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"Neither," replied the railroad man, "always say 'five-forty-five.'"

He Had Enough. Enpeck was dining at the home of a friend.

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"No, thank you," replied Enpeck, "I had too much of that at home."

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She was devoted to her and was never of showing off her portraits and dresses, of which he had no fewer than fifty different kinds, and always called her as his "beautiful daughter-in-law."

Poiled. A regiment of soldiers was drawn up for church parade in the barracks here, but the church was being repaired and could only hold half of them.

Sergeant-major, "shouted the colonel, 'tell all the men who don't want to go to church to fall out on the reserve flank.'"

Of course a large number quickly and gladly availed themselves of the privilege.

Now, sergeant-major," said the colonel, "dismiss all the men who did fall out and march the others to church; they need it most."—London Standard.

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Too Early.

There is an interesting anecdote given in the Boston Herald of a Mr. Capen, an old resident of one of the seaport towns of Massachusetts. He is now employed as driver of the coach which conveys travelers from the trains to the hotel.

One Saturday evening in the latter part of September three men arrived on the afternoon train from Boston. Mr. Capen was sitting on the driver's seat of the coach, waiting to take them to their destination. They looked about the station, and evidently were not favorably impressed by the surroundings, for one man was heard to say:

"What a desolate country! We certainly have come to the jumping-off place this time. I don't believe we can even get a Sunday paper in this place, can we, driver?"

There was silence for a moment, and then Mr. Capen drawled out, "Wal, not to-night."

Warranted a Speedy Cure.

Dr. William Osler, in one of his Baltimore lectures, recited a quaint old cure for the gout—a cure, from a seventeenth century medical work, that was designed to show gout's hopelessness. "First pick," said this old cure, "a handkerchief from the pocket of a spinster who never wished to wed; second, wash the handkerchief in an honest miller's pond; third, dry it on the hedge of a person who never was covetous; fourth, send it to the shop of a physician who never killed a patient; fifth, mark it with a lawyer's ink who never cheated a client; and, sixth, apply it, hot, to the gout-tormented part. A speedy cure must follow."

Too Good to Lose.

The peculiar state of affairs has resulted from the recent orders that twenty Cincinnati policemen should bring down their weight. Each day the men wrestled, juggled Indian clubs, heavy dumbbells, fopped over horizontal bars and circled the track in the police gymnasium until their lips were blue. Then Chief Milliken had a report filed with him as to the weights of the officers. To his amazement several had increased in avoidance. The others had cut down their weight a very little. The chief will ask the mayor to allow the heavyweights to remain in their class.

Marriages on board ship are considered unlucky. If you can't be married on dry land remain unwed.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

Perhaps the most important event of the present season will be the engagement of Isidore Witmark and Frederic Rankin's comedy opera "The Chaperons," which will be seen at the Marquam Theater six nights and Wednesday and Saturday matinees, opening Monday night, Sept. 18th. "The Chaperons" has become what is known as a standard attraction, that is, the amusement going public of the country at large has come to look forward to the regular annual visit of this charming musical play as to a genuine pleasure. It is always new and up-to-date. Managers of theaters are also always glad to book "The Chaperons" because they are invariably sure of big business and that their patrons will be more than satisfied. The company this year is bigger, better and made up of more pretty young girls than ever before, and the scenery and costumes are entirely new. "The Chaperons" is the first of the big musical comedies to appear during the Lewis and Clark fair.

The Chas. A. Taylor company is just completing a successful engagement at The Empire this week.

This company has been a great and pleasing surprise to our theater goers.

Madelyn Marshall, With "Te Chaperons"

by the excellence of its performances, for although unheralded and almost unknown it has given us one of the best, if not the very best, renditions of melodrama ever seen in this city. They will be followed for the week starting Sunday, Sept. 17th, by a company in "Fabio Romain," and we are promised another intellectual treat. The Baker has been crowded at every performance this week of the "Kentucky Belles" burlesque company.

One of the principal reasons for the success of this excellent company lies in the jingling melodious music sung by rarely cultivated voices.

This cozy little theater seems to be regaining with a bound its old popularity and the management are to be congratulated on the success of their new venture.

Wheeler & Markell's merry-makers, who follow the "Kentucky Belles," are said to be a first class organization of singers and fun makers and will keep up and add to the reputation their predecessors have established.

They will start up on next Sunday, the 17th, inst, and will play all the week.

Conquest of the Great American Desert

The millions of acres of arid lands of the west already thrown open to the farmers by irrigation and the millions more to be thrown open, will, it is claimed by irrigation experts, open the way for the mightiest Anglo-Saxon settlement the world has ever known. It is estimated that about 50,000,000 acres of land in all, will be reclaimed by the government projects.

The work which the government is executing in constructing great stor-



IN THE COLORADO DESERT.

age and diversion dams and in building canals, laterals and headgates is the largest undertaking of the kind in the history of the United States. The reclamation act provides that funds from the sale of certain public lands shall be applied by the government to the building of irrigation works. At the present time the fund amounts to about \$28,000,000 and is increasing at the rate of \$4,000,000 annually. This fund is self-perpetuating. After the irrigation works have been



HEADGATE—CARSON RIVER CANAL, NEVADA.

constructed the sum expended in any work is to be returned to the government in ten equal annual installments by the settlers prorate. At the end of the first year after any one project has been completed one-tenth of the original amount expended on that work is to be returned and put into other projects.

