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SIGNIFICANCE OF VON PLEHVE'S ASSASSINATION.

N THE HOUR of Russia's keenest stress, when such cessive defeats in the orient have weakened her arms and when gravest complications with neutral powers are threatened, the spirit of revolt has again flamed forth at home. Von Plehve, the Russian minister of the interior and state secretary of Finland, has been assassinated in the streets of St. Petersburg, and the circumstances leave little doubt that the tragedy is the culmination of a deep-laid plot, the outgrowth of the fierce popular discontent which unceasingly menaces the stability of the czar's government. It is strongly significant that the assassination should take place at this time when the spirit of patriotism should call upon every loyal subject of the czar to stand fast in his allegiance, to array himself with the defenders, not with the assailants

As a people the Russians are naturally intensely patriotic, but generations of intolerable oppression and misrule are bearing their inevitable fruit. Revolution is in air and only by the iron hand of merciless repression the government maintained its ascendency. While the Russian press will comment only with horror and detestation upon the assassination which has occurred, it is deniable that among a large part of the Russian popit will be viewed with secret approval and symat beyond her borders but within her own household.

Minister von Piehve has explated not only the general olicy of ruthless tyranny which the Russian government pursued toward its own people, but also, and more the crimes against Finland which constitute of the darkest blots upon the pages of modern history. as the exponent of the despotic rule which has stripped that unfortunate country of its liberties and reed its people to the condition of serfs. Finland has cried aloud for justice but her cries have been unheard.

In extraordinary contrast to the spirit of rebellion that among the people of Russia, is the intense and ted patriotism of the Japanese. Not a whisper of to the mikado's rule is to be heard, not a hand ed by his subjects against any officer of the govern-As one man the people of Japan are bending all ir energies to the defeat of the common foe. Theirs is the spirit which brooks no defeat while the power of resistance remains. St. Petersburg's grim tragedy brings into vivid prominence the widely different attitude of the subjects of these two warring powers toward their re-

WANTED-A BILL OF PARTICULARS.

HE OREGONIAN has indulged in so much talk as to the rulnous consequences to the city governthe gambling houses, that it is pertinent to ask for a of particulars. To the casual observer the wheels of icipal machine seem to be running just as easily they were a week ago. As yet there have been wholesale dismissals of city employes and the city's credit is apparently just as good as it was before dissolvg the partnership with the gambling houses.

Through the columns of the Oregonian the public has en furnished with careful estimates of the amount of withdrawn from circulation by the closing of the mbling games, the number of people thrown out of empicture of the distress that must prevail among the wives and children of the now unemployed faro dealers, look-outs, steerers and others who have been on the payrolls of Messrs. Grant, Blazier, Erickson et al. To make in detail the evil consequences to the city. Let us have gamplers. Generalities are not impressive, and the pub- substantial. To the wheat growers of eastern Oregon lic should be acquainted with the full extent and the pre- this will be a year of unusual prosperity.

An American Lady in London Telegraph.

pects to provide a succession of theatre

ese are apt to be too severely chap-oned for the individuality of either of e couple to assert itself. The veranda,

courtship. The southern girl has almost all the year round. That is

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however, is the real home of the Ameri

American summer-resort hotels provide vast miles of it, and every summer cot-tage rates its plassa as its most impor-

tant accessory. The American girl from all parts of the country takes possession of this paradise of country.

engagement devotion.

