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Crisis.

Affairs can easily reach a crisis, but they are never permitted to stop there. —Chicago Democrat.

$100 REWARD $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address

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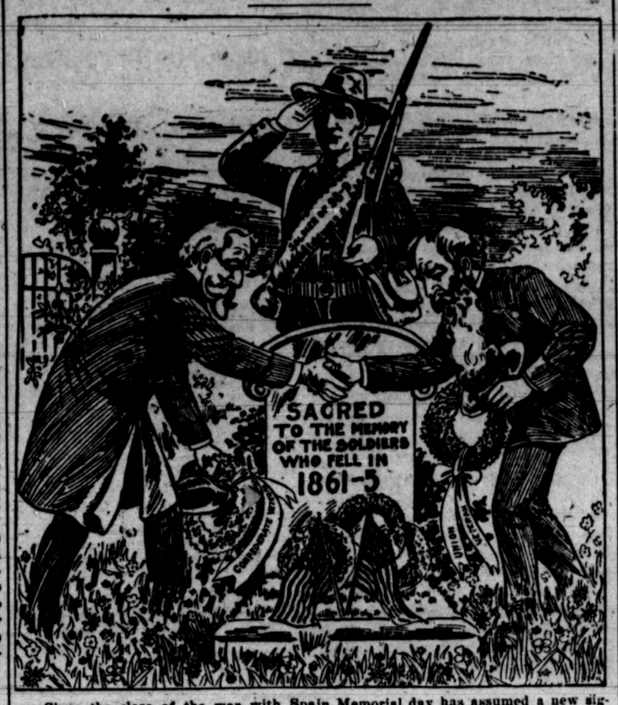
SOLDIER OF '98 JOINS THE NORTH AND THE SOUTH.



Since the close of the war with Spain Memorial day has assumed a new significance. The dead of two wars are honored, and the real meaning of the day is brought home to the later generation as it never has been before. The haziness that time gives to memories of those who have gone to their last resting place is brushed aside and the real import of the day stands out with more distinctness. One day in the year may well be given over entirely to honoring our soldier dead. It is not too much. They gave up their lives some to hold the country undivided and some to relieve a down-trodden people at the threshold of our republic. We owe them a debt of gratitude that we never can repay, whether they fought in the civil war or the war with Spain. Their devotion and their courage entitle them to the grateful remembrance we show, and the recent additions to their number make the real significance of the exercises more distinct.

DECORATION DAY.

Wal', now, it don't seem like a year hev
gone—a hull roun' year—
Sence we was fallin' into line to celebrate
this here.
It don't seem possible, yit that's the trick
time allus plays,
N' every year'll git more short 'twixt Decoration days.

N' every year the roll-call 'll be gittin'
shorter, too;
We're missin' lots o' faces that we didn't
use to do.
The names is droppin' off—no tellin' which
one of us may
Be counted out at muster on next Decoration
Day.

It's gittin' kinder funny, too, to see the o'
gray heads—
Fer blame if every one of us ain't showin'
silver threads.
Ol' fellers! yes, the youngest ain't got nothin'
else to say;
It war'n't so ten years ago on Decoration
Day.

Why, we was on'y boys—mere boys—ten
years ago; but then
We'd somehow got the notion up to think
ourselves ol' men;
'N' so, p'r'aps ten years from now, if any
of us stay,
We'll think that we was on'y boys this
Decoration Day.

Then close in, veter'ns, close in, men; ol'
comrades, git in line,
Touch elbows once again—that's right—it
warms you up like wine.
Pr'aps 'tain't often more we'll meet—brace
up 'n' step 'out gay;
We might be angels touchin' wings next
Decoration Day.

So close in, veter'ns, close in, men; ol' comrades, git in step;
Play up the tunes we used to march—we'll
keep the time we kep'.
We ain't too ol' fer three times three; God
save the flag, hurray!
Shake hands all roun' 'n' fall in, boys, fer
Decoration Day.

—Madeline S. Bridges.

ON THE ROLL OF HONOR.

