus de Milo," which has been in the Louvre for many years is, as all the world knows, an imperfect piece of sculpture, though it is the greatest treasure of its kind the world has ever seen. A great reward would be given the man who could find the missing parts. About 1878 the most important of them—the right arm—came to light in London and was proved by experts to be genuine. The owner, however, refused to part with it and concealed it for fear it would be stolen. Unfortunately he died without revealing its hiding place, so it is as much lost as ever.

A bronze drinking cup which was stolen from an Egyptian temple in 1789 and brought to Europe has miraculously disappeared. On it is engraved the whole history of the Pharaohs, and it could easily be sold for $100,000. In fact, the French government offered a reward of $14,000 for its discovery, but the famous cup has vanished, probably forever.

Another treasure which has vanished in as strange a way is the Marcella vase of the Dresden collection. This is the only piece missing from the famous Dresden Marcella collection, the value of which is said to be $75,000. It bears the cross arrows and the lion's head. Not long ago the vase was said to be in England, but, be that as it may, the person who rediscovers this treasure may command any price in reason for it.

How it is possible that a treasure so large as a painting could be lost sight of entirely is not easily explained, but this has often happened. One of Reynolds' paintings, "Countess of Derby," which is considered his best portrait, has disappeared. Not long after it was painted it disappeared from the collection of the Earl of Derby and has never been heard of since, though it would bring $150,000 to the finder. There are also two Vandykes and a Rembrandt missing, for which collectors are willing to pay $200,000. The Earl of Crewe would give a large sum for the return of a Cupid which some vandal cut from the portrait of the former Countess of Crewe and her son, who was painted as the sprite.—St. Louis Republic.

## THE STAGE KISS.

### It Tests the Genius of the Actor and the Actress.

The stage kiss is important. There is nothing which so tests the genius of an actor and an actress as the ability under just such circumstances to produce the illusion of love. On the stage it is necessary for them to forget their own personalities, to smother their own feelings, one for the other, and in the place of the warped though genuine kiss we see at the railroad station and the steamship wharf present to our eyes by the magic of their acting a highly artificial product.

And this highly artificial product, because it is art and because it is produced by art, impresses us as real and genuine where the actually real and genuine would have filled us only with derision and contempt, just as real tears on the stage would fail to move us. Indeed, the best stage kisses, the kisses that are most convincing in the way of realism, are usually given and received by actors and actresses whose feeling for each other in private life is, to say the least, indifferent. Frequently, if audiences only knew, they watch lovemaking on the stage between men and women who are literally at daggers' points with each other.

I would not go so far as to say that such a state of feeling always contributes to good stage lovemaking and to realistic stage kissing, but I do know that it is an axiomatic truth, recognized by theatrical managers everywhere, not to engage playfolk lovers to enact similar roles in a drama if it is at all possible to get any one else.—Blanche Ring in "The Psychology of the Stage Kiss."

### Indigestion.

The following cure for indigestion is recommended by the eminent Dr. Bond in the London Lancet, a medical journal of world wide repute.

"The indigestion must be a very hopeless one," says Dr. Bond, "which will not yield to a diet of a small cup of warm milk to which a teaspoonful of rum has been added, followed by a plain biscuit or two and some very mild cheese, paradoxical as this combination may seem."

According to Dr. Bond, there is a subtle harmony between these ingredients that does the business.

## TIPS AND TIPPING.

### The Customary Exactions on Board the Atlantic Liners.

Do not take fright at what you may hear about excessive tips on steamers and in Europe. They are numerous, but need not be large. To scatter your money wildly in tips will mark you as a novice. All the servants will quickly spot you, pass the word around and fleece you. Tips vary, of course, in accordance with the grade of steamers, hotels and other accommodations. If you travel in a specially equipped floating palace you must expect to pay at least $25 for steamer tips. On regular first class steamers, however, the following are customary and will be ample: Stateroom steward, $2.50; stateroom stewardess, $2.50; dining room steward, $2.50. These are obligatory. On the cheaper first class steamers they may be reduced to $1 each and be entirely dignified. It all depends on the boat. By talking with other passengers you can readily learn the customary scale for your steamer. If you use the bathroom regularly, pay the bathroom steward $1; if less frequently this might be cut to 25 cents a bath. If you read books from the library, give the steward a tip varying from $1 down to 25 cents, according to grade of steamer and frequency of his service to you.

