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THE JOURNAL'S PLATFORM

A Trinity of Events Which Would Make of Portland the Mightiest City of the Pacific Coast.

First-Deepen the Columbia river bar. Second-Open the Columbia river to unimpeded navigation at and above The Dalles. Third-Dig an Isthmian canal.

WAR AT ANY MOMENT.

there is very little reason to doubt. That is has ment and discretion. not yet started but is likely to be declared at any ent seems equally reasonable. Until Japan has re- REPETITION OF THE KISHINEFF HORROR ceived and considered the last Russian note, the matter cannot possibly come to a head, however briskly prepara- OMORROW is a day toward which the Jews of the tions for the inevitable eventuality may in the meantime be hurried forward. It is not likely that that note, no matter how conciliatory the tone, will alter the status. lieve has been set for a repetition of the Kishineff mas-The policies of the two governments clash too vitally and sacre. According to their reports the domestic condition at too many points. In the oiliest of language the Rus- of Russia is in a state of seething turmoil and another sians are ready to concede the non-essentials in the controversy, while firmly, if diplomatically, holding to the Japan is wasting no time over the non-essentials, but it seems to be fixed firmly as a rock in demanding the essentials. What it repetition of the massacre. While it is understood that demands is absolutely necessary to its own peace this government might sever its diplomatic relations with and even its national integrity. It is these very things which Russia cannot or will not concede and Jews who are bringing pressure to bear upon the presiit is a realization of these facts that has caused both na- dent say that this would be much like locking the stable tions to hurry forward preparations for war while maintaining peaceful negotiations in the face of the world,

fruits of its Chinese victory were wrested from Japan. instead of confining them to their barracks as it did last The problem that now faces it was just as apparent then as now; then as now the outcome of the struggle involved Japan's national integrity. The event may have been it faces a responsibility which it hesitates to assume. It They sell coffee in this dairy lunch, and hastened by the rapidity with which Russia has since pushed its aggressive and heedless way through China, but sooner or later with the designs of Russia manifest to the world, Japan would have been forced to do one of dent open to another rebuff such as he received when the two things, either to wink at what was going on or to Russian government declined to accept the Kishineff pefight. The manly course was to fight, for even the very tition. The Russian government then told him in effect to worst could be no worse than what would follow from a mind his own business. Whatever step he now takes in course of indecision and cowardly inaction. That it proposed to fight is clearly evident from its course ever since the close of the Chinese-Japanese war. It has steadily if unobtrusively pushed forward its military and naval preparations and it has gathered itself together to resist the inevitable shock. Now on the eve of war it doubtless finds itself ready for business and as fully prepared to meet the emergency as skill, foresight and vast expenditures of money could make it.

A FELLOW FEELING.

ulated a mass of bulky volumes which seemed altogether is that Portland for the first time is permitted to get part vital to his existence. In signing a check to cover the of the business. It now lies with those interested here to amount of the cost this is the endorsement which he push it hereafter with a view of getting everything to placed upon it: "This check is in full payment, both legal which they are justly entitled. On the oats contract they and moral, for 60 volumes of books called for in the con- have practically an open field and in a free competition tract with the payee. The books are not worth a ----, for the best hay they can beat their southern competitors and are high at that. We are never too old to learn, but hands down. A good start has, therefore, been made in a the way your gentlemanly agent came it over your the right direction. 'Uncle Joseph' is worth the check."

usually they did not feel they could afford to take the land wants, in gaining that it gains everything.

First Invasion of Manchu Capital by

"Greatest On Earth" a Success.

riders. The peanuts and pink lemonade,

the sideshows, and 'tickets for the con-

cert immediately following the perfor-

the most critical of American small

"Professor Chatres' Indian circus." is

world into their confidence and thus proclaim themselves of the sucker variety. They have suffered in silence, being prone to believe that they had yielded through inherent weakness of character, a weakness which was not shared by men of experience who could not be deluded into believing what they were told by the oily book agent rather than to accept the evidence of their own senses as shown in the books themselves.