OUR EXTRAVAGANT COURTSHIPS. to the double and even the triple engage-ment habit. It may be, however, that her weakness in this direction is only Extravagance is the order of the day in American courtships. The period leading up to the engagement is one of continuous entertainment for the ad-mired young woman. The admirer exthe summer-engagement habit prolonged as is her summer climate throughout the

AMERICAN ADVERTISING.

parties, opera parties, dinners at expen-sive cafes, etc. He also is expected to From the Philadelphia Ledger. Americans are adepts in the art of advertising and cannot be outclassed in this respect. We have adorned the mountain side with telling placards of render his homage in the shape of per-ishable luxuries, such as flowers and candy, before the engagement. Books, music and gloves are also possible. Pic -not too expensive—and similar whose principal qualification seems to be that they are not useful, are permitted to lend variety to the pretween Philadelphia and New York, it is feared, will soon be fenced in by a series of nondescript advertising strucengagement devotion. After the en-gagement the homage takes a more solid tures and legends not to be seen in such variety and profusion in any other country. It was "officially" declared by the governor of New Jersey that there are 1,600 billboards along the route from Trenton to New York City for the deform, appearing usually as jewelry, sadhorses, dogs, ivory and silver deak articles, etc. In the most exclusive so-cial circles in the great cities, and especially in New York, the relatives of the bewitched young man, rather than himself, provide the entertainments given to the object of his regard. Teas, lectation of travelers who prefer the unadorned landscape. This kind of pub-licity has reached such a pass that inmers and dances are given by his atives and old friends, and up to her genuity is severely taxed to discover new ways of making one's business known. It is announced that the paster relatives and old friends, and up to ner marriage the young woman lives in a whirl of pleasurable excitement, which is all the more intoxicating in that it is new field by accepting contributions from business houses and permitting from business houses and permitting from business to appear on tablets conthe firm names to appear on tablets con-spicuously placed within the church, so that the congregation can leisurely read, ponder, and inwardly digest the seduceir courting on the golf links and the bridle-path. There is also the ballroom drawing-room courtship, but

WHAT INVESTORS WANT.

ive invitations to buy goods at the

From the Baker City Democrat.
Approminent mining man, who is here in the interest of an eastern syndicate, said that he was tired of looking at and why, perhaps, that courting is so much more a fine art there than elsewhere in the United States. She calls it "the gallery," and presides over it, gowned—innocently, but, oh. so becomingly—in white. It is lighted by moonlight spending money in the investigation of Bonanza mines. "What investors in the in white. It is lighted by moonight only, it is scented with jasmine and magnetia. One of the first things that a large body of low grade ore. Give us a large body of low gra east now want in the way of a mine is only, it is not not the first things that a southern girl who comes to New York always asks is, "Where do you do your courting?" But in the summer the plaza is a universal possibility. All the we will make pienty of money for our-selves and everybody connected with the property. High grade ore is all right if there is enough of it in continuous bodies, but pocket mines are going out of fashion. I know that in eastern Oreall parts of the country takes possession of this paradise of courtship.

The plazza may account for the reck-lessness of the American girl in regard to summer engagements. Engagements beginning in summer are an especial brand. They are not expected to last, and the "summer engagement" is known from the Atlantic to the Pacific as an archaeles frames ment. Many not small, and where the values might

From Town Topics.

She—Mrs. Sparker has done nothing lately but run down her neighbors.

He—I had no idea she was such a gos-

sip.
She-Who said anything about gossip?

government must make, in consequence of the sheriff's unprecedented and unpardonable enforcement of the law. Youchsafed upon this subject is that the building of a new firehouse must be postponed another year. Is this all? Is this the sum total of the ills which are to result to the city from putting an end to public gambling?

NOW FOR A GREATER OREGON.

N TEXT week Portland will be visited by many hun dreds of people of Oregon who will gather here from all parts of the state to meet with many citizens of this city, to form or formally to organize great State Development association.

From every county, from every city and town of con sequence, delegates have been selected, amounting hundreds in the aggregate, and judging from reports in the state press, all are enthusiastically eager to take up and carry on this greatly needed and very important work, along the lines suggested by Mr. Tom Richardson

the state; that the suggestion for a great State Development league has met everywhere with such cordial indorsement and enthusiastic approval, and that so many delegates are coming to confer together in this meeting, are good signs. They show that Oregon is awakening as she has never awakened before.