The deck steward's gratuity is a variable quantity; he has opportunity for getting tips from so many people that he fares better than inside stewards, who are restricted to a certain number; hence do not be uneasy about him. Give him what you think he has earned in waiting on you, according to relative service with the other stewards. A dollar is the maximum expected on ordinary boats.

Thus your total tips need not exceed $10 a voyage and may not be more than $5. Be reasonable in what you require of stewards, and if you should ask special service of them outside the line of their regular duties, pay them for it.—Myra Emmons in Good Housekeeping.

## EARTH'S LATENT POWER.

### All Solid Substance May Vanish In a Moment of Time.

The late Professor S. P. Langley, secretary of the Smithsonian institution, speaking of earthquakes, said:

"The consideration of the unfamiliar powers certainly latent in nature, such as belong to a little tremor of the planet's surface or such as was shown in that scene I have described," referring to phenomena he had witnessed when the comparatively insignificant effect of a few tons of dynamite was to make solid buildings unrealities, "may help us to understand that the words of the great poet are but the possible expression of a physical fact; that 'the cloud capped towers, the gorgeous palaces, the solemn temples, and we with them, may indeed some day inconceivably vanish as the airy nothing at the touch of Prospero's wand, and without the warning to us of a single instant that the security of our ordinary lives is about to be broken.'

"We concede this, however, in the present case only as an abstract possibility, for the advance of astronomical knowledge is much more likely to show that the kernel of the comet is but the bigness of some large meteorite against which our air is an efficient shield, and the chance of evil is most remote—in any case only such as may come in any hour of our lives from any quarter, not alone from the earthquake, but from the pestilence that walketh in darkness from the infinitely little below and within us as well as from the infinite powers of the universe without.

"Something common to man and the brute speaks at such times, if never before or again; something which is not altogether physical apprehension, but more like the moral dismay when the shock of an earthquake is felt for the first time, and we know that startling doubt superior to reason whether the valid frame of earth is real, and not baseless as the fabric of a vision."—Washington Star.

### Found a New Epithet.

"If you go in swimmin'," said Tommy's younger brother, "I'll tell maw!"

"Tell 'er, if you want to, you nasty little muck raker!" blurted Tommy, plunging into the water.—Chicago Tribune.

### Not If They Know It.

Barker—I wonder why most married women are afraid of their husbands?

Parker—I guess it's because men never propose to the other kind.—Detroit Tribune.


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## THE PECTORAL FINS.

### Without Them the Fish Would Stand on Its Head.

The pectoral fins of a fish are the two fins, one on each side, just back of the head. These fins aid the fish to some extent in swimming. They are small oars which the fish feathers very beautifully and are of value chiefly to preserve its equilibrium. It is with these fins that the fish maintains its horizontal position in the water when not swimming. Without them the fish would stand on its head. Sometimes a fish loses one or both of its pectoral fins by disease or by accident. A fish without pectoral fins is in a bad way.

While most fishes keep a horizontal position in the water when not swimming, there are fishes that do not. One of these fishes is the filefish, which when motionless suspends itself in the water, head downward, at an angle of forty-five degrees or even nearer the perpendicular. A filefish kept in an aquarium which had lost both its pectoral fins inclined over backward past the perpendicular when motionless to about the same angle that it would have kept in the other direction if its pectoral fins had been intact, so that when not in motion it seemed to be lying at an angle on its back.

In the same aquarium there was a striped bass weighing about a pound and a half, one of whose pectoral fins was attacked at the tip by fungus, which gradually encroached upon it. Finally the diseased portions of the fin were cut off with a pair of sharp shears, the cut being made within the sound part of the fin. At first the fish was like a man in a boat pulling one long oar and one short one—it couldn't hold a course. But it soon accustomed itself to its new condition, and thereafter it got along very comfortably.

### The Stars and Stripes.

When the stars and stripes went down at Charleston in 1861 they went up immediately in every town and city in the loyal states. Four years later they went up again on Fort Sumter. Major Anderson lowered the flag in 1861. Major General Anderson raised the identical flag again four years later. Three hundred and fifty thousand Union soldiers had given up their lives that he might raise it. The south was in ruins. Three million slaves had been made free. All that that little piece of bunting might be at the top of the staff once more. And when the American schoolboy and schoolgirl see the flag on the schoolhouse they should be taught to remember all this.—Washington Post.