HE always knew when Mike was coming; the manner of his entrance never left room for doubt. There was always the confused murmur of a wordy dispute with the elevator boy downstairs who refused to operate his machine for newsboys, the quick rush of bare feet up the stairs to the shrill accompaniment of "Mah Coal Black Lady," or "Mr. Johnson, Turn Me Loose;" the door would fly open with a crash and Mike would be in the center of the room shouting "Ev'nen Journal! Lat'st war news!" from a golden imagination yellowing the already very yellow news of his paper in a manner that must have won him an editorship could the proprietor of the sheet have heard him. This particular May afternoon the method of his entrance differed in no way from the usual routine, save that the door flew open a little more suddenly and swung to again with a little louder crash if possible. But once inside it was evident that Mike was unduly excited. The papers which he usually held out in front at arm's length to display to the best advantage their half-page scare heads were tucked securely under one arm; his big black eyes danced jubilantly and he entirely forgot business and the startling news of his papers in the vastly greater importance of his own news.

"Say, wot yer tink! De ol' man's 'listed fer a soger; he's go'n t'war! Ain't he a bird?" he shouted.

"Whose old man?" I inquired.

"Mine! Me dad! Whose'd yer suppose? Git de wool out o' yer t'inker!" he replied scornfully.

"But, Mike, who is going to support the family?" I inquired, remembering a vivid description Mike had once given me of six little Murphys of whom he was the eldest and only "leven" at that.

"De fam'ly's all right. Dad says dat if he goes off to de scrap de folks wot stays home is boun' to take care uv his fam'ly. Say, yer ought to see 'im. He's all right, ye bet! De reg'ment marches to-morrer."

It was the first time I had ever heard Mike speak of his father with anything like respect. I knew him to be a drunken ne'er-do-well, who abused his wife and children and contributed little to their support. The days wore on. Regiment after regiment passed through the city en route for the South and Mike was joyously full of excitement. Every afternoon he blew into the office and every day his stories of the news grew bigger and more yellow. He followed every move of the army and his imagination ran riot with the possibilities of the world-changing drama being enacted. Every scrap of news in regard to his father's regiment was on his tongue's end, and I soon found that with the donning of his blue coat his father had become a hero. As for Mike himself he was the same impudent, sharp-eyed, dirty, ragged little gamin as of yore, one of the most successful newsboys on the street, an inveterate scrapper and gambler, and on his own confession, rarely at night having more than half his day's earnings to take home. When I remonstrated with him and pointed out that he should take his father's place, he was always ready with an answer, fall ing back on the old argument that if his father fought for his country it was his country's place to look after his family.

The summer wore on. The Fourth of July dawned hot and sultry. The temperature rose with the sun; at 10 o'clock it was 80; at 11 o'clock 90 and at noon it registered 96 in the shade. The glare from the asphalt streets blinded the eyes. Men panted for breath and now and then one fell. The water front and the parks were thronged with women and children seeking relief. Those who succumbed were taken to the hospitals, but no one minded them. Down before Santiago 16,000 men in dingy brown canvas blue trimmed uniforms in the blistering heat of a tropical climate were fighting against overwhelming odds. On the day before had come the news of a disastrous defeat, and the night had closed down in gloom. To-day the defeat had been turned into a victory and the cable had flashed home the details of a great naval victory besides. The great city sweltered and sweated and waited for confirmation and for the list of dead.

That afternoon business called me to the office. For an hour I worked and then fell to thinking of the great tragedy being enacted. Suddenly I became aware that someone was standing by my desk. "Ev'nen Journal, sir? List uv dead and wounded."

It was Mike, but I hardly recognized the voice. All the impudence, the old-time braggadocio was gone, and he had come in so quietly. "Why, Mike——" I began. Then I noticed the trace of tears furrowed through the dirt on the two grimy cheeks. There was an unwonted seriousness in the deep black eyes and an unmistakable quiver in the voice as he repeated, "Ev'nen Journal, sir? Extra, jes' out. 'Plete list uv dead an' wounded."

I snatched the paper eagerly and tossed Mike a nickel. "Never mind the change," I said, and plunged into the details of the fight. When I glanced up Mike was still there.