Naturally, the people of the state expect Portland to take the lead, to bear a large proportion of the burder and this Portland must do. And Portland must make ried on primarily and principally on behalf of the state outside of this city. Portland's object is not directly to build up herself, but only indirectly; fully realizing that Portland can only become great by developing the resources of the state, and filling it up with producing

rates well, not elaborately or showily, but hospitably, making all of them feel at home, and that Portland is as nuch interested in the welfare and growth of their severa ommunities as they are themselves.

Portland and all the rest of the state are working to ether, or will work together henceforth, as never before. sch an association can work wonders in five years Start it right, and keep it moving and working, for

PROSPERITY IN OREGON WHEAT.

STIMATES of the wheat crop of the United States for this year are generally agreed that the total will be far below the usual figures. President Hill of the Northern Pacific railroad has reached the conclusion, based upon data obtained from all parts of the country, that the shortage in the crop will reach 100,000, Whether or not this is a reliable estimate, it is certain that there will be ample demand for all the wheat likely to fall materially below the present high level.

Wheat growers in many states have sustained heavy osses through the failure of their crops, but in Oregon they have been, as a whole, very fortunate. It is truthat in western and southern Oregon the farmers have suffered severely from drouth, though late rains have im proved the conditions somewhat; but eastern Oregon is ssured of a bumper crop of wheat. In many localities all previous records will be eclipsed. In the great wheat districes of the Inland Empire the production is enormous and the weather has been all that the farmers could de-

Despite the heavy transportation charges which the farmers are obliged to pay, and must continue to pay a specific statement of the disasters that are impending until the obstacles to navigation of the Columbia have because of the loss of revenue formerly derived from the been removed, the margin of profit upon the crop will be

TREY PROVED IT.

From the Philadelphia Record. Although it was demonstrated more than 2,000 years ago that the earth is globular in form, there are certain per-sons who maintain that it is flat. sons who maintain that it is hat.
About 35 years ago a controversy on
the subject waxed so hot that it was
determined to put the matter to direct
experiment in order to settle the ques-

mile stretch of water. At both ends and in the middle of this water posts were erected, each of the same definite height above the water level. Upon looking with a telescope along the tops of these three posts it was clearly seen that the center one overtopped the others by about six feet, owing to the curvature of the surface of the earth.

These experiments were recently repeated in a more scientific manner by H. Yule Oldham, who read a paper on the subject before the Glasgow meeting of the British association. The same results were obtained, with the important difference that by the employment of a tele-photographic lens and examera the six-foot prominence of the middle post was recorded in a new recorded in an examera the six-foot prominence of the middle post was recorded in a new recorde

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DRY LAND ALFALPA.

Dry land alfaifa is proving a success in Umatilla county. Last year a Pendleton merchant sold 1,800 pounds of seed, in small lots, which was sown on dry land all the way from Heppner to Walla Walla, and it has done well in almost every instance. This seed is not peculiar except that it is the product of seed from alfalfa which has been raised for a succession of years on lands which were semi-arid, and as a result it has become. "acclimated" to hazardous and unfavorable conditions of soil and moisture, and for that reason soil and moisture, and for that reason is perhaps more hardy and will with-stand drouth better than the product of seed sown where there is an abundance

THE INCREASE OF DISEASE.

From American Medicine. In New York Dr. Biggs finds that dur In New York Dr. Biggs finds that during twenty years there has been a great increase in the acute respiratory diseases of the circulatory apparatus and the kidneys. The increase in cancer amounts to about 15 per cent, and the increase in the diseases of the circulatory apparatus and kidneys combined equals about 40 per dent. The profoundly important question still remains unsolved as to the causes of these increases and then of the methods of obviating them.

Small Change

A meat strike is timely in midsun

Oh, well, the Republicans had a hardine finding a chairman also,

Well, vegetables are healthful, and aste good, this time of year. That convention next week should have large and important results.

