

## FLAGS FOR ACADEMY

Mrs. Roosevelt and Queen Alexandra Will Make Emblems.

## SOLDIERS SELL UNIFORMS

Raid on Pawnshops in Atlanta Results in Seizure of Number of Uniforms—Government Will Probably Prosecute Dealers.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Mrs. Roosevelt and Queen Alexandra will make silken flags of their respective countries and present them to the naval academy at Annapolis where they will be used for the draping of a small bust of Admiral Nelson, the hero of Trafalgar.

This bust was presented to the American naval school by King Edward. It is of solid copper procured from the guns of the Victory and stands about eleven inches high on a six inch base of oak from the wood work of the ship. The front of the base is polished, but the rest of it shows the screw holes and battle scars. On this base there is a lengthy inscription intended to cement the bonds of friendship between the two countries and between sailors of England and America, in which Presidents Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley are eulogized with Admiral Nelson.

Arrangements for the making of these two flags have been concluded by Rev. Edward B. Matthews, formerly a chaplain in the British navy. In an interview with Mrs. Roosevelt she promised Captain Matthews not only that she would provide the flag with her own hands but that she would go to Annapolis and present it to the midgets. Mrs. Bryce, wife of the British Ambassador, will do the same thing on behalf of the Queen. Mr. Roosevelt sent a personal message of greeting to King Edward. The Chaplain had with him a Victory medal which was presented to one of the boys of the President. Archie having been the victim of diphtheria his case appealed to the British chaplain and the medal fell to him.

For the past year the war department has been annoyed by the growing traffic in army uniforms and efforts are now being put forth to end this practice which is costing the government not only large sums of money, but is bringing the uniform into bad repute. After these uniforms are sold by the men it is impossible to trace them and and evil deeds committed by the wearers are naturally charged up against Uncle Sam's soldiers.

Last week advices were received from Atlanta that four pawnshops of that city had been raided by a military detachment under an army officer from Fort McPherson. A number of garments, including over-coats, which had been pawned by newly enlisted men, were seized and the military authorities in Atlanta, where the headquarters of the department of the Gulf are in communication with the department of justice with a view to the prosecution of these pawnshop owners. Dealers in such goods are liable to be heavily fined or dier he is not permitted by law to dispose of it in this way while he is in the service. It has been held that while in the service the government has a joint ownership in the clothing. In this way the government expects to be able to break up the business and the attempt will be made at Atlanta to make an example of the men who have accepted military clothing and issued loans upon it.

**What She Missed.**  
I was not married long before I discovered that my wife was blessed with the ordinary amount of woman's curiosity. One day while I was out she embraced the opportunity to pick the lock of my trunk. I do not know what she expected to find, but I think she must have been disappointed to discover that it was full of nothing but biscuits. When I came home in the evening she said, "George, what is the meaning of all those biscuits that I saw in your trunk today?"  
I replied: "Well, we're married now, so I may as well tell you the truth. When we were courting, whenever I told you a lie, which was sometimes necessary, I made a mental note of it. And when I went home I would throw a biscuit into my trunk—one biscuit per lie. If during the day or during the evening I told you half a dozen lies, I threw in half a dozen biscuits. So these biscuits simply represent the number of lies I have told you during our courtship."  
She said: "Well, my goodness! If I had only had your forethought and put aside a little bit of cheese for every one that I told you, we should have had enough biscuits and cheese to last us for life."—London Express.

## HAD LITTLE EFFECT

Withdrawal of Government Does not Effect Stock Market.

## RAILROAD BONDS YET SOUND

Order of Cortelyou That Treasury Should Not Accept Railroad Bonds Condemned By Bankers—Railroads Not Seeking Loans and Unaffected.

CHICAGO, March 27.—Secretary Cortelyou's action in rescinding his order against the acceptance by the Treasury of railroad bonds as security from banks, did not have a marked effect on the value of stocks according to opinions expressed by the railroad men and bankers yesterday. These stocks, according to their statements are sound as earning securities and so recognized both at home and abroad, despite any attitude of the treasury. "From my standpoint as an operating official I do not see that the attitude of the treasury will make any fundamental difference," said Daniel Willard, vice-president of the Burlington road.

"I do not think that Cortelyou's action has had any marked effect upon the inability of the railroads to secure loans as reported. The railroads have not been negotiating for large sums because they have not wished to. Under the conditions existing at present the outlook is uncertain and politics of economy have been generally adopted. Such general action tending to curtail earnings is being contemplated against the railroads that naturally lean to great undertakings are being entered into."

President Samuel Felton of the Chicago and Alton, also asserted that railroads are not considering the placing of large loans owing to the unsettled conditions. Railroads are not in the markets for large loans," he said. "The increase in wages, the regulating laws, and like matters have caused a policy of economy.

Bankers were inclined to think Cortelyou's action would have more effect than railroad men would admit.

"It is not a wise move," said David R. Morgan, of the National City Bank. "First-class bonds ought to be good enough for the government as they are good enough for everybody else. I do not know, however, that it makes a material difference. The lack of confidence from which seems to have sprung was not warranted. Stocks were too high, but there was no occasion for the bottom dropping out of them."

## A BALLET MASTER AT WORK

Striking Illustration of a Man Taking Himself Seriously.

As an illustration of a man and an "artist" taking himself seriously it would be difficult to find anything more striking than a ballet master at work. Since the rooms where the ballet rehearsals are held are usually kept particularly warm he goes in for negligence effect in his garments that is entirely out of keeping with the seriousness of his air.

Gravity is the dominating note of the ballet master's personality. The weight of many worlds seems to be resting on his erect figure as he stands in the center of the group of coryphees and obviously ponders over the steps he is about to instruct them in. Presently he begins to move, always in the same absorbed manner, through a series of steps and pirouettes, and then he apparently makes up his mind he has put together a movement that will be—must be—perfectly satisfactory to any audience.

When he begins the actual work of showing the "girls" what he wishes them to do, this gravity never drops from his bearing. Standing in the center of the group, he moves lightly through the figure he has set for them to follow, watching to see if they have caught the idea. His seriousness does not prevent him from being graceful nor interested, and if he sees that any one of the coryphees is a trifle slow in catching the steps of the dance he takes her hands and goes through the steps with her. To watch him train them in the proper manner of throwing a kias to some imaginary person is a revelation in the way of human grace.

The ballet girls themselves are not an uninteresting spectacle—that is, in the way they work at the rehearsal. The older ones seem to have a knack of keeping out of the range of the master's eyes and of being able thereby to loaf on him. They make some mechanical motions to keep the line going, but they do not exert themselves in any of the more intricate steps while his back is turned. It is the young girls who are keenly alive to what the master is trying to show them, and without the interest they exhibit one might well wonder how these rehearsals would ever progress at all.—New York Press.

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