It is for this reason that all these and such as these will hug "Uncle Joe's" experience to their hearts, expletives and all, and feel in a measure compensated for their own experiences in the realization that the same streak of weakness permeates the book loving class the world over and that the statesman and history maker is just as likely to yield to the blandishments of the suave salesagent as the humblest denizen of the remotest hamlet HAT WAR is inevitable between Japan and Russia whose craving for the precious volumes outruns his judg-

world are looking forward with misgiving and trepidation, for it is the day which they firmly bemassacre may be winked at by the authorities.

Strong pressure has been brought to bear upon the American and British governments to make such representations to the Russian government as will prevent a Russia in the event of another massacre, the prominent after the horse has been stolen; that it is entirely within the power of the Russian government to prevent such Such an outcome was inevitable from the moment the massacres through the use of its military and police forces spring when the most frightful crimes were committed.

> The position of the administration is a delicate one and amounts to an interference in the domestic concerns of a put foreign nation, no matter how grave the calls of humanity, and, it is claimed by his advisers, would leave the presithis direction must be with the full consciousness of the probability of severance of diplomatic relations in the event that Russia gave the matter no heed, with the added chance that even this might be ineffective in preventing the massacre.

A SATISFACTORY RESULT.

HE JOURNAL'S San Francisco representative intimates that some queer work must have been done at Washington to have given California such a preponderance in the disposition of the Philippine hay HERE is a human streak in Speaker Cannon that and grain contracts. However this may have been, and it appeals to every man who has ever yielded to would be idle to accuse the Californians of overlooking the blandishments of a book-agent and accum- anything to their own advantage, the great point achieved

Once the Dix clears this port with its cargo, it will be Uncle Joseph' is worth the check."

Once the Dix clears this port with its cargo, it will be he has been in congress. That is Sen-an object lesson which can no longer be overlooked. The later Balley of Texas. To be sure, Senover the country wherever it is printed. It will find an stories so industriously disseminated about the depth of ator Bailey of Texas is worth the echo in many hearts and in every community. Many the water at the bar will then be so satisfactorily disposed other American citizens have been there; they have had of that this port can never again be insidiously attacked the same experience and they have felt the same way on these lines, which in the past has apparently been efabout it. Some of them, perhaps, have expressed their fectively done. Future competition will, therefore, be feelings with equal frankness and picturesqueness. But upon a more even basis. As that is precisely what Port-

TO SUPPRESS "TIPPING."

for her entertainment, but the project fell through. The conservatives and literati at court wanted none of such foreign innovations and the circus was not

Eliza R. Scidmore's Pekin letter in Chi-The empress dowager and the members of the court circle have had the time of their lives this year, when a real circus the ringmaster, and the dancing horse, the Manchu rulers are provoked to think sible the irritating question of gratuities came up from Shanghai and gave three what they have missed-what fun there or tips" they will be charged 10 per performances in the summer palace might have been long before this in the cent on the amount of their bills, and grounds for their exclusive enjoyment. was the real thing-a great, round purple palace grounds. The stories go that the empress dow-

tent, a sawdust circle, and rows of plank ager watched the tiger long and earnseats, with trained horses, baby eleestly, but would have nothing to do with | ties. phants, clowns, acrobats, and bareback lion; that the Russian ringmaster and horse trainer was asked if he could train the dowager's officials as well, and as soon as he had educated the little determined by a man's satisfaction with Szechuan pony; and that in rewards silmance in the ring," were all worthy of ver medals and rolls of silk were given round, and the professor of horses and itionable though it may be in some artists was paid some 20,000 taels.

of Hindoo origin, and reams the East. It came up from Shanghai, returns there With her keen enjoyment of so many and goes on to Hong Kong and Manila. oreign things and her real pleasure in It is the same conventional affair we ceting the foreign women, there ought all knew in our youth. To the august be profound regrets on the part of personage and the court it was a revelation, a most delightful novelcy, and three performances did not weary them. The nto their newer and more exciting life circus' came up by special train, and all managed by Commander Charles sened its doors and welcomed the for-Hsingling, the son of Yu Keng, who, as a general impressario, manager, and diekin after the foreign occupation of an extra tax upon travelers. rector of novelties and amusements at court, has greatly delighted the empress came back from Jehol to hide A formidable procession of carts and thelf behind palace walls and jealously distrikishas conveyed the properties exclude all foreigners, maintaining a through the city and out to the sumsistent attitude of contemptuous hosmer palace grounds, and it was a gala hity until it fled a second time to esday for all that part of Pekin. Despite