Clean streets are worth all they in money, and some individual obesides.

Still Portland maintains its reputation as about the most comfortable summer resort in the country.

One does not have to dig down very deep to find water in most of the "pro-moted" stock corporations.

Judge Parker may have voted twice for Mr. Bryan, but not, let it be under-stood, at the same election.

Atlanta, Ga., is absolutely free from gambling, declares the Constitution. And Atlanta is not a dead town. Couldn't some kind of an athletic con-test—a foot race, for instance, be got up between Roosevelt, Parker and Davis?

If President Roosevelt should be de-feated he could fall back on writing magazine articles — and several other

It has been discovered that cocoanut milk can be converted into first-class butter. Now shouldn't the dairymen be

According to etiquette, it is said.
biscutts should be opened with the
fingers. But there are cases where the
use of a hatchet is excusable.

Scientists have discovered what they say is the oldest city in the world— Wdnunki, they call it. In its ruins hey have already discovered a job

Hood River Glacier remarks, "prompts the blithering idiot-to mop his monkey face-and inquire, Is it hot enough for

Chicago News: By way of convincing the country that he really means to vote for Parker, Mr. Bryan keeps on showing how painful it will be for him to do so.

Rev. Silas Swallow, prohibition candidate for president, has coined an alliterative phrase, descriptive, as he asserts or intimates, of the policies and methods of the old parties. He calls upon the people to redeem the land from "bunko, boodle and boose."

Here they are, the whole batch, Here they are, the whole batch, so far: Candidates for president and vice-president, 1904: Republican, Roosevelt and Fairbanks: Democratic, Parker and Davis; Prohibitionist, Swallow and Car-roll; Socialist, Debs and Hanford; So-cial-Labor, Corregan and Cox; Populist, Watson and Tribbles; Negro Liberty, Scott and Payne.

IN A ST. LOUIS HOTEL.

His Experience. I am comfortably situated in the Thin

A heavy man can climb all over it, w three bell boys carrying the bill their bills for the first day they put them on the second floor. By the time a man has paid his bill for two days he is light enough to go up on the third floor with safety. When he has stayed a

floor with safety. When he has stayed a week they have to put weights in his pockets to keep him from shooting up through the roof.

I got into the inn at 2 o'clock and was 86th in the line. When I got to the clerk he turned me upside down and shook me. Then he counted what fell out of my pockets, told me to register, and handed me a blue ticket and a bell boy.

"You have enough money for four days." he said. "Go to the cashier and settle."

My room is No. 5415, three blocks from

settle."
My room is No. 5415, three blocks from
the public square and a mile south of the
buffet. When I got my receipts and my
bell boy I sat down and waited an hour for a street car. But they told me there wasn't a line in the whole place—not even a hack line. I had to walk all the way to

room, so now he walks over to Moberly every morning.

The inn is a fine place. They treat you right and do their best to make you feel at home. I wanted the clerk to come out and play a game of bottle pool with me this morning and he said he would just as soon as he had 99 guests taken care of. But when he got through with them there were 119 more waiting, so we had to give it up. He did not remember me this morning until I told him my name. I wonder why that was.

HOW TO MAKE A MAN.

Hurry the baby as fast as you can, man, Off with his baby clothes, get him is

pants, Feed him on brain food and make him

Into the grammar school; cram him with talk. Fill his poor head full of figures and facts. facts,
Keep on jumping him until it cracks.
Once boys grew up at a rational rate.
Now we develop a man while he waits,
Rush him through college, compel him

Of every known subject a dip and

nab;
Get him in business and after the cash,
All by the time he can grow a mustache,
Let him forget he was ever a boy,
Make gold his god and fingle his joy;
Keep him a hustling and clear out of
broath
Luttle he wine pervous prostration and

Until he wins nervous prostration and death. —Sparta Ishmaelite.