"If yer please, sir," he began, standing on one leg and uneasily rubbing it with the dirty brown foot of the other. "If yer please, sir, could I count yer reg'lar fer a poiper every night? Oi—Oi got ter s'port de fam'ly now 'cause Oi'm th' head uv it. He—he's dere, sir," he finished with a dry sob, pointing to the open page before me. Glancing down the column in heavy black, bold-faced type, I saw the name of Private Dennis A. Murphy on the roll of honor with the brief, explanatory line, "Shot through the head."

Mike drew a step nearer. "Say," he said, with just a touch of his old-time eagerness, "he's a hero now, ain't he?"

Mike has several regular customers in the office now, but he no longer blows in like a miniature hurricane. He comes and goes quickly but quietly. He is full of business, and although his former impudence now and then flashes out it is in a guarded way that will lose him no customers. He is always ready for a scrap when anyone intrudes upon his rights, but he has given up fighting for the fun of the thing, and he no longer pitches pennies and gambles away his hard-earned money. "Yer see, Oi'm de head uv de fam'ly now, an' have ter help me mither," he explains.

The other day he came into the office with the old-time rush. "They've got me father's body, an' it's ter be buried here," he cried. Then after a moment's thought he inquired wistfully, "Say, do yer s'pose de sogers'll march ter his grave an' put a flag an' flowers on it 'Morial day?"—Thornton N. Burgess, in Orange Judd Farmer.

Their Tents of Green.

Marching steadily, loyal and true,
Come the survivors clad in blue.

While the Old Flag floating overhead,
Greets the living, honors the dead.

Worthy of honor as king or queen,
Silent 'neath their tents of green.

With sleeping lilies dipp'd in dew,
Youth and beauty their graves shall strew

To memories grim, of bygone years,
We tribute pay—in falling tears.

There's many a grave we cannot place,
That hides an unforgotten face.

May orioles sing their sweetest lay,
O'er mounded earth of blue or gray.

For those that sleep 'neath the ocean's blue,
Our hearts are throbbing ever true.

Beyond the sunset's beautiful gate,
Are gleaming tents where angels wait,

To guide the swinging columns through
The golden streets beyond the blue.
—American Cultivator.

The British government makes no examination to determine the validity of a device for which a patent is asked, but takes it for granted that every invention is new and grants a patent to every applicant, leaving his claim, if contested, to be subsequently determined by the courts.

Lisley's "The Flood," which was sold by the artist in 1876 for $8, was recently sold in Paris for $8,600.

Nature begins fools, and women finish them.

ON THITHER COAST.

New Gold Fields on the Siberian Shore Will Be Opened to American Miners.

New gold fields rivaling in richness the deposits of Cape Nome will be opened to American miners, if the expectations of the members of the Russian expedition, which arrived in New York on the Campania, on its way to Northeastern Siberia, are fulfilled.

Vladimir Wonlarlarsky, a colonel of the Russian Imperial Guard, obtained the concession of the Siberian tract which the expedition is to examine. There were more than 40 applicants for the grant, which had been sought with eagerness since the discovery of gold on the American side of Behring sea. By means of court influence, Wonlarlarsky carried off the prize. He formed a company in Russia, which planned the present expedition, headed by A. Bogdanovitch, a Russian engineer. It is understood that a subsidary company has been formed in England in connection with the concession, but secrecy is maintained in regard to the English and American interests.

Miners who have visited the Siberian coast by stealth have reported that it is practically the same as the Nome coast, consisting of a strip of beach, behind which lies a tundra, or belt of gold-bearing sand. Many companies have been formed to work dredges and pumps off the coast of Cape Nome, in order to draw up the precious sand where it reaches the beach. It is expected that the operation of these appliances will be prevented by the beach miners, and that apparatus in which large capital has been invested will be idle, unless new fields are opened to it. If the expedition to Siberia finds what it expects, the company will invite pumps and dredges to cross to the Siberian shore and operate there upon payment of a royalty.

Hooley, the English promoter, has nothing to do with the plan. George D. Roberts, who is a veteran California miner, will be a member of the exploring party. Mr. Roberts has made a study of gold deposits in sea sands, and has a plan for extracting the gold from the frozen tundra. The expedition will sail from San Francisco about June 1, after the Russians have conferred with the Russian minister at Washington. It will return about November 1, and expects then to make a complete report of the possibilities of the region.