to foreign capture. the troops ranged all the way to pre-But it was a measurably enlightened serve order, the populace nearly mobbed ourt, or cortege of changed hearts that the elephants, for, although elephants clurned from Shansi less than were some years ago a part of every years ago. Had the awakening of China state procession, the common people gone on in 1860, there would have been were barred out and curtained off from no boxers, nor Russia in Manchuria, Germany in Shantung, Japan in Formosa, The tent was set up at the far south Tongking, Annam and end of the great lake in the palace 'amuodia. For all these losses they can grounds, and the empress downger and thank themselves, their hostlilty to forher suite came across the water in the yellow curtained yacht when the first cigners, and opposition to enlightenment.

NOT SATISFIED WITH THE GIFTS.

From the New York World. clowns, and was pleased with the timely word may be said, and the time trained dogs and horses. She used gold to say it is before this example grows ful nonchalance, and was much taken gifts bestowed upon him by his uncle Henry, and perhaps by others, that no frequently cesses and ladies in waiting, the pistol. Therefore, moved by chagrin cunuchs in splendid uniforms, and the and wounded affections, he shot his great audience of palace attendants and uncle Henry, his aunt Reba and his evants had never such a seasion of cousin Libbie. If they live they will understand him better next Christmas; no family can afford to neglect criticism

once proposed to bring a circus to Pekin From London Truth A bold attempt to suppress the "tipping of hotel servants has been made by the proprietor of a well-known French itors to that hotel are now informed that "in order to palliate as far as posthat this amount will be handed over in full to the staff and be considered as taking the place of the former gratul-

We shall all be interested to hear how it works. The amount of a tip is largely after; and the tipping system, objecspects, tends for this reason to keep the servants up to the mark. But if they can rely upon getting the same amount from everybody, and getting it whether they exert themselves to please or not the quality of the service is likely to empress downger that she did not suffer in consequence. So many men avail herself of these pleasures, enter like to reward hotel servants that it is pretty certain tips would still be given 40 years ago. The court might have even if the Lyons 10 per cent became a general institutions In that case the envoys when they first came to only effect of it would be to impose a special charge to cover servants' gratevents and occupation of 1900. The uities really resolves itself into little more than an addition to the charge already generally made.

This is avowedly only an experiment

NEW YORKERS IN WASHINGTON.

From a Washington Letter. For the sake of a congenial atmos-phere many prominent New York women ore moving to Washington for the sea son. A New York literary set is being formed with Mrs. Burton Harrison and Mrs. Van Renssalaer Cruger as back bones. The Duer girls will visit Mrs. Cruger. There is Mrs. Nicholas Fig., the widow, who hates New York since her husband's tragic death, and she has taken a house in Washington. While not precisely a literary woman, Mrs. is extremely musical, and in a small way will do some entertaining Mrs. Cruger is the magnet that has Against following the hasty example drawn Mrs. Fish to the capital. There who were the Humpty Dumpty clothes of William Kaufman of Chicago, a are many persons in Washington who make it a point to get. New Yorkers there in the winter, and several recent opera glasses to watch the trapeze per- into an established practice. Kaufman dinners might have been on Fifth ave manees, smoked cigarettes with grace- was so dissatisfied with the Christmas nue, so distinct was the New York colo to the feast. Benator and Mrs. Kear The third performance did not pall objection seemed to him equal to the oc- them, and then the Roosevelt influence upon her, and the gorgeously dressed casion except that to be made with a must be reckoned in tracing this New York invasion.

The Editor's Lean Larder From the Bells (Texas) News The weather men are giving us fine hogkilling weather, but, like most edlitors, we have no hogs to kill.