July 28.—At one mile this morning we reached a bluff on the north, being the first highlands which approach the river on that side since we left the Nadawa river. Above this is an island, and a creek about 15 yards Wide, which, as it has no name, we called Indian Knob creek, from a number of round knobs bare of timber, on the highlands to the north. A little below the bluff on the north is a spot where the Ayauway Indians formerly lived. They were a branch of the Ottoes and emigrated from this place to the river Des Moines. At ten and three-quarters miles we camped on the north, opposite an island in the middle of the river. The land, gonerally on the north, consists of high

THE MIRACULOUS WORK OF LOVE

They have been telling us for years here in England that charity, the old-fash-

fere.

For several years I have been haunted by the fear that these wise people may be right, and every time I have given to a tramp or beggar I have been troubled by a guilty conscience.

But one day quite lately I discovered afresh the delightful truth that these people are altogether wrong, and that only my own folly had hidden the truth from me for a moment.

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It was a Sunday afternoon, and on the highroad that runs through the village, the respectable and well-to-do inhabitants of the village were airing their respecta-bility. The dressmaker and her sister, in smart new gowns, the farmer's wife and her children, the butcher strolling about in front of his new red brick

They were all so prosperous, so self-respecting, so far removed from any need of charity. I had passed them by and had reached the top of the hill, when I met two men, or rather I overtook one man and met another, for the two men, going in opposite directions, had just met as I came up.

met as I came up.

One was a tall man, simply dressed in week-day clothes. There was nothing prosperous about his appearance, but he had the air of a man who worked hard and honestly and was content with his

ext moment a big silver piece lay in the took the purse and went home. I waited to see the effect of my story. One woman was too shocked to speak.

That was all.

The tail man walked quickly down the Another said, "How silly!"

riven ungrudgingly, too.

The tramp and I had both seen a mira-cle—he a miracle of kindness, I the mir-

NO GAMBLING THERE.

Atlanta Is Entirely Free From This

From the Chicago Record-Herald.

Atlanta is one city in the south absolutely free from this terrible menace. Such has been the case, however, for the astonishing period of 20 years. During that long interval the city's population has more than doubled itself, assimilating in the process all classes and conditions of people of widely varying ideas. Its interests—social, industrial and commercial—have attained metropolities proportions. It might be reactive to the condition proportions. politan proportions. It might be rea-sonably assumed that with its population recruited from cities and sections where recruited from cities and sections where games of hazard are more or less prevalent, and with the natural factor of incilination about as strong as in communities of equal importance, the gambling contingent would have obtained a foothold. But through all the throes of growth and development and the shifting of administrations representing totally antithetical sentiment, this bane of large and small cities has never reached even the seeding stage since it

bane of large and small cities has never reached even the seeding stage since it was mastered by public sentiment in Atlanta more than 20 years ago.

'And all this has been accomplished without the assumption of puritanism or depriving the people of innocent, needed amusements. Undoubtedly no city of its size in the country affords its inhabitants such complete in and out door recreation as does Atlanta, at the same time preserving her reputation free from the terrible tarnish of the gambling mania.

This same sentiment, which has survived the trisls of 20 years, has established convincingly the follacy of the old hypocritical dogma that to thrive and develop a city must maintain an "open" government; that open gambling houses must be allowed to flourisk under at least the cloaked sanction of the authorities; saloons and brotheis permitted to regulate themselves and their own hours, so long as they paid a handsome revenue, and every other feature of the "open" city suffered for the sake of the convenient policy of "expediency."

scientific people, who denounce charity, entirely forget.

They forget the miraculous work of love. They have got hold of some little, scrap of truth, that is, the warning of St. Paul, "Though I bestow all of my goods to feed the poor and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing," but they have got hold of this truth wrong side up. It is not that we must not give, but that we must not give without love. Perhaps they do not believe in miracles, perhaps their time limit is shorter than ours.

toward the giver, in God's heavenly treasury, and then go on his way, a tramp still, but one step higher up than he had been before.