### How to Fire a Cannon Firecracker.

The most impressive way to discharge a cannon firecracker is to hold it tightly between the thumb and forefinger. The effect is heightened in an inverse ratio with the age of the holder. In the very young it is sometimes possible not only to lose the hand, but part of the arm.

### The Firecracker and the Torpedo.

Said a jolly firecracker to a little plump torpedo,

"If you were patriotic, you would wear a suit of red
And stand up in the window just as straight as we do!"
And this is what the smart torpedo said:

"I am just as patriotic, though I wear no scarlet jacket,
For I'm no such blooming little firebrand as you.
Tomorrow you'll be learning, when you hear the racket,
What a little plump torpedo then can do!"

—New York Herald.

Equality may be all right, but no human power can convert it into a fact.—Balzac.

## CHURCHES OF MEDFORD.

Methodist Episcopal Church—W. C. Reuter pastor. Preaching every Sabbath 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m., D. Lawton, supt. Class meeting follows preaching service Sunday morning. Julius Mecker, leader. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. Fred Fridegar, president. Regular prayer meetings every Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m. Ladies Aid Society every Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. Mrs. J. P. Roberts, president. W. F. M. S. meets first Friday in each month. Mrs. Mary Fielder, president.

Presbyterian Church—Rev. W. F. Shields pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m., Jas Martin, Supt. Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p. m. Junior Christian Endeavor, 3 p. m. Every Thursday prayer meeting, 8 p. m. First Tuesday evening of every month church social. Second Tuesday every month, 2:30 p. m., Mission society. First and third Tuesdays every month, 2:30 p. m., Aid society. Rev. W. F. Shields, Pastor; Miss Beulah Warner, Supt S. S.; Miss Edith Van Dyke Superintendent C. E.; David M. Day, Pres. S. E. Mrs. J. G. Van Dyke, Pres. Aid society; Mrs J. W. Cox, Pres. Mission Society.

Christian church—Corner of Sixth and streets. Services on the first and third Sundays of each month. Sunday school and Christian Endeavor at usual hours every Sunday. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening. The people welcome. Rev. M. P. Home, Pastor.

Methodist Episcopal Church South—W. T. Goulder, pastor. Preaching every Sunday a 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 2 p. m. Woman's Home Mission Society meets first Wednesday in each month at 2:30 p. m. Every one is cordially invited to all our services.

Free Methodist Church—Sunday School 10 o'clock. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening. REV. FRANCIS SMITH, Pastor.

W. R. C. meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in the month at G. A. R. hall. Visiting members are invited to attend our meetings.

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## STRIKING EYEGLASSES.

### No Law Which Declares It an Aggravated Offense.

It is the common opinion that for striking a man with glasses on there is a severer penalty than for striking him under similar circumstances when he is not wearing glasses. Careful search, however, does not bring forth any statutory provision which declares the offense greater when the man who is struck wears glasses. The prevalence of this idea is due, no doubt, to the probability of the judge in such cases giving the convicted the extreme penalty. The legal term for assault under such circumstances is "mayhem," signifying that the assailant has in one way or another deprived his victim of the power of defending himself.

During an altercation from which a struggle is apt to ensue any one wearing glasses would be wise to remove them, unobserved if possible, however, because if noticed it might act as a signal to begin hostilities.

Many think that glasses would be a source of general protection in these cases and often take advantage on that ground, but this is wrong, because no court would hold it worse to strike a man with glasses than one without unless the assailant struck directly at his opponent's eyes, with the intent to wound or maim him, and whether one were hit elsewhere than on the eyeglasses would not enter the case at all.—Jewelers' Circular-Weekly.


## Growing Business

You never heard of a man having to consult an oculist on account of weak eyes caused from looking on the bright side of things. Lots of people in the world would be real good if they didn't think they were so good. Then take the other fellow who has troubles and tries to drown them. In nearly every case, he seems to think they are located in his stomach. Worry is the undesirable thought a fellow can't help thinking. Cheer up! You are not half as bad off as you think you are. Prosperity is in the air, and although it may not have struck you yet, it will in a few days or a few weeks, because we're going to have several more years of it. Gosh, how this store is growing. People from all over the world are flocking to Medford on account of our wonderful prosperity. We'll soon have to have about two more stores right here in this town. I think if you haven't been in, it's about time you were coming. There is lots of good stuff to look at. You needn't hurry about buying—all we want is to have you look and not overlook.

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