The Public Schools Are the Foundations of Progress

of the state," he was guilty of no exaggeration. It is true beyond qualification that the progress of our nation must look to the greater development of depends upon the efficiency of our public school system. Modern life has tion cannot turn a blockhead into a ing. The king has devoted himself to grown complex. The old days when genius, it can give to each one the the fortification of international peace. father and mother were sufficient as teachers, and their work could at most be rounded out by a few months' schooling or by apprenticing a child to a master workman—these are gone forever, with the simpler life that was then sufficient for the wants of men. The machinery of civilization has grown so vast that it cannot be carried on by transmission of knowledge from father to son, from mother to daughter, To teach the new generation what the old generation has learned and discovered and invented requires the labor of thouspecialty.

complexity is growing. Civilization daily becomes more diverse in its parts. More and more work, therefore, must be thrown on the schools.

It is thus that he world advances. not well that the boy should be bound down to the work that his father has done. A man does best that which he likes to do best. And the greatest sum of production will be secured if each person has the opportunity to choose that part in the world's work which he is best fitted to perform and to learn the ways of performing it.

Thus it must come about that the schools will take a larger part in the training of youth than they take now; and the progress of our civilization will depend on the skill their teachers show in training youth to take up and perform the world's work. Ignorance and inefficiency are the

stunts the mind and withers the con- lies before them.

HEARST AT CLOSE HAND.

Looks at Congress Like Boy With New

Toy, But Keeps Posted.

Post-Dispatch.

broad brimmed and high in the crown

country towns. It is good coffee. Then

they have doughnuts and Maryland bis-

cuits and egg sandwiches and other food

out in heavy white mugs that

An overcoat and slouch hat came diffi-

At least, he appears to believe in it, and that is all that is necessary. Shrewd observers from all parts of the country say he will have some delegates when the convention assembles. Nobody ven-Washington Correspondent St. Louis tures to say how many. All hide under the indefinite "some." It is certain that he will have worked hard for all he gets. dently into a little all-night dairy lunch The men who are running his campaign coom on Fourteenth street, just off Pennare enthusiastic. They say there is nothsylvania avenue. It was half an hour ing but Hearst on the horizon. They past midnight. The coat was long and are paid for that. Other Democrats are cut with a waist, and the slouch hat was conservative, but no Democrat or no Republican, for that matter, will hazard the opinion that there will not be some result. He looks at congress with look like the shaving cups that stand in the racks in the tarber shops in the

of a similar kind, each unit retailing for cents, except the eggs. The overcoat and the slouch hat sank into the chair nearest the door. Then the hat was tipped back from a smoothshaven, red-cheeked face, the overcoat was pulled open, and there stood William Randolph Hearst, who wants to be the Democratic candidate for president.

Mr. Hearst took some ham and eggs some coffee. Then he went acros the street to the new Willard hotel and

That was the first public appearance of the slouch list. It is black, with an undulating rim and a high crown, care lessly dented in the middle, a states man's hat, not gaudy nor dictated by fashion, but a good, old-fashioned hat that goes with a black string tie, a of shirt bossom and a shiny sleeved frock coat. Since then it has hung on its owner's peg in the Democloak room in the house of representatives. Already it has come to be a Hearst landmark.

Mr. Hearst has been active in congress since the extraordinary session began of November 9. He has been reasonably punctilious in his attendance-not fanatically regular, but reasonably so. He has seat in the middle of the Democratic

He has developed one enthusiam sinc thuslasm of any man. Easily one of the strongest men on the Democratic side of the senate, he will be a Goliah among Democrats if he lives and grows himself by leans and bounds in his debate on the Cuban reciprocity measure.

Mr. Hearst dropped into the senate press gallery on the day Bailey made his first speech. He went in and sat down to listen for a moment. He stayed four hours, entranced, and that night he sent to his newspapers the full 24,000 words of Bailey's address, to the consternation of the editors. Next Hearst came over to the senate and took a seat on the floor, as he can doby right of his membership in the house, and listened while the Texan fenced with the astute Spooner of Wisconsin. He never moved during that brilliant debate, but watched the graceful Bailey as he thrust and parried. There wa nobody else in the room for him. And next morning Bailey had several columns and his picture in the Hearst pa-

Thus far Hearst has formed no new friendships that look to be more than the usual, "Hello, old mah," sort. He is somewhat solitary by preference, evidently. Still there are professional genials in that body of 386 statesmen who have marked him for their own, and he cannot escape.

