Every man pities himself more or less but few deserve half of it.

The death of Zola has served to remind the world that Dreyfus still lives.

A man suing for divorce calls his wife a cold-blooded proposition. Feet, probably.

fear of what may happen to a man who dies rich.

The lady who swallowed a bottle of furniture polish doubtless had that mahogany brown taste. Russell Sage has almost arrived at a

money isn't everything. The Yohe woman and the Strong man have been married at last, and

this is as good a time as any to forget them. A French physician says education breeds insanity. The theory will enable

people. A watched pot never bolls, and the chances are that those Venetian steeples whose collapse is anticipated will never

The Sultan of Cardamonseed was killed by the Americans. The Sultan of Sulu was murdered some time ago by George Ade.

Lieut. Peary says that the arctic region is the place for consumptives. Most people would prefer less lung and more comfort.

Pa Zimmerman has given the Manchester baby \$250,000. The duke will now be able to work up quite a little popularity with chorus girls for a year or two.

The defender of one of the St. Louis boodlers alluded to bribery as a "conventional crime." What is needed now is some good, conventional punishment

A New York man who died the other day left a collection of over 100 snuff boxes. So live, young man, that when you die the world will see you had a definite object and aim in life.

One of the curious inconsistencies of good people is their eager sympathy for the whitewashed villain of romance, and their unwillingness to believe of a living man that he is not so bad as he is painted.

It is said that one American magazine has received within one year 40,-000 unsolicited manuscripts, of which number only ninety were accepted. The young man or woman who has chosen literature as a profession has a hard road to travel.

A citizen has been cut open by the doctors to recover a set of false teeth which were afterward discovered in a mattress. It is to be suggested, therefore, that the next time baby swallows his rattle the skillful surgeons should cut open the mattress on the baby's

"You could not hit a barn door!" cried a little boy of eleven to an older lad who held a rifle in his hand. "Is that so?" retorted the other, as he fired a bullet through the child's lung. "It was all my fault!" gasped the little fellow before he died. Could the "dare" offered and accepted, the widespread lack of self-restraint, and the reckless use of firearms be more concisely epitomized?

The school children in Reggio nell' Emilia, Italy, are required to commit to memory ten precepts formulated by the new socialist city government. The first is, "Love thy schoolmates, for they will be thy coworkers for life," and the last is, "Let it be thy purpose In life to hasten the day when all men, as free citizens of a free State, live in peace and happiness in true brotherhood." These are excellent principles, and the socialists deserve credit for teaching them, although they did not originate and cannot monopolize them.

Among the tendencies of the times none is more gratifying than those that are gradually making rural life less objectionable to the best elements of our society. The tide of rural exodus to the city shows some signs of turning. Those who have been leaving the old farms have more and more disposition to turn back. The rush of rural communities cityward is being stayed and the country districts show more and more marked signs of being rescued from desertion. Certainly no more hopeful indication were possible. City life stands, on the whole, for mental, moral and physical deterioration.

Winston Churchill is probably the most distinguished contribution to the New Hampshire Legislature since the memorable accession of Charley Hoyt. Mr. Hoyt wielded a potent influence in legislation by freely distributing passes to the "Rag Baby" and the "Parlor Match," and Mr. Churchill is in the same enviable position as a dramatic author of power and standing. We shall watch the race to glory between Mr. Churchill and Mr. Tarkington with the liveliest interest. When a man has sounded all the depths and shoals of literature, and wearies of the cmpty honors of the arduous life, he naturally turns with longing to the calm, peaceful, scholarly existence of the State Legislature.