Most of us are blind in this way. It is only here and there nowadays that we meet a believer in miracles: and those of us who ought to believe so often dim our own eyes by forgetfulness and doubt.

Since I saw that miracle on the hill I have been seeking for believers. I sought among a drawing room full of women the other day. They were ordinary women, all drinking tea and gossiping in a kindly manner.

I tried them with the touchstone of a story I had heard three years ago in London. The story was a true one, and I told it without comment, thus:

A woman I knew in London once did a very strange thing. She was visiting in the alumns and had been very ill and was too weak to walk.

A Wallula man, using therefor about an acre and a half of ground and two months' time, harvests 4,000 or 5,000 pounds of honey a year, the bees extracting it from willows, red clover and wild flowers for many miles around.

Jesse Chesley, a timberman working above Philomath, had his eye completely gouged out though not entirely torn loose, by a vine maple snag, on which he fell in consequence of stumbling. It is possible that the eye, which he replaced, may be saved.

The waterspouts throughout Wheeler county have damaged all roads along the shall be allowed and two months' time. It is a thorotighted to walk.

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While she was still amazed at her folly

Quick as thought the woman pulled out her purse. "I am going to the top floor," she said, "and I have \$250 in gold in my purse. Would you ve so good as to take care of it for me till I come down again?" She put the purse into his hand and went upstairs. She was gone some time, and when she came down there stood the man, the purse in one hand and his cap

culculous work of love.

No doubt the tramp walked on to the Was all of these things, but for the rest for one moment he was a better man for the gift. I could see it in his face.

And this is just what those wise and hero for half an hour.

the attention of Sheriff Barrett and others of his kind to the case of At-lanta. They will, if asked to consider the growth and development of that city without the assistance of the gam-bling element, set up the claim that the Referring to the recent cold-blooded murder of two deputy sheriffs in a Memphis gambling house the Atlanta Constitution says the establishment was operating under quasi protection of the municipal authorities and deplores the fact that such a condition can be permitted to exist anywhere. Speaking of its own city the Constitution says:

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BALLADE OF THE GIRLS.

Who would not pause to drink a toast.
To pledge the health of maidens fair
While thinking still of her who most
Excels in wit and beauty rare.
Who would not thus one momen

spare
For lover's devoir, while onward rolls
The world, with all its sordid care?A health, I say, to lovely girls!

What man of us is too engrossed, Too busied with the world's affair An instant to desert his post
And drink to damsels debonair?
Nor need he fear lest he forswear
Himself in pledging flaxen hair—
A health, I say, to lovely girls!

And so this glass to beauty's host! A pledge in which we all may share 'Tis only thus that we can beast The smiles of her without compare. The one for whom we each would dar And die the death amid the swirls Of cannon's smoke and battle's flare—A health, I say, to lovely girls!

—New York Tribuns.

WAY OF A WOMAN

develop a city must maintain an "open" government; that open gambling houses must be allowed to flourish under at least the cloaked sanction of the authorities; saloons and brothels permitted to regulate themselves and their own hours, so long as they paid a handsome revenue, and every other feature of the convenient policy of "expediency."

Atlanta has developed into one of the most important commercial centers of the south without the shady assistance of such complacent sophistry.

It will, of course, be useless to draw

From the Philadelphia Ledger.

Where a man finds comfort in talking of his real troubles awoman invariably keeps hers to herself. She will recite numerous minor woes, and talk volubly of her numerous sind triumphs and troubles, but her secret hopes and buried sorrows are rarely suspected by her most intimate friends and associates. For the sake of her friends, and worldly may have locked in her secret heart a great sorrow or disappointment that is unsuspected by the outer world. From the Philadelphia Ledger

Oregon Sidelights

Dallas has a good sewer system, and is proud of it.

Hood River keeps on growing and mproving right along.

A new national bank will be opened in Dallas about September 1.

