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MAY VOLUME OF BUSINESS WILL EXCEED LAST YEAR'S

Advices From Commercial Centers Over Country Show General Revival in all Lines Due to Weather.

New York, May 6.—Special advices from important commercial centers to the International Mercantile Agency shows that better trade incident to more reasonable weather has been reflected this week in a revival of business which bids fair to exceed the usual May volume.

flux of exposition visitors to St. Louis his stimulated trade in that vicinity Tobacco is active at the south under the influence of boom prices from which the producer has thus far derived small benefit.

encountered a severe hailstorm near Welsh, La. All of the windows on one side of the train were shattered and the lattice work was splintered.

KAISER ON THE WATER WAGON

Berlin, May 5.—Colonel Von der Eske, who accompanied Emperor William on his Mediterranean trip, is quoted as saying that the emperor during the entire journey did not touch alcoholic stimulants, except a little wine when dining with King Alfonso at Vigo, Spain, and at the luncheon with the king on board the Spanish royal yacht on his departure from Vigo.

STARVES FOR TWENTY DAYS

Chicago, May 6.—Miss Reusse has been found unconscious in her residence, 403 Grand boulevard, and taken to a hospital, where it was found her weak and emaciated condition was the result of a fast lasting for more than 20 days.

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New York, May 6.—A telegraphic apparatus permitting direct communication between the Russian capital, Paris and London, will be tested next week, says a Times dispatch from Paris.

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MINISTERS MUST STUDY

Colored Preachers Must Be Educated if They Expect to Hold Their Jobs.

BISHOP HANDS OUT ADVICE

Says That Ignorant Minister Should Not Preach to Educated Pew, But Should Keep Ahead of Times.

Chicago, May 6.—Better education of negro ministers has been declared imperative by Bishop James A. Handy of Baltimore, addressing the African Methodist Episcopal conference, when he said: "An ignorant ministry cannot preach to an educated pew, and unless the ministers of today keep ahead of the army of colored boys who are swarming out of the schools, they will soon be out of their jobs."

Asleep in the Deep.

Some queer yarns are told about the men who wear the uniform of a sailor in the service of Uncle Sam. Probably the queerest is the one told of Gunner's Mate Johnson, a strapping big Swede at present serving out an enlistment on board a ship of war that frequently visits San Francisco.

Johnson, it appears, is a most convivial soul and fond of his grog. He is also a good sailor, but shines as a diver. A short time ago, while his ship was anchored near Mare Island it became necessary to send Johnson down into the depths to take off some of the growth from the hull. His first dive lasted about an hour. When he came up he told the executive officer it would take about a week to make the ship's bottom clean.

For five days Johnson kept this up and then the chief gunner grew a little bit suspicious. About 3 o'clock one afternoon he ordered a second diver's suit "broken out." This he donned and went overboard. He came up in about 10 minutes and so did Johnson. When the cumbersome suits were removed the gunner ordered Johnson "to the mast."

At this ship's tribunal Johnson faced the captain. What the skipper said to him could not be heard, but at the close of the interview Johnson meekly saluted and walked forward. The explanation came next day when the gunner confided to a fellow officer that Johnson, who had been given every night ashore, spent them roystering about, then came aboard ship, donned the helmet and suit and slipped over the side of the ship, ostensibly to clean the ship's bottom, but really to sleep. His shipmates were in on it of course.

The gunner's suspicions had been aroused when he noticed that the air bubbles that always appear on the surface directly over a diver did not vary a foot during all the time Johnson was down. When he investigated he found Johnson hanging like a huge barnacle to the side of the ship. His arms were dangling about in the water and his reclining position was maintained by the aid of his signal lines, one of which he had passed around his shoulders and the other about his feet.

His Only Desire.

The face that peeked out of the small wicket in the door of the cell reserved at the Central Emergency hospital for youngsters destined for the juvenile court was as black as the ace of spades. It was the face of a boy about 10 years of age. The whites of his eyes appeared to be the color of snow, so great was the contrast, and the great big even white teeth shone forth like a row of pearls on a piece of black cloth.

"Hullo, boss," he would say, with a merry laugh, to those who, in passing the wicked, would stoop and look at the "pickaninny." Such a cherry remark would naturally call forth an equally cheerful response, and then, the ice broken, the urchin would poke his black, shiny face up to the wicket. "Say, boss," he would then invariably say, "any chance to get a fellow some doughnuts?"

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