Translated fiction is like pressed flow-

The Bultan has again promised to be good. It's a way the Sultan has.

The tle between Cuba and the United States is now seen to consist largely of red tape.

seek the man it becomes the duty of every intelligent citizen to assist in the novel search.

Yet it is scarcely possible that the crown prince of Germany will fly the royal coop for the sake of an American

By combining their interests the coldstorage firms of Boston intend, no doubt, to make an extra cool million in the course of time,

It seems that Washington has been expecting Turkey to keep her word without constant pushing. This is the climax of credulity.

California banks are going to pay a forger \$500 a month to be good. California may now look for an unprecedented crop of forgers. The Australian blacks do not allow a

married daughter's hut. Here's a bonbouche for the funny man. Mary Maclane says, "I was born to be alone." It is plain from this that

Mary plays upon the plano. When the office takes the trouble to

A Kentucky girl who has had 150 of fers of marriage has decided to remain single and devote her life to music. When she gets on the stage, however, she will probably cease to regard marriage as a thing to be much dreaded.

The immigration figures for the fiscal year 1902 are suggestive. The total was 648,743. That was 3 per cent more than in 1901, 45 per cent more than in 1900, 208 per cent more than in 1899 and 283 per cent more than in 1898.

A New Jersey inventor has produced a fuel which he calls "coalite," that can be sold for \$1 a ton. As its principal ingredient is coal dust, it may be that It will give the coal barons a new way to turn an honest penny instead of driving them out of business.

In spite of the fact that the typewriter has displaced the pen in many business offices, the demand for pens and pencils still continues. During the year covered by the census report, one gold pen, ten steel pens and fifteen lead-pencils were made in the United States for each family of five persons.

There ought not to be either political ustrial differences of the announced intention of the American Federation of Labor to support all legislation directed toward the abolition of child labor. Most States already protect their children. In bringing pressure to bear upon those States which do not, the federation is promoting the welfare of mankind, as well as furthering its own interests.

A report is made by the American consul at Liverpool upon municipal socialism in Great Britain. Among the enterprises managed by municipalities are Turkish baths owned by Leamington and Harrogate; a rabbit-warren, by Torquay; an oyster-fishery, by Colchester; a crematory, by Hull. Doncaster and Chester own race-courses, and in Doncaster the town itself manages the races. St. Helen's supplies sterilized milk. The report says that nearly a thousand municipalities in Great Britain own water-works; about a hundred own street rallways; many more own gas works. Speaking generally, the consul finds that municipal government in the kingdom is honest, intelligent and energetic, and, as a rule, political considerations have little to do with the engagement or retention of civic employes.

This is a story for boys. It is not exactly "a Sunday school story," but it has the right sort of good ring to it just the same. Frank Prevost, of Toledo, Ohio, drives a delivery wagon. He is a pleasant and accommodating lad and when an old gentleman asked If he could ride about the city with him, Frank readily assented. After an hour's drive the stranger asked Frank to go to a saloon and have a drink. The boy declined, saying he never drank. The old man asked if he chewed tobacco and upon receiving a reply in the negative offered the boy a cigar, which he also declined. That is the first chapter. The old man who rode with the delivery boy was that eccentric millionaire, Mr. Higginson, of San Francisco. Higginson, wherever he goes, is looking for boys like Frank Prevost. Before leaving Toledo the millionaire went to Frank and present ed him with \$2,100 in bank notes, which the boy will use to start in business for himself. The moral is plain. It pays to be pleasant and accommodating. even to strangers. It pays to have a good moral character. You may not be asked to give a millionaire in disguise a lift. And again, you may, for Higginson is always on his travels and always on the lookout for boys. But whether you meet Higginson or not, there are others on the lookout. Remember how Diogenes went about the streets of greenhouse plants and bulbous stock Athens looking for a man? Well, the are also rowr.

world is looking for a man. And the world usually finds the man it is looking for in a boy. You may not get \$2,100 all in a lump by being the right sort of a boy, but the world will be glad to give it to you sooner or later.

A story is told of a wise mother, who, when her small son announced his intention of running away from home because something had vexed him, met the announcement with calm acquiescence. She packed a small bundle for him to take away, suggested the next town as a good place to stay for the night, and added: "Of course, Harry, if you really want to go, you may; but you don't know how much I shall miss you." The youngster picked up his bundle, went slowly down the path to the front gate, opened it, then turned and ran for the house, where he flung his arms about his mother's neck and burst into tears. The treatment was not needed again. If that mother had met the boy's plan with tears, reproaches, anger, or punishment, the chances are that she would either have had a spoiled child on her hands, or awakened some morning a few years later to find that her son had really run away. The sense of freedom is a most valuable asset in dealing with Young America. The child who is continually thwarted in unimportant things gets in the habit of fighting for what he thinks are his rights, whether he is justified in the assumption or not. There are some children who are brought up on the principle that it is equally helnous to tell a lie, to come into the house without wiping one's mother-in-law within a mile of her feet, and to fall in a lesson. Such children are apt to develop a somewhat crooked moral perspective, which does not not always get straightened out in years to come. The boy who figures in the above story had read of runaways, and formed a not very definite idea of the freedom and peace which such a course entails. He had not thought about the other aspect of it at all. His mother brought him face to face with the realities and let him choose for himself, at the same time indicating clearly what she thought it was best for him to do. It did not take long for him to discover that she was wiser than he.

For months a laughing boy has been the bone of contention in a famous New York law suit. A husband and wife had parted. They viewed each other as strangers across a trial table in a court room. There was no doubt about their love for the boy. It was pure gold. It should have made a woman more tolerant, a man more forgiving. Happy married folks can't understand how the mothers and fathers of children can ever separate and learn to hate. In this case there was a great deal of money on one side. It meant fine clothing for baby, and nurses, rich food, carriage drives and costly toys. Some day it would mean a yacht, a valet, a private car-all of the things that can be had for money. On the other side-the mother's-there was much love and very little money. It was possible that her son would be compelled to work some day, and he would be denied all sorts o comforts and luxuries that go with great incomes. What a problem for the Judge! This Judge, whose name is Hickey, has some strange ideas. He thinks that when married folks are foolish enough to break up a relation that should mean peace and contentment, it is the business of the court to place the welfare of the children above every other condition. That doesn't mean money always. Listen to the modern Solomon: "The boy needs the personal attention and the loving care of his mother more than he needs the money of his father, if the father has the affection for the child he professes he will see that his boy is clothed and fed wherever he is." In other words, a mother is closer to her children than a father, and, for once, the law has recognized it. The idea of the superior claim of a father to his children has received an official setback. Where no question of morals is involved and when love and money are antagonists, Justice should throw her influence on the side of hearts as against gold. Because it is best for the

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