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WEASBER.

DUST THROWERS.
The American people have alway
nursed the genial assumption that nursed the gemial assumption that they in creation, and there has been more, o of the idea in a general sente. They keen, bright. reeeptive, original, and can stand more fool dust in the eyes, considering their normal alerness than
any other piople on the earth. The in dividual American, or the associated group with a definite basiness program.
is hard to over-reach, but the commumal host, the electorate, the "masses" as
they are called, are eternally wiping the dust of some rank humbuggery from
their eyes; clearing them for the their eyes; clearing them for the nex
batch of blinding imposture thet pends. It is a raw history, this amenity submission to the crooked, the deceptive the alluring fraud; this patient gulping The commeree of the shame and sham. the corporate phases of it, are abso. their inane disposition to be played. And it is time they were awakening to th is always at work. He never rests. He egislator, the trustee, the man of the choice and control, and his impalpable weapon is ever in the air, besetting the the people. There is a gradual, and now, and it may be hoped the bald claim to national smartness may find its real expression in the newly acquired
faculty of detecting the plausible bluff before, instead of after, its operation
the undoing of the people. The hundred millions of the late Alfred Beit, the African diamond king, will go
out into the Dark Continent in wonder-
fully effective clannels and do an incalcunble amount of good. The reading
of his will is an acute revelation of the real man Beit, and is a monument, itwho could derise so vart an amount to
such splendid purpose, must have been
inspired with something beyond the inspired with something beyond the handling of the tremendous propertie
from which he nequired his wealth; and the one great fact that he set such over-
veening store upon the value of educalin and provided for its dissemination
ust where it would do the utmost possible good, may be counted on to make
his name and charseter synnonyms for
the future benofation of placed. The world at large may con eplores the death of the miil it honestly

There's a splendid prospect ahend for
the man who has a timber lot. During Mo5. New England alone, used 6000433, team railroads of the Uniked State timber wion ties, and vast quantities ther industries, taper pulp mills lat the
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its ineritablal inevitable and justifiable result in the mercrial barriers mised against
portation into Gernany and countries.
perhaps,
ins haps, inspired in retrictions ar asiness circle. the broad ground of the American slaughter house, is ample
and dieate for its appliation and will be
considered the world over. The lesson convious!

WIFE WHO CAN WORK
$\qquad$ choverts Cleveland White, a Massachusetts boy of 18 has jited his sweet-
heart, 17 , and married her mother. Silly boy-eh: Maybe rot. Marriag
is not altogether a question of age
Tis yone This young man, though feckle in hs
affections, has an idea or two of his own not half bad.
"Although te years old, my wife," "Although t2 years old, my wife", hy he
says, "doesn"t look to be orer 25," Thi
is a point worth monsidering A womat is a point worth considering. A woman
we know. fs ne older than the looks
certainly she is no older than she looks certainly she is no older than she look
th her husband. So long as she if young
on in his eyes she is safely within th
inits
"the knows how to cook," says th young husband. coming to more prosaie
defense. "She knows how to wash, iron. defence. "She knows how to wash, iron, more than a majority of the young giris
of the present day know," Youth fades. Love very often cools in a little while and frequently even con-
geals in the divorce court. But ability to cook, wash and keep house abide
always; and the young always; and the young man who at 18
has secured to himself such a treasure as this need hare no concern for his future
A wife old enough to be his mother and not averse to hard work must be able to support him; and is not tha
infinitely better for a young man of 13
than a giddy young thing who a chan a giddy young aing who can
nothing but lore him through a bric honeymoon that dismally ends when the
larder runs empty. larder runs empty.
It would seem
White is a wise young man.