The bequest of a French millionaire follows to a certain extent a plan of Cecil Rhodes for educating Americans at Oxford. The sum of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars is set dents to study philosophy and religious sciences in German universities. There is also a fund for the support of a German university professor to lecture in Paris under the auspices of the College of France. In such instances 730 Pacific Ave. of liberal giving there is more than a recognition of the educational advantages in institutions of learning for Mr. Baer has not as yet expressed any foreigners who enroll themselves therein. The civic acquisition, sure to follow such a residence, is not the least result. To know other countries more thoroughly is, generally, to appreciate Dry Goods, Fancy Goods better the excellences of one's native land, and to realize more clearly the defects of administration, if such there point from which he is able to see that

John Charles Collins died the other day in New York. Never heard of him? That is because he was a brave 946 Pacific Ave. man who kept his sorrow locked in his own breast and refused to whine. You've seen the picture of a jolly boy. his arms full of snowballs, waiting for a victim to pass his way. John Charles Collins painted that. It was his best us to account for the sanity of some piece of work, and thousands of copies of it were printed. But he was an artlst-not a business man. God gives to few men genius and also the ability to make money. So John Charles Collins dropped out of sight and passed his last days painting campaign banners to gain a bare livelihood. His belongings told a story of poverty. There were pawn tickets by the score. At first he had parted with paintings, and then one by one his other valuables passed into the hands of the money lender. There were letters that told of a consumptive son who was sent to Colorado in the vain search for health, They were full of endearing expressions. This old man loved his son with all the force of his nature. Every letter was signed "Pop," and the artist had refused to let his boy know of his father's poverty or the cheerlessness of his life. It was plain that every dollar that could be spared, that could be raised by pinching and starvation, went to "Pop's" sick boy. That is about all. John Charles Collins is dead and John s one of life's little tragedies that holds humanity for a minute, brings a tear to the surface-and then we for-

A German peasant declared that his small earnings were divided into three parts, one of which went toward paying an old debt, another to support himself and wife; the third he put out as a loan. When surprise was expressed that he could do all this, he explained that the paying of the old debt came in the support of aged parents, and that he regarded the expense of rearing his children, who would some time look out for him, as money lent. In a some what different way the world at large is living in part on an inheritance of the past, and at the same time is laying by something for coming generations. The fresh grain fields of this new country are dispensing each year from the wealth that they have been Wines, Liquors and Cigars grandchildren will necessarily cultivate lands of considerably diminished fertil ity. In Europe the scramble for fertilizing substances has become keen, and as they are found in stored beds, in most cases, their use represents only a more indirect "wearing out of the earth." Mineral deposits, such as coal, olls and ores, in course of exhaustion, affords a still more striking example of what the past has bequeathed to us. Can we do anything to maintain a good balance in the treasure house of nature? This question is entirely practical. It enters into the work of several divisions of the Agricultural Department, notably the bureau of forestry. Inventors in the mechanic arts are also helping to suggest answers. Public improvements in parks and highways, in drainage works and irrigation systems, except those which are transmitted to posterity with huge debts, really constitute a gift from the present to the future. Nations should practice economy with their natural stores, just as individuals do in the use of a modest patrimony. It was only a wag who remarked that he cared nothing for posterity because it had never done anything for him.

Fish Flour. One of Norway's chief industries is represented by the fisheries, and quantitles of fish are sold at very low rates. particularly during summer. One way in which these are utilized is by means of an invention which quickly dries and pulverizes the flesh of fresh fish. The resulting product, called fish flour, is easy to transport from one place to another and has great nutritive value. A new and profitable branch of industry might be established in America, by utilizing fish in this way.

Doing the Best He Could. "Boy!" shouted the woman, with her head out of the window, "what ye

throwin' stones at?" "At yer cat," replied the boy. "And what are you throwin' at my

cat for?" "Because ye hain't got no dog to throw at."-Brooklyn Citizen.

Lunatics in the Army. A French writer states that of every 100,000 men of the army or naval profession 199 become hopeless lunatics. Among mechanics the number is only sixty-six per 100,000.

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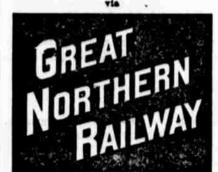
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