Speaker Cannon put him on the com-mittee on labor. The sardonic "Uscle Joe" was coaxed and cajoled to bring this result about. John Sharp Williams pleaded with tears in his voice, if not in his eyes, for recognition for him. Cannot relented. He is not impressed with statesmen from New York. The kind from Illinois, Iowa and Ohio appeal to him. He listened to the claims of the New Yorkers, and then he played grim jokes with most of them, in fact, all who came from New York City. But he did well with Hearst, being a seamed and shrewd old politician who knows the He put him on labor, a good committee-not obnoxiously or offensively good, but good. There are five Demo-crats on it. and Hearst is number four. which is pretty fair for a new man Hearst may or may not know it, but he has been selected by many lean and cadaverous statesmen as their Christmas tree. They look upon him as their legit-

imate producer. Their argument befits their simple, albeit somewhat grasping ing successful." minds. "Here is a man," they say, "a rich man, who is a candidate for dent, and we shall shake him down.'
They have begun to work already. They have schemes. They have plans for this and that. They are talking to him in confidential whispers. "If you will put so much in such and such a place," they the results will equal your wildest expectations."

Hearst listens. He has had a varied with the men who want experience money. He knows about them and their wiles. He is ready to pay, too; but there is none of the reckless spendthrift about him. Any man who gets anything from Hearst in these days must lay down the equivalent therefor. There is none of the free - and - easy, the - key - is-in-the-river way about him. Hearst believes in his candidacy for

When Governor Pardee told the Cali-fornia Teachers' association that "Upon be capable of doing, or keeps them from our public schools depends the future doing well the work that they have to do in order to live. The remedy lies in education And for education we

capable. To have good schools there must be a well trained staff of zealous teachers

filled with a progressive spirit, keeping in touch with the mental, spiritual and physical needs of the nation. physical needs of the nation. To get such a staff the profession of teaching must be made as attractive as the other professions. It must offer well paid and permanent positions to men and women of zeal and merit. Naturally it are given men at the head of the pro-fessions of law or medicine, or such as are within the reach of the leaders of commerce. But the great prizes must of their nature come to but few, whatever the line in which they are offered It is needed only that the profession of teaching should offer as good rewards as can be acquired by the average suc-cessful man in law or medicine or business. When that is done there will be an end of the complaints that the number of men teachers is diminishing, and that the education of youth is more and more falling into the hands of young unmarried women.

The substantial unanimity with which the people of San Francisco voted over \$3,500,000 for school houses shows that they understand the importance of the schools. And we trust that such organizations as the California Teachers' association will assist the teaching body in realizing the greatness of their profession, and in inspiring them to a conchief enemies of progress. Ignorance ception of the still greater work that

frank curiosity of a boy with a new toy. He is interested in what is going on. So far as can be seen, he is not bored yet, which is remarkable.

He has said nothing in the house save an "aye" or a "nay" on a roll call or If he should make as peech everybody would be surprised, but he is not lacking in the faculty of making friends with his colleagues, and it is quite likely that, if he has some private pension bills to pass, he can get them through. Hearst has a runabout automobile in which he scoots around the streets, huddled on the seat, gazing fixedly ahead. His amusement consists in going into office of his newspapers here and "making up" the paper by wire. He is in constant touch with his editors in New York, Chicago and San Francisco, Nothing happens that he does not know about. He does not mingle much with the other people at the hotel where he lives, but when he meets a man he is cordial and unrestrained. It will not be long until the "statesmen" are in full cry at his heels. They are looking him over now and wondering how much he will stand. As soon as the session gets in full swing the tapping process will be-Then there will be loud cries and many lamentations. The statesmen will gather and confide in each other that for Hon, William Randolph Hearst is no Coal Oil Johnny. He has money, and he will spend it, but he buys no pigs in bags.

He has a certain definite object in law. The coming to congress is a part of the game as he is playing it. He may or may not succeed, but, whether he not, there will be no spendthrift regrets after it is all over. Mr. Hearst knows exactly what he is

doing and where he is at. READY TO SANDBAG ROOSEVELT. The Hanna Cabal and Some of Those

Who Compose It. The "Hanna cabal," says the Washington correspondent of the New York Press, is still secretly plotting against Roosevelt, but the latter's friends are on the alert and purpose to 'kill it the very first time it shows its

head. "Hanna's determination not to achim retain the chairmanship of national committee has been followed by a report that Senator Nathan B. Scott of West Virginia declines to serve in the next campaign as chairman of the sun. the national executive committee,

"With Hanna, Payne, Scott and Perry coming campaign, friends of the president profess to see a prospect of indifferent work on the part of the interests which these men represent in the success of President Roosevelt's candidacy if they find themselves unable to prevent his nomination.

