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AN INJUSTICE TO MR. BRISTOL.

LTOGETHER REGARDLESS of whether or not District Attorney Bristol has at any time been guilty of professional impropriety the treatment accorded him has been both unfair and indecent. No charges, it appears, were filed against him in the department of justice but they were laid before a senate committee from which mysterious hints of them emerged to a newspaper which just as mysteriously gave them indefinite currency. With the air filled with rumors and president yesterday withdrew it as seemingly the only way that Mr. Bristol might have a chance to meet the charges preferred against him and be afforded a chance

As the charges, so far as Mr. Bristol is concerned, go ar and away beyond his mere appointment and, if snap judgment were taken of him, might unjustly and disastrously affect his professional standing for all time to come, it looks as though it had been contemplated to take a dastardly advantage of him. The movement of the president in withdrawing the appointment before action was taken by the senate gives him the chance to be heard in his own behalf, therefore provides him the epportunity, accorded under the law to the meanest criminal, to be heard in his own defense before judgment is finally passed upon him.

As to the charges themselves, whatever they are, they are for Mr. Bristol and him alone to meet and disprove. That is a duty which he owes to the president but even in a larger and deeper sense to himself. But from the he should have been accorded an opportunity to meet them openly, freely and fairly and anything short of this is rank injustice which every honorable man must resent, totally without reference to the gravity of the

COMMON'SENSE IN RELIGION.

HERE ARE GOOD MEN who mean to do good and try to do good, but do harm along with good, perhaps more harm than good, because unbalanced, and do not season their zeal with discretion; because they cannot adapt themselves properly to time, circumstance, occasion and an all-round view; because, in a word they lack that sum of wisdom as applied to the commonplace and everyday af-

fairs of life-common sense.

An illustration of this was presented yesterday in dispatch from an Indiana town situated on the bank of river, in the ice-covered waters of which a preacher indeavored to baptize a large number of converts. He proke through the ice bravely, and called on the candidates for immersion to come ahead. The first one, a uding immersion should be performed in the sumner season or a comfortable baptistry. A few others, nostly women, stood the test, but the rest declined, and we think very sensibly, for there should be commo sense in religion as well as in everything else. There is no real merit in risking pneumonia in order to perform this rite at a certain time and in a frozen-oyer river. The preacher may say that religious zeal ought to stand such a test, and so it should if it were necessary, essential, if there were any merit in it; but religious teachhappily rare now who believe this. It is folly children out of a heated church and plunge them under its represented to be doing a successful work. The children out of a heated church and plunge them under its represented to be doing a successful work. The children out of a heated church and plunge them under its represented to be doing a successful work. The weight of evidence supports the theory that if the open air and forced feeding treatment is begun before the disease has reached its last stages, a cure is effected in a disease has reached its last stages, a cure is effected in a scarcely less than criminal to take delicate women and

eumonia and tuberculosis, and died an untimely death; but the practice has become comparatively rare.

THE OLDEST MAN IN THE SENATE.

ENATOR PETTUS of Alabama is 85 years old and though his present term will not expire for. three years yet, he has announced that he is a candidate for reelection, as it is understood Senator Morgan, who is nearly as old, will also be when his term expires. A number of younger Alabama statesmen who would like to get into the senate think that when the present terms of these two octogenarians expire they should be content to retire. If Senator Pettus should be reelected he would be 94 years old, if he lived, when his next term ended, and however much he may be respected and however well he may have served his state, it is absurd for a man four score and ten years old to cling to a seat in the senate, or for the people of his state to permit him to hold it. The very fact that a man of that uge thinks he is fit to represent a state unless his be a very rare case of preservation, proves his unfitness. And the same is true of Senator Morgan. Morgan's interminable speeches on the isthmian canal, though he was in the main right, were evidence of his decadence, for he talked for many days, extending into weeks, in the aggregate, without any hope of changing any votes

The first election of Pettus to the senate involves, in this connection, a humorous phase. During Cleveland's age. The latter replied that he would show Pugh that She has come to her senses at last.

he, Pettus, was not too old to go to the senate in Pugh's place, and he did, although he lived in the same little town, Selma, that was the home of Senator Morgan. Pettus is said to be a rather young old man, but at 88 a man ought to be willing to retire.

CHINA REALLY AWAKENED.