Mr. Roberts said today that, from information he had received, the deposit of gold on the Siberian coast promised to be the most valuable ever discovered. No attempt will be made to work the tundra this year, but the party hopes to be able to make some contracts with American owners of pumps and dredges.

Northwest Notes.

The Oregon Hopgrowers' Association last week sold 670 bales of hops.

A telephone exchange with 20 subscribers is to be established in Canyon City, Or.

The Umatilla Indians have invited the Nex Perces, of Idaho, to join them in a Fourth of July celebration that will last about a week.

The Shamokawa, Wash., creamery is now turning out 175 pounds of gilt edge butter daily. It finds a ready market in Portland at top-notch prices.

The new creamery located at Norway, Or., has commenced operations. The plant is complete in every respect and is in charge of a competent manager.

Camas Prairie, southeast from Heppner, Or., is a great dairy region, and 800 cows are being milked there. The creameries pay 62 to 82 cents per 100 pounds for milk.

The original townsite of Prairie City, Or., was 80 acres. A land company has just platted additions to the extent of 364 acres, providing liberally for depot grounds, repair shops, etc.

Asotin, Wash., will soon have a bank, arrangements having been made to establish such an enterprise there by E. J. and W. L. Thompson, recently of Wisconsin. The bank will be organized under the state banking laws and will begin with a paid in capital of $25,000.

The Anti-Saloon League, at Colfax, Wash., has a membership of about 80 persons, who are antagonistic to the saloon, and more especially to such as may violate the liquor selling laws. Active work is to be begun by the organization against the liquor traffic in the near future.

Grant county offered a reward of $450 for the recapture of Al Keeton, held for murder, and William Wallace, charged with horse stealing, and it was divided equally between William Byram and Ray Short, of Canyon City; Ed Luce and Hamp Officer, of John Day, and W. C. Gibbs, of Susanville.

G. W. Kiger has a contract from the government to furnish 2,000 tons of rock to be placed behind the spur dikes recently constructed in Tillamook bay. As it is seen that the dikes are doing the work for which they were intended, the rock is for the purpose of making them permanent. Mr. Kiger will receive $1 a ton for the rock.

Failing to get all the saw timber needed into the river last winter, because of lack of snow, William Codd, the Colfax sawmill owner, has determined to haul the necessary logs to water on wheels. An outfit of 10 or 12 big teams was sent into the woods on the upper Palouse river for this purpose. The necessary feed and supplies were taken from Colfax. This will be a rather costly method of floating sawlogs, but the lumber demand is good and it is found necessary in order to meet the calls.

A hardware man of Independence, Or., sold nine incubators and nine brooders recently, and the inference is drawn that chickens will be numerous in that market this year.

John S. Herrin, who owns one of the finest bands of sheep in the Rogue river valley, numbering 2,500 head of the French merino breed, is engaged in shearing, having a force of six men. He has introduced a sheep shearing machine, run by footpower, the three clippers being the first in this section. They take off more wool than the old shears and do a humane job.

BRADSTREET'S REPORT.

Wheat Higher on Unfavorable Crop Reports.

Bradstreet's says: Continued dullness in many branches and a further shading in several staple lines constitute the leading features in the business situation this week. The weakness of prices is displayed in lower quotations for corn, pork, butter, cheese, wool and cotton among the great agricultural products and petroleum and lead among the mineral products. Wheat is slightly higher, partly owing to less favorable crop reports here and abroad. Continued dryness in the Northwest has given the spring wheat situation a less satisfactory appearance and there is little improvement noted in the winter wheat sections of the central west. It is doubtful, however, if the dry weather has as yet really affected the spring wheat, the chief complaint coming from the lumber interests, which report low streams interfering with the forwarding of supplies.

The industrial situation is, on the whole, rather much better than for some time past, in that new disturbances are fewer and some old ones have been settled. But practical tie-ups in Chicago are still unbroken. At St. Louis all kinds of business have been hurt by the strike of street railway employes, and uncertainty at other cities, particularly in the building trade, has had an unsettling effect upon lumber.

Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 5,178,422 bushels, against 3,480,574 bushels last week.

Business failures in the United States for the past week number 155, as compared with 174 last week. Failures in the Dominion of Canada are slightly more numerous, numbering 24 for the past week, against 19 last week.

PACIFIC COAST TRADE.

Seattle Markets.

Onions, $9.
Lettuce, hot house, 40@45c doz.
Potatoes, $16@17; $17@18.
Beets, per sack, 50@60c.
Turnips, per sack, 40@60c.
Carrots, per sack, $1.
Parsnips, per sack, 50@75c.
Cauliflower, California 85@90c.
Strawberries—$2.25per case.
Celery—40@60c per doz.
Cabbage, native and California, $1.00@1.25 per 100 pounds.
Apples, $2.00@2.75; $3.00@3.50.
Prunes, 60c per box.
Butter—Creamery, 22c; Eastern 22c; dairy, 17@22c; ranch, 15@17c pound.
Eggs—18c.
Cheese—14@15c.
Poultry—14c; dressed, 14@15c; spring, $5.
Hay—Puget Sound timothy, $11.00@12.00; choice Eastern Washington timothy, $18.00@19.00
Corn—Whole, $23.00; cracked, $23; feed meal, $23.
Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, $20.
Flour—Patent, per barrel, $3.25; blended straights, $3.00; California, $3.25; buckwheat flour, $6.00; graham, per barrel, $3.00; whole wheat flour, $3.00; rye flour, $3.80@4.00.
Millstuffs—Bran, per ton, $13.00; shorts, per ton, $14.00.
Feed—Chopped feed, $19.00 per ton; middlings, per ton, $20; oil cake meal, per ton, $30.00.
Fresh Meats—Choice dressed beef steers, price 8c; cows, 7c; mutton 8c; pork, 8c; trimmed, 9c; veal, 8½@10c.
Hams—Large, 13c; small, 13¼; breakfast bacon, 12½c; dry salt sides, 8c.

Portland Market.

Wheat — Walla Walla, 51@52c; Valley, 52c; Bluestem, 54c per bushel.
Flour—Best grades, $3.00; graham, $2.50; superfine, $2.10 per barrel.
Oats—Choice white, 36c; choice gray, 33c per bushel.
Barley—Feed barley, $14@14.50; brewing, $16.00@16.50 per ton.
Millstuffs—Bran, $13 per ton; middlings, $19; shorts, $15; chop, $14 per ton.
Hay—Timothy, $9@11; clover, $7@7.50; Oregon wild hay, $6@7 per ton.
Butter—Fancy creamery, 30@35c; seconds, 45c; dairy, 25@30c; store, 22½@25c per dozen.
Eggs—13c per dozen.
Cheese—Oregon full cream, 13c; Young America, 14c; new cheese 10c per pound.
Poultry—Chickens, mixed, $4.00@4.50 per dozen; hens, $5.00; springs, $2.50@3.50; geese, $6.50@8.00 for old; $4.50@6.50; ducks, $6.00@7.00 per dozen; turkeys, live, 14@15c per pound.
Potatoes—40@65c per sack; sweets, 2@2¼c per pound.
Vegetables—Beets, $1; turnips, 75c; per sack; garlic, 7c per pound; cabbage, 1½c per pound; parsnips, 75; onions, 3c per pound; carrots, 50c.
Hops—2@8c per pound
Wool—Valley, 12@13c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 10@15c; mohair, 27@30c per pound.
Mutton—Gross, best sheep, wethers and ewes, 3¾c; dressed mutton, 7@7½c per pound; lambs, 5½c.
Hogs—Gross, choice heavy, $5.00; light and feeders, $4.50; dressed, $5.00@6.50 per 100 pounds.
Beef—Gross, top steers, $4.00@4.50; cows, $3.50@4.00; dressed beef, 6½@7¾c per pound.
Veal—Large, 6½@7½c; small, 8@8½c per pound.
Tallow—5@5½c; No. 2 and grease, 3½@4c per pound.

San Francisco Market.