Among the great projects of the government is the Shoshone project, Wyoming, which will irrigate 100,000 acres of public land; the Uncompahgre Valley project, Colorado, 100,000 acres; the Belle Fourche project, South Dakota, 85,000 acres; the Salt River project, Arizona, 200,000 acres; the Malheur project, Oregon, 90,000 acres; the Hondo river project, New Mexico, 10,000 acres; the Fort Buford project, Montana and North Dakota, 60,000 acres;



DROP ON THE IMPERIAL CANAL.

the North Platte project, Wyoming and Nebraska, 300,000 acres; the Minidoka project, Idaho, 130,000 acres; the Yuma project, Arizona and California, 500,000 acres and the Sacramento-Carson project, Nevada, 350,000 acres; the Klamath project, Oregon and California, 500,000 acres and the Sacramento valley project, California, 2,000,000 acres. Besides the projects enumerated which total is not less than 3,600,000 acres the engineers of the reclamation service are preparing surveys on a great many other projects which will be undertaken as rapidly as the fund expands and is returned to begin work.

The Yuma project on the Colorado river is of special interest at this time because it is located close to the Imperial valley country on the Colorado desert where is located the largest irrigation works, either public or private, in the United States. Within four years 100,000 acres have been put under actual irrigation in the Imperial valley through the diversion of waters from the Colorado river. Of this 100,000 acres, almost half is in barley, 10,000 acres is in alfalfa. On the American side of the Imperial valley there are some 50,000 head of cattle a large part of which is dairy stock, and there are 10,000 head more on the Mexican side.

The Yuma project contemplates the irrigation of land on both side of the Colorado river in California and Arizona. The government has planned for the ultimate extension of the canals of the Yuma project twenty miles or more from the Laguna dam ten miles above Yuma to the Imperial valley.

When this is done the most arid portion of America not excepting Death Valley will be all under irrigation and highly productive.

Although the government contemplates irrigation works for the benefit of homeseekers and endeavors so far as possible to undertake works with the view of bringing water to available government lands, yet in the event that individuals are willing to subdivide their lands and to sign a contract which will prevent land speculation and anticipating increased values through irrigation, irrigation works will be undertaken under the reclamation act where the land is in private ownership.

This is the case in the Salt River valley, Arizona, where a dam capable of impounding enough water to irrigate 200,000 acres of land will be constructed. The settlers in that section have gone ahead and accomplished marvels; the government is coming to their aid. In the Sacramento valley the land individually in large holdings, there being individual ranches of 100,000 acres in extent.

Thirteen on a Silver Quarter.

Superstition seems to be a part of the mental composition of everyone, and it commonly centers to a rooted antipathy to the number thirteen. This first of the teens has had to stand for many an action that was ridiculous, and yet there is hardly any persons who would sidestep an inch or mournfully rail at fate should he spy a silver quarter on the sidewalk. Have you ever taken the trouble to scan closely this small piece of silver? If you have not, you may be surprised to find on the eagle side that there are thirteen arrows in the bundle, which is clutched in the left claw, thirteen laurel leaves on the branch in the other claw, thirteen stars at his head, thirteen letters in the Latin inscription, "E pluribus Unum," thirteen let-

ters in the word "quarter dollar," thirteen stripes on the shield, and on the front of the silver piece thirteen stars surrounding the liberty head and thirteen leaves in liberty's crown. This array of thirteen is in commemoration of the original thirteen States which comprised the Union—New York Press.

When the Pope Dines.

Like Emile Loubet, Pope Pius X. has a desire for simplicity and informality that equally distinguishes him from his predecessor. It was only natural that the man who, as a Patriarch at Venice, was always at home alike to the humblest artisan as well as to the richest and grandest patron of the church, should retain his simple mode of life when raised to the papal chair. As befits one occupying such a position, his meals are always quiet and informal, never elaborate, and, unlike Leo, who always dined alone, Pius X. is never so happy as when he is surrounded by members of his household or high dignitaries of the church. He sits at a table, raised a little higher than that at which his guests sit, but this is the only trace of formality that is observed.

A Peril Nearer Home.

To Mr. Hippendyke, who had followed with absorbing interest the progress of the war between Japan and Russia, there was something sinister and terrible in the uniform success of the Japanese.

"I tell you, Flanders," he was saying to his neighbor on the other side of the backyard fence, "those fellows are going to make trouble for us all. The Japs have found out how strong they are, and they're teaching the Chinese. Some day there'll be a Chinese army of fifty million men, with Japanese officers. They'll take our possessions in Asia and they'll overrun the whole civilized world. That's the yellow peril we've got to face some time or other. You mark my words."

Just then Mrs. Hippendyke came to the kitchen door.

"Henry," she called out, in a high-keyed voice, "if you want to put a stop to the only yellow peril that's threatening you or me, you get after that yellow dog of Wilkinson's that's out in our front yard, digging up all my plants."

Not His Favorite Surgeon.

Gunner—You don't seem to have much faith in Dr. Lance as an appendicitis expert.

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The Judge—Then why isn't it visible at the present time?

The Hobo—Cause I went an' eat it.

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