THE MOST SIGNIFICANT piece of news that has come out of China for many a day was that published in Sunday's issue of The Journal in which a correspondent of the London Times made clear the determination apparent to reject the nomination, the high standard of efficiency which had been reached by the Chinese army. Nothing could more plainly demonstrate the "awakening" of that vast and loose-jointed empire. Heretofore China has simply been a plaything for all the civilized nations. If one nation ouged in one direction and infringed the real or suposed rights of another the demand for reparation was nade not upon the offending nation but upon poor deenseless China which was oftentimes forced to concede everything asked, however unreasonable and unwar-

If it had not been for the United States and Great Britain China would have been torn to pieces after the Boxer troubles. But that calamity, for such it would have been, was averted by the action of these two counipon lines whose effectiveness has been demonstrated by apan. Precisely why the anti-foreign feeling, for which, infortunately, there are the weightiest grounds, should concentrate itself upon the Americans is not clearly apparent, though, if official sources of information are be relied upon, there seems to be good reasons for reaching that unpleasant conclusion. The anti-foreign feeling has long been latent. It has found frequent expression in rioting but from this time henceforth China is power to be reckoned with beyond these purely local manifestations. The practical elimination of Russia, its most feared foe, from the oriental equation, has cleared the atmosphere for the land of the Manchus. It can no longer be exploited as it has been in the past. But at the same time it is not in a position yet to defy and invite reprisals from the whole world. A much more sensible way would be to place the nation upon precisely the same basis as other nations and provide opportunities for its development as can be found everywhere under civilized flags.

China, however, more than ever before, is becoming factor to be reckoned with in all transactions which affect its national integrity and the nations of the earth must speedily accept it from this new point of view.

THOUGHTFUL PHILANTHROPY.

PORTLAND MAN who died recently in Arizon of tuberculosis left a considerable sum of money to provide tuberculosis wards in two of the hospitals of this city, so that some victims of this disease who are too poor to secure needed attention and comforts would be provided with them in their last days. It was a good thought and act, and many sufferers will during the years to come have cause to bless the benefactor whom they never knew.

This beneficent action may suggest to some other person of means the idea of providing at death or before a fund for the enlargement and partial support of the open-air tuberculosis sanitarium near this city, which, though supported only by private contributions,

century ago, and many a person has thereby contracted scarcely think of any better way to do good by preventing suffering and death than by enabling these institutions, or some one of them, to provide for the

THEY DID THEIR BEST.

HE CATASTROPHE on the O. R. & N. railway yesterday at Bridal Veil was more truly an accident than many similar tragedies of the rails that are so described. In this case there was no carelessness on the part of the train crew, no disregard or wrong interpretation of orders. A bursting injector of the engine rendered the train uncontrollable; the crew did all that mortals could do, and the disaster speedily followed. If anybody is at fault it is the builder or inspector of the engine, the one who should have known of its weak spot, if that could have been ascertained.

The accident having occurred, Engineer Swain and Fireman Morgan apparently did all that mortal man could do to prevent the fatal collision. In the face of great danger and even of death they exerted their utmost power to check the runaway train, being seriously injured in so doing. That their efforts failed is not their fault; on the contrary that they acted so promptly, energetically and bravely proved them to be heroes, no less than if they had succeeded.

Countess Castellane, formerly Anna Gould, desires, of course, in case she secures a divorce to keep her children, and she is reported as saying that she wanted to come back to America to live and bring them with her. second term, some 12 years ago, Pettus was a candidate them be made over," she said, "into healthy hearted for a federal judgeship, which ambition Senator Pugh, Americans, like my own family. That is all I Pettus' predecessor, ridiculed on the ground of Pettus' have left to hope for from life." Good for the countess.

"Bible Yell" a Great Success.

From the Philadelphia Telegraph.
All Columbus is talking about the "Bible yell," introduced in the First Methodist Episcopal church by the pastor, the Rev. Alfred H. Pitkin.
A special service for children was held in the church auditorium after the regular Sunday school service. Each youngster had been provided with a silp of paper on which was printed in bold type:

"Say, my chum, have you seen

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"Say, my chum, have you seen
II Timothy, ii, 15; iii, 15;
I John, i, 7, 9;
Romans, viii, 16?
I Thessalonians, v, 22,
Tells you exactly what to do."
The adult members of the congregation had not been informed of what was coming. The Rev. Mr. Pitkin mounted the pulpit and announced that the service would open with the "Bible yell" instead of the usual hymn by the choir, the purpit and announced that the service would open with the "Bible yell" instead of the usual hymn by the choir, r-d that the cornelist who leads the singing would lead the yell, he having been taken into the pasior's confidence. The youngsters had by this time learned the mystic symbols, and when the pasior and cornetist led the way the building fairly shook with these words rolled out of 200 youthful throats, every little sincer putting all his voice into the work:
"Sar, my chum, have you seen

feel scandalized or pleased, but the great majority enjoyed the novelty and

applauded vigorously. the "Bible yell" down pat, and gave it with true rhythm and proper emphasis; and how they did seem to enjoy it! The yell was repeated as often as an excuse could be found throughout the

excuse could be found throughout the service.