"From Indiana, as from Ohio, come further reports of opposition under the surface engineered by certain Republicans not in agreement with the president, and to many Republicans indications point to 'something doing.'

"Ohio has been canvassed by president's friends, and they give Hanna only eight sure districts the 21 in the event of an open Hanna-Roosevelt break. "It is known that in Indiana a cer-

tain element, represented by political adherents of Schator Fairbanks, includ ing former Solicitor Wishard, are walt ing for a word from the Hanna camp to organize a Hanna movement in the Hoosier state. "New York, too, presents an interest-

ing situation to the president's friends Senator Platt's evasive replies when he belongs to the minority. He might have is asked if the New York delegation gone on the disposition of waste paper. will be instructed for the president lead some to suspect that Platt, too, may be in the Hanna pact to prevent the president's nomination if circumstances at the time of the convention should point to a possibility of such a movement be

The Greatest Lesson Ignored. Herbert Spencer.

Sad, indeed, is it to see how men oc-cupy themselves with trivialities and are indifferent to the grandest phenomena care not to understand the architecture of the heavens, but are deeply interested sent over 1,000,000 souls to other in some contemptible controversy about the intrigues of Mary Queen of Scots!are learnedly critical over a Greek ode and pass by without a glance at that grand epic written by the finger of God upon the strata of the earth.

He Won't Be. From the Washington Post. The sultan need not be surprised if the Democratic nomination for president, sul is mobbed.

Striking Events of the Past Year in England

science. Inefficiency prevents men and London Correspondence of the Chicago to federate the empire and declared that

Joseph Chamberlain-have largely dominated British affairs during the last year. The work of both has been Vienna, where he was magnificently re-ceived and made a deep impression upon both the governments and the peoples. The principal result is practically a second triple alliance embracing Great Britain, France and Italy and enjoying the sympathy of democratic nations

When the United States squadron was at Portsmouth King Edward gave a dinner at Buckingham palace in honor of the chief officers, and subsequently he sent the Prince of Wales to visit the Americans at Portsmouth, where his royal highness was entertained on the battleship Kearsarge. sent friendly messages to America dur-ing the year and has further shown his good will by having the Prince of Wales made chairman of the royal commis-sion at the St. Louis exposition.

Ireland in July and August. He traveled from one end of the country to the other, visiting great cities, the farms, the factories and the homes of the poorest people in town and country. His reception was marked by many dramatic' and touching incidents and he left behind him a state of feeling most favorable to the growth of friendlier Anglo-Irish relations

In 1903 the king brought great influence to bear in the direction of army reform. He believes that peace can be maintained and the cause of arbitration promoted only by England augmenting her military strength and increasing her navy so as to be able to cope with almost any conceivable combination European powers. His majesty, like the rank and file of his subjects, was astounded at the revelations of muddle and incompetence connected with the Boer war and he did not rest until he secured the appointment of a strong committee of experts to build a brandnew war-office machine and to devise an organic relationship between the

Joseph Chamberlain began the year as the unifier of South Africa and apostle of a clean-cut imperialism. made a tour of the war-stricken districts of the sub-continent and addressed large meetings of Britons and Boers. He dealt with the situation vigorously, boldly and with much success. Many serious problems remain to be solved in South Africa, but the embryo of a representative government has established and there is reason to hope that the difficulties in the way of res construction will be surmounted.

army and navy.

Mr. Chamberlain came back to England a great hero. He was received with high honors and much enthusiasm. He made a speech in the city in which zine and other Americans have their he set forth with inspiring elequence the ideal of a political federation em bracing the British race. At that time the unionist government was in peril of destruction. It was universally regarded as vacillating and incompetent. Stead brings out in a few days the Mr. Chamberlain saw that something heroic must be done and on the night of May 15 he made a sensational speech at Birmingham, in which he declared role being played by Charles T. Yerkes, for a repudiation of free trade, the The London county council, in addition years. He said free trade must go or ous sections of the metropolis, is plan-the British empire would break up. He ning a fine service of passenger proposed a system of preferential tariffs steamers for the Thames.