Wool—Spring—Nevada, 14@16c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 12@16c; Valley, 20@22c; Northern, 10@12c.
Hops—1899 crop, 11@13c per pound.
Butter—Fancy creamery 17@17½c; do seconds, 16@16½c; fancy dairy, 16c; do seconds, 14@15c per pound.
Eggs—Store, 15c; fancy ranch, 17c.
Millstuffs — Middlings, $17.00@20.00; bran, $12.50@13.50.
Hay—Wheat $6.50@9.50; wheat and oat $6.00@9.00; best barley $5.00@7.00; alfalfa, $5.00@6.50 per ton; straw, 25@40c per bale.
Potatoes—Early Rose, 60@65c; Oregon Burbanks, 70c@$1.00; river Burbanks, 40@75c; Salinas Burbanks, 80c@1.10 per sack.
Citrus Fruit—Oranges, Valencia, $2.75@3.25; Mexican limes, $4.00@5.00; California lemons 75c@$1.50; do choice $1.75@2.00 per box.
Tropical Fruits—Bananas, $1.50@2.50 per bunch; pineapples, nominal; Persian dates, 5@6½c per pound.

To Be the Highest Bridge.

The Buffalo branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad, which will run through Bradford from Wilcox, Pa., across the ridges, by way of Lafayette, McKean county, will cross a deep and mountainous george in the latter vicinity with a steel viaduct nearly 500 feet high. The bridge, says the Philadelphia Ledger, will be over 3,000 feet in length, and its construction will be one of the greatest engineering feats on record. It will be the highest bridge in the world.

Curiosity Saves Life.

A package marked quinine was secretly sent to a bright woman, but being curious she took it to a druggist who said it was not quinine but arsenic. A like inquiry into some of the medicines offered will certainly detect the false from the true. For half a century Hostetter's Stomach Bitters has been curing indigestion, constipation, dyspepsia, liver and kidney troubles and has never once failed. Try it if you feel weak and tired.

Had a Sense of Humor.

A sense of humor is a great thing in helping a man over a hard place, and the Biddeford Record thinks one of that city's rumsellers must be possessed of the aid of this cheerfulness. It was just after the big seizure of liquors the other day that a man who didn't know of the raid stepped up to the dismantled bar and asked for a drink. The proprietor looked at the man for a second and then spreading his arms out on the bar, said, as pleasantly as he could under the circumstances: "I'm very sorry, but I have just let the last of my stock of beer go."

PARIS IN 1900.

For the benefit of those who intend visiting Paris during the exposition, the Rio Grande Western railway has gotten out an attractive folder illustrative and descriptive of the main features of the exposition. It contains some valuable hints for intending visitors and descriptive articles upon Place de La Concorde, Arc de Triumphe, the Madeleine, the Column of July, the Trocadero, Hotel de Ville, Column Vendome, the Louvre, the Grand opera house, the Bourse and the tomb of Napoleon, in addition to a bird's eye view of the exposition grounds. The folder, or pamphlet, is gotten out in handy form, and is written in a pleasant and attractive style. It, in fact, gives in little space everything one going to the exposition would like to know before starting on his journey.

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In the enterprising cities of Buenos Ayres automobile carriages are no uncommon sight, in the form both of private vehicles and of delivery wagons. Cycle roads now radiate from Buenos Ayres to distances of 60 and 70 miles in the surrounding country, and under the care of the Argentine Touring Club these roads are reserved for the use of bicycles and automobiles.—Youth's Companion.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—MRS. THOS. ROBBINS, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

Uncompromising.

Small Boy—Wanter buy a dog, mister?

Mr. Dignefide—Not that kind of a dog. Why, he looks as if he had fleas!

"He has got 'em, but yer got ter giv' dat dog credit fer wun t'ing."

"And what's that?"

"He don't like 'em."—Ohio State Journal.

Mothers will find Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup the best remedy to use for their children during the teething period.

The Acme of Bliss.

Cholly—My bwother is in luck. He's got a place as floor walkah in a dry goods store. He is there 16 hours a day.

Awther—I cawn't see the luck.

Cholly—You cawn't? Why, his pwants can nevah bag at the knees.—N. Y. Weekly.

Food for the Caribs.

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