Speaking of the matter today, the Rev. Mr. Pitkin said:

"The Bible yell roused the interest of the children and fixed in their minds the parts of Scripture referred to. There probably is not one person, young or old, who attended the service who has not looked up the chapters and verses named in the yell, and I assure you if they were read with care every one has been benefited.

"I am not sure that the yell will be made a part of the regular Sunday school nervice. That will depend largely upon the sentiment of those besides myself who have authority in the church. It may be a little too noisy for a regular Sunday feature, but I think it served a good purpose yesterday.

"No, I do not object to noise if it is

A Chance for Carnegie,

From the Kokomo Dispatch.

The Carnegie commission should forward one of its hero medain at once to Bilis Eury of Perklasville, Indians, who has just married his mother-in-law.

of the older members of the six-page paper and is one of the best

Florence M. Cooley in December Out

I'm homesick for the kills, Green-clad with spruces tall, Where golden mists come of

down,
And purple shadows fall.
And I long to sit at sunset
On high places that I know.

I'm homesick for the hills Where life is full and free. Where the air is like a draught

wine— There's where I want to be. And my straining eyes look westward
And my heart with longing fills;
For I hear the pines a-calling,
And I'm homesick for the hills.

From the New York Times,

Secrets of New York restaurant waiters carnings came to light recently at the hearing of the suit of a waiter against the city for damages. The plaintiff claimed that a fall on the sidewalk in front of his home incapacitated him from performing his duties as actively as formerly. The interesting part of the testimony was that relating to his financial condition and the amount of his carnings at the time of the accident. He said his salary as a waiter was \$6 a week, but it was brought out that he made \$40 a week, the additional \$24 being made in tips. He also made about \$29 extra a week at night banquets. From the New York Times.

SMALL CHANGE

When some people have no argument or evidence to offer in disproof of a plain, true statement, they lose their temper and yell, "You're a liar" This is also the case with some newspapers.

Many Republicans of this district are hoping that ex-Judge Lowell of Pendle-ton will become a candidate for repre-sentative in congress.

Ashland's death rate for 1905 was only 7.65 per 1,000.

Six big candidates busning like a hive; One dropped out and then there were five.

It was a case of much smoke and lit-

Nobody wants to be even a cousin

The Tacoma Ledger heads an torial: "Portland a Dead One," w shows that the editor is afflicted nightmare in his eleep.

that kissing a woman against her wil is sometitmes a dangerous thing to do And kissing a woman while on duty even if agreeable to her and in the dark is not allowable—or won't be as soon as a new rule to that effect can be pro-

Since his salary and mileage are

What a pity that Alice can't wear al Ex-Governor Geer: "Good Lord!"

There are indications that the king of

If Uncle Jim Hill is so sure that th people of this country are going broke, he might do a little to prevent it by reducing freights and fares.

Georgia traveling men demand clea sheets in hotels in small towns. Nex they will insist on no bedbugs.

Mrs. Yerkes-Mixner won't be troubled about what to do with her money, it she gives her sport husband free access

Nick in a public speech alluded to Alice, who was listening, as "the sun of my life." Well, she may make it hot for him later. At any rate, we haven't seen any

OREGON SIDELIGHTS

The Albany Democrat has just hear of a new song entitled, "Nob but Father."

About 5.000 pounds of butter per we is being made in the Corvallis ery. Pretty good for winter.

Over 100 ponies have been shipped from Pendleton to southern California

While looking for items last week the Seaside Signal man observed two ladies standing down by the ocean throwing stones at it. The inaccuracy of a woman's aim was again verified, as, after repeated attempts, neither of them hit it.

The Toledo Leader has discovere that Alice's Nick is a Democrat, and that she is marrying him to reform him

Not a prettier town on earth than Aurora, says the Borealts.

The Gold Hill Girls' band is to give

Laidlaw Chronicle: The first of th spring flood of settlers are coming in daily. Bix arrivals Friday is the record day for the year so far.