News.

Two men—King Edward VII and dation of a compact political union.

The speech swept over the country like a cyclone. In spite of all the Liberals could do the old questions the public schools. For, while educa- initiatory, constructive and epoch-mak- blunders in the war and its uppopular

cannot turn a blockhead into a ing. The king has devoted himself to acts with reference to education—acts us, it can give to each one the the fortification of international peace, that were represented as forcing upon greatest development of which he is He visited Lisbon, Rome, Paris and the country sectarian schools—were for gotten. The Liberals declared that the minister's sins should not be blotted out, but they were, and the government was country is seriously talking or thinking about and there are many indications

'Fiscal reform is the only thing the Chamberlain's protectionist proposals are going to win. He is a good judge of popular opinion and professes to be convinced that if his program were submitted to the country dorsed it will bring about revolutionary changes, ont only in the British empire, but throughout the domain of

Perhaps the ablest member of the existing government—the government that came into life when Mr. Chamber-One of the king's greatest acts of lain's fiscal proposals caused his own peace-making was that of his tour of resignation and drove the free trade element out of the cabinet-is George Wyndham, chief secretary for Ireland. The Irish land act of 1903 is the testimonial of his ability and the foundation of his fame. It is a stupendous measure of reform-the most important of which Ireland has had experience since the act of union in 1891 shut up the doors of the parliament in Dublin. purpose is to tear down the oppressive system of landlordism in the emerald isle and to build in its place a structure of tenant ownership under which the country can prosper and be content. This land act is a tribute not only to Mr. Wyndham, but to the Irish party, whose fight to secure its passage in a form satisfactory to Ireland makes a bright page in the history of Irish achievements in the mons.

> Lord Lansdowne is about the only other man in the government who has been engaged in large work during the year. He has gone about his duties quietly but carnestly and untiringly. His department is that of foreign affairs and his efforts have been directed chiefly to combating the expansions and threatened expansion of Russia.

> Great Britain is the poorer for the loss of two giants in 1963-Lord Salisbury, the greatest statesman, and Herbert Spencer, the greatest thinker, who saw the Victorian era out. The year in science has sounded the name of Marconi, in literature that of John Morley and his "Lifes of Gladstone." Social problems receive little attention in the fiscal and educational hurlyburly.

> American capital continues to pour into London in almost every line. Albert Pulitzer, brother of Joseph, is about to start a 6-penny weekly magaeyes upon the publishing business here. An epidemic of fresh journalistic and magazine enterprise prevails. Alfred C. Harmsworth has just started the Dally Mirror, a journal for women, and W. T. Daily Paper, a publication for the home.

The improvement of transit throughout London proceeds apace, the chief ed English fiscal policy of 60 to starting electric tram lines in vari-

THANKS ARE DUE THE PARMERS.

From the Chicago Tribune. The farm value of the crops of corn, wheat, rye, oats, hay, barley, potatoes this year is estimated at \$2,500,000,000 by the bureau of statistics of the department of agriculture. To that great sum may properly be added about \$700,-000,000 for the value of the cotton crop. This is an amazing aggregation gigantic pile of commodities which are sufficient to support a wife. needed abroad as well as at home. If America is still in debt to Europe, the tion to me in many ways. He takes my means with which to pay the debt are at dog out walking every evening and

The mills and factories are not so busy as they were a year ago. The re-gret which that occasions is tempered increase of his salary the first of the gret which that occasions is tempered by the reflection that the farmers have been active to such excellent purpose. a house left him by his uncle, so I am The United States is fortunate in that in a quandary just how to treat this in has more than one string to its bow. most important matter. What would have managed to secure diversity of you advise me? WORRIED. industries. It is not dependent on agricede to the president's desire to have culture alone, as it was a century ago. It does not have to rely on manufac tures alone for prospericy, as Great 1f he loves you he will work hard. Be Britain does. It is more nearly self- very sure of his love before you marry sufficing than any other country under the sun. When the resources of its tropical possessions are fully developed will be in a still better position to Heath out of the management of the dictate commercial terms to nations keeping steady company with a young which must have some of its surplus