Cascade Locks is growing, as over

Campers in the mountains where the ripe berries are thick are numerous.

Frankton correspondence of Hood River Glacier: We had a conundrum down here. What will we do with out strawberry money?

Eugene expects to be the terminus of the trolley-system to be through the Willamette valley. Very likely, after a time, and for a time.

Echo is to have water, furnished from wells by a gasoline engine pump-ing plant, plenty of good water being found at a depth of 200 feet.

The Sheridan correspondent of the McMinnville Telephone Register says Sheridan "has the finest water system in the state"—79 gallons per capita of pure, cold water from springs.

A horse weighing 1,800 pounds, worth \$2,200, was hauled on a truck from Corvallis to Halsey, 14 miles, in the night time. It is a thoroughbred stallion and had been very ill and was too weak to walk.

The waterspouts throughout Wheeler county have damaged all roads along the small streams wherever high water occurred. The roads in the south half of the county have been damaged so

Some Lakeview men who went to in-spect a supposed salt mine near Warner lake, and incidentally to hunt, say that the largest game they saw was mosqui-toes, and declare that some very large ones would hold the bed clothing up while others would pay their respects to occupants of the bed.

Grants Pass Journal: Hot! To be sure. Dry! Certain; natural result of the heat. But if you think conditions are depress-ing here in "God's country," you ought to take a trip over into the wilderness to take a trip over into the wilderness of California and notice the courses of red hot distress now being regularly served. Southern Oregon is a watered park by comparison.

a young man of our town there is sup-posed to exist a mortal enmity. There-fore, rumor having it that he had come in contact with a job, a delegation went forth to see the mix-up, but they found the young man and his employment quietly lying side by side, across the young man's placid countenance flitted a seraphic smile, as gently he slept the sleep of the ever weary.

The Oakland (Or.) Owl editor and fam-The Oakland (Or.) Owl editor and family visited McCollum's sawmill on Callipools creek, and he says of the millman's daughter: Miss McCollum is not only a good housekeeper, but an all around sawmill expert. She can run the engine, the saw or the planer. If we were 29 years younger we would buy a sawmill and—employ Miss McCollum as general manager. While the rest of the family are working in the mill Mrs. McCollum is not idle, by any means. Besides attending to idle, by any means. Besides attending to her household duties she grows one of the best gardens in the state. It is well

SECURED AN ANSWER.

From the Washington Star.

mained out a great deal later than usual a few nights ago, and for obvious reasons thought it wise to remove his shoes in the vestibule of his home and ascend in the vestibule of his home and ascend a guildy as possible, in in the vestibule of his home and ascend the stairway as quietly as possible, in the hope of not arousing his parents. It was an old, old scheme, of course, but he thought it would work. All went well until the son of the house was a little above the second story landing. Then he was startled to hear the voice of his father thunder:

the voice of his father thunder:

"Is that you, Walter?"

No answer. Walter thought his stromight eonolude that he had not heard anything after all, so remained quiet as a mouse, but again came the demand, more emphatic than before:

"Is that you, Walter?"

Still no answer. There was a pause, and then the significant and startling click of a revolver. Again, in calm, but determined tone:

"Is that you, Walter?"

"Y-e-s, sir." Walter hurriedly shouted, his teeth chattering with fright. He has decided to walk upstairs boldly and loudly on all occasions hereafter.

THAT TOOTHPICK PIEND

From the Rochester Herald.

The man who will use a toothpick in street cars doesn't "belong."

We witnessed an incident on a car the other day, in which one of these nuisances received the proper squeiching.

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He was hanging by a strap and was absently, even peacefully, picking his teeth.

Presently the woman who was scated in front of him touched him.

"Bir," she said pleasantly, "would you mind going out on the platform to pick your teeth? Tm not at all curious to know what you had for dinner."

The fellow left the car immediately while the conductor rang up two fares by mistake.