Sam Davis, a Coos county young man and engineer, is supposed to have been one of the Valencia disaster's victims.

Many Bandon people are making gar-den and some have lettuce, radishes, etc., up, which will soon be ready for the table. Ironside Item in Vale Oriano: News

is scarce but hay will be more before spring with some. After twinkling feebly three months the Forall Star twinkled out.

Bilver Lake Central Oregonian: The plaintive notes of a bunch of awan, lost in the fog, were heard Sunday morning as the birds birdled far overhead vain-ly endeavoring to find the lake. streetcar and saved two little uniforms from death. President Loubet in 1902, when the

"I am not 84, but still 64." North Powder wants a harnessmaker

A high school for Bend is under con-sideration. Apples worth from \$2 to \$4 a box in Portland bring but \$1 here. We need transportation facilities, says the John Day News.

Vale Oriano: A pack of coyotes held serenade just east of town on the night of January 26, and with the barking of the dogs in the town the air was noisy for a while.

"I am a miller, your majesty."

ANECDOTES OF THE FATHER OF KINGS

ment with war he cultivated the arts of peace and the patriarchal virtues, mak-

The first half of Christian's life was characterized by rigid economy. Absurd stories about his extreme poverty used to be spread abroad—one of them was that he taught drawing to help earn his living. Though these were untrue, it is true that the prince and his wife looked well to the pennies. They taught their children how to sew and cook and do all the prince and the prince and his wife looked well to the pennies.

with Christian's succession to the Danish throne, on July 31, 1862, but other and far more serious troubles began, in the shape of the Schleswig-Holstein war and the defeat of and loss of territory by Denmark. The humiliation rankled in the hearts of the Danes for a long time, and for it they blamed the king. They had named him "Prince Protocol."

The very day of his coronation there were riots in the streets, and the royal family had to shut themselves up within the palace of Amalienborg until the storm had blown over. Slowly, though, christian's tact, kindliness, simple bearing and innate democracy won over his people. Since the troubles in the sixties they have lived in profound and prosperous peace. The king interested himlest interests. He took no open part in the squabbles and intrigues which have disturbed Europe in the last 35 years. His influence was everted in the privacy of personal intercourse with his fellowsovereigns.

His queen was Private to the does not he not only violates oath before the court but his oblit tion to file God."

"Many of us are like sponges," at the son of America's wealthiest marks yesterday. "We are inclined soak up all the good that we can go from the world and keep, it to out selves. We watch out with careful ey for the things that will help us an selically enjoy the benefit to the exclusion of others. We are like sponges to the things that will help us an selically enjoy the benefit to the exclusion of others. We are like sponges we should be like a well from which some good could be drawn.

"It is right to look for the good in life, but it is wrong to keep others down when, by exercising a little generosity of personal intercourse which have distinct the privacy of personal intercourse with his fellow-sovereigns."

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"Many of us are like sponges." We are inclined marks yesterday. "We are inclined marks yesterday." We are like son of the son of the good that we can good that we can go f

rope." partly because it was she who engineered the matches for her children and partly because her son-in-law. Czar Alexander of Russia, used to find her his greatest source of comfort and as sistance when perplexed by questions of state. The queen made up in wit and brilliancy what the king lacked.

The royal couple celebrated their golden wedding on May 26, 1892. The queen died on September 29, 1898, at the age of 81.

After the burning of the Christians-borg palace, in 1883, the king and queen made their home in the Amalienborg palace, which at best was rather cramped quarters and not a grand out," which was always a feature of the reunions of the king's children and grandchildren, in after years formed the chief charm about those visits. On such occasions the crowned heads of Europe laid aside their formal manners and became children again. The king and queen of England would find themselves consigned to two small rooms and would take it gleefully—for the story is that Alexandra, Dagmar and Thyra shared the same room until they grew up and were married.

Such was the simplicity of King Christian's household, like a page from

Christian's household, like a page from the tales of Hans Andersen ("Once a king had three very beautiful daugh-ters," etc.)—and the children of King

At the last family census there were, in addition to the six children, 32 grandchildren and 31 great-grandchil-

grandchildren and 31 great-grandchildren.

There was nothing the king enjoyed more than a romp with those young people. Child-loving he was in a degree. The story is told that once when he was strolling through the park near the royal castle of Bernstorf and saw a child lurking near the door, evidently intent on ringing the doorbell and then running away, the old monarch himself pulled the bell half a dozen times and hid himself behind a tree, whence he shared with the child the enjoyment of the old gatekeeper's bewilderment.