One would like to know about how much it cost to raise the farm products of this year. The manufacturer can and I cannot understand why we are alfigure out his profits closely. He has ways quarreling. He tells me that he te, so he may know where he stands. loves me and I love him very dearly, the manufacturer in this respect, or if agree with each other. Now, they say he does his balance sheet is not made that "true love never runs smooth," but money than the banks can find employment for at home, the agricultural producers have been richly repaid for their labor and expenditures in 1903. have done extremely well for themselves and for the country.

ITALY'S ARMY OF EMIGRANTS. Rome Letter to Pall Mall Gazette.

perfectly astonished at the statistics of emigration. In 1869 what was considered the immense number of 119,000 men left their native country, the emigrants oscillating between that and 135,000 up to 1881, until in 1887 those numbers were 215,000, rising to 290,000 the very were 215,000, rising to 290,000 the very if it keeps on; do try and conquer it next year. Arrived at this figure, it Do not potice his going with other girls seemed as though the maximum must have been reached and that the numbers would decline, but instead in 1891 there was another rise to 293,000, maintained for three consecutive seasons, the takes two to make a quarrel. If you century closing with the enormous number of 352,000 emigrants; but even that was not the consummation, as in ship, 1901 they were 533,000. Thus in the first two years of this century Italy tries to enlarge there the already numerous Italian colonies.

Reflections of a Bachelor. From the New York Press.

if only it didn't hurt so much to brush the hair they haven't got.
The thing that makes a man want to The sultan need not be surprised if the hair they haven't got.

We discover a "constructive" necessity of taking Constantinople for a coaling station the next time an American con-

Advice to the Lovelorn BY BEATRICE FAIRFAX.

My Dear Miss Fairfax: I am a young lady 25 years of age and am in love with a man four years my junior. He boards in the same house as myself. My father does not sanction the attention given me by this gentleman, for the reason of "quick assets," which can be turned into his only earning seven (\$7) dollars per money whenever it is needed. It is a week, which my father does not think

This young man has proven his devohand, thanks to a generous soil and to never flirts when in my society. I feel unwearied cultivators. other; and, although his future is not of year. He also expects Seven dollars is certainly a small

salary on which to marry. Why not wait until he has an increase of salary. a man four years your junior. My Dear Miss Fairfax: I am a young-

girl 18 years of age and have been man one year my senior. Now it that every time we go out together we always have a quarrel and all over noth-ing at all. I think very much of him The average farmer does not imitate but the only trouble is that we cannot public. If one can judge from the pros- I certainly do not see any love in alpublic. If one can judge the agricultural disperity prevailing in the agricultural disperity of the ways quarreling, do you? Lately I tricks of the West, where the farmers of the girls, but when I speak to him are depositing in local banks more other girls, but when I speak to him about it he says I ought to know better, and that I am the only girl he cares about. If I tell him that he ought not to go around with any girl while he is going with me he gets real angry and fells me not to listen to any stories that I hear. He says all I need do is believe in him that he is true to me. 1 love him with all my heart and I cannot bear to be always quarreling with him. Those who follow Italian affairs are Now, my dear Miss Fairfax, what I refectly astonished at the statistics of want you to tell me is what I can do to stop all these quarrels. AN ANXIOUS READER

If you really love each other I cannot see how you can quarrel so much. quarreling will surely destroy your love unless it grows so pronounced that you cannot ignore it. Try agreeing with everything he says for a little while and perhaps he will come to see that it find that nothing will stop it I think you had better break off your friend-

young lady for the past three or four months and intend to give her a Christmas present of a brooch or a ring. Some friends of mine who are inclined to be Jealousy grows without feeding on superstitious say it breaks friendship to give a pin of any description, while Men wouldn't mind being baldheaded others say that certain rings break of the two do you W. H. M.

friendship. Which think is proper obgive?

Turn Lu, the recently-deceased general like this,

performance was ready. Seated in a

yellow canopy, the empress is described

as enjoying the performance, laughing

artily at the two little Hindoo dwarfs

foreign, upholstered armchair under