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 $000000000000000000^{\circ}$nnual appropriation made by Congres Oor the Agrienltural Department for five years, was only $85.424,180$, while there 5as appropriated for fortifications, 87. ors and harbors, 819,290.000; for the navy, $883,710,615$; army, 800.057,684; an or pensions, $\$ 141,131,848$. On the othe hand the various farm products of the United States last year aggregated the
stupendous sum of $\$ 0.415,000,000$, an each year brings an increase of more
than $8250,000,000$. Literally we feed and clothe the world, furnishing as we do more than 30 per cent of the meat, and
fully 80 per cent of the cotton of the It sometimes takes a good deal remodeling to make a successful farmer
out of a city man, for a good living is
not made so casily on the farm as some of our eity cousins imagine. The farm-
er must contend with problems of ar must contend with problems of sol
and seasons never juat alike. It costs
money to study, and it alko require money to study, and it alko requin
munh llabor with the hands to grow
profitable crop or a fine herd of cattle
TTie The successful farmer learns in the
selool of experienee, mostly, how to deal
with living, rrowing thing. And while
he is educating himself he pays dearly he is eduaating himself he pays dear A campaign of prayer by post car ic continue until January 11, 1911, a Sethodists, in ill Methodists, To ot the wor
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ther cards to send to their friends, an "ague" numbering $5,000,000$ is expected
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compelled to to adopt the ships may
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haustion of funds for the purchuse of fuel the failiure of congress to appro
riate a sifficent amount to buy a hat will be required during the year of coal by reason of the strike, have re
sulted in orders being department for the greatest eeonomy.
No cruise will be taken this year by

$C^{2}$the Muck Makers,
Not the Muck Rakers HERE are in this republic two distinct species of enemies to the national welfare-first, those who in the ignorance of and and DISPUPT AT THINS Hey do not under CONTROL; the other, they who do understand but defy the lawi of society, resist the authority of the government and treat with insolence the corrective power of the court

Yet we are advised that in the presence of public offense, amid the riot of publie raid, we should only walk with eyes to the sum, not with muck rakes of criticism in our hands. Yet what shall be done when this advice is followed, and we, with eyes only for the sky, with looks fastened only on the golden sun of day, shall find ourselves SURROUNDED WITH MUCK, stumbling over muck in order to prese on our way, our nostrils stenched with
the air we breathe defiled with muck

Where, then, shall we turn ! When the nation has become besot ted upon the reeking odors of financial rottenness and immoral muck, what then shall be our refuge? Is it not that we must rake up the muck and drag it to the heap pile FOR THE FLAMES to save our selves from consuming plague and national diseasel How can we walk with eyes to the sun if at our feet is the bog of muck we mus fall in and be smothered by ? This is the only way:
TO SAVE THE NATION
STOP THE MUCK MAKERS.
the muk makes.
Late events have disclosed that statutes cannot entrap the powerful villain. The law cannot frighten HM, Only exposure can awe him and its consequences, bringing the contempt of his fellow men, deter him.

Therefore, to the end that the constitution establishing in citizenship the freedom of speech unlimited and the freedom of the press fear of penalty be maintained, let there be CRITICISM with then we'll have a government where every citizen IS bRAVE AND EVERY OFFICIAL IS HONEST.

## Society at Large

And the Four Hundred

Iwhat is called "fashion"-the "top"-the Four Hundred Is it best seen in the "smart set," the plutocracy, whose members dash about in their splendid carriages and luxuriate in LACKEYS?
It is hardly to the fashionable, the Four Hundred, those on the "top," or any mixture of such, that we should look for moral regenera-
tion. How could it be expected to punish moral offenders whe ion. How could it be expected to punish moral offenders who upon
close inspection are seen to be in large measure the LEGITIMATE PRODUCT OF ITS OWN CONDITIONS?
Society, of course, at times is able to fly into a passion over some gross dereliction of a man who stood high in its midst, is guilty of something which perhaps might land a poor man in jail and which is of the "elect," who has been a leader in mome man or woman who whose sumptuous table society has been a constant and congenia guest-when this man or woman oversteps the line of convention and hrowing decency to the winds, contracts a relation whose rightfu society fies iname the

If a man is to be redeemed, then society, which is after all MAN MULTIPLIED and correlated, must be redeemed with him. The question primarily settles down into a personal one.
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