Democratic, too, was the king; fond of going out in citisen's clothing, not above riding in streetcars and omnibuses, not so haughty that he would not stop and talk with his subjects on the street.

When he was visiting in Wiesbaden three years ago, he one day returned to the palace on foot, and not being recognized by the sentinel, who mistook him for a common soldier, was ordered to enter by the back door. The king acquiesced mildly, and later recounted the incident with huge enjoyment.

ment.

The king was very fond of riding and his large figure gave him a striking appearance on horseback. He was devoted to archery, billiards and whist. Many a game of whist has taken place in the royal home with the king and Queen Alexandra playing against the dowager empress of Russis and the Duchess of Cumberland.

The king retained his youthful spirit to the end, although his last years showed evidence of failing health.

At \$5 years he jumped in front of a streetcar and saved two little children

At his silver wedding a committee of citizens, representing all trades and professions, waited on King Christian to congratulate him. His majesty carefully inquired of each one what was his business and if it flourished. One man informed him that he was a pho-

"Are you doing well?" asked the king.
"I can't complain, your majesty; business has been pretty good lately."
"And you, my good man, what is your

"Rather poorly, your majesty. Times are bad for my business just now."
"Is that so? I am very sorry. But I'll tell you what to do. Become a photographer. I've just been told that

On a walk through the streets of Copenhagen one afternon king Christian Time Training of exclanation of the copenhagen one afternon king Christian Training of exclanation of the copenhagen one afternon king Christian Training of exclanation of the copenhagen one afternon king Christian Training of exclanation of the copenhagen one afternon king Christian Training of the copenhagen one afternon king Christian Training of the copenhagen of exclanation of the copenhagen of the c

think of giving any substantial return in good citizenship. The idea of their trying to serve their city in an official capacity never occurs to them. They never think of running for an office in which they could be of service. They are content to allow others to hold the offices and give them the protection

proceeded:

"There are some men who are building up tremendous business interests and whose one idea is to make their enterprises successful. They do not seek the spiritual guidance that is the one essential to ultimate success. I will say this to you men," and Mr. Rockefeller emphasized his words with a vigorous thrust of his index finger, "sooner or later such a man must come to his doom. No man can disregard his "Now it chanced that behind the tent lay a sentry post and by the post was lay a lay a

"Sooner or later such a man must come to his doom. No man can disregard his God and expect success.

"The Bible says, Pride goeth before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall." A man must, in time, come to realize this. There is no escape.

"This life is one long, hard battle."

This life is one long, hard battle. We must fight, we must forever perse-vers. We must be truthful, honest and God-fearing. If we are not our lives will be failures. We cannot carve out successful futures without living up to Christ-like principles. The time will come, if we do not heed his teaching, when we will have to admit the impotence of our own effort. Wickedness, deception and disregard of the rights of our fellow man will work out our bitter defeat."

LEWIS AND CLARK

At Fort Clatsop.
February ?.—This evening Sergeant Ordway and Wiser returned with a part of the meat which R. Fields had killed. The beliance of the party remained with Sergeant Gass in order to bring the rest of the meat to the point agreed upon. There the cance is to meet them tomorrow morning. This evening we had what we called an excellent supper. It consisted of a marrow-bone aplece and a brisket of boiled elk that had an appearance of fat about it. This, for Fort Clatsop, is living in high style.

Country Women Good Cooks

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From the Bend Bulletin.
One of the attendants at the recent Laidiaw institute remarked that a fact worthy of mention—and commented on by many Bend people—was the entire absence of poorly cooked food at the basket dinner. Not a single cause for a case of indigestion or the aid of a doctor. This was taken as an indication of the excellent class of women who are building homes in the Deschutes valley. The Bulletin's informant remarked that these ladies were a cultured, well-bred class of women. It seems good to hear general comment that a woman to be truly "cultured" must possess those qualities that tend to make a cheerful, neat and hygtenic home. Yet is there not much truth in this view? Where can a woman find a nobler work than in making a true home? Then why should not homemaking qualities be needed by the "cultured" woman? The basket dinner at Laidlaw speaks volumes for the future of the Bend country. Given a bracing climate and such flawless cooks, what more can selfish man desire?

Prom the Marshfield Sun.

J. N. Teal, the distinguished Portland attorney, who has been in Washington of late at the head of a committee from the metropolis, beseeching President Roseevelt and Chairman Burton of the rivers and harbors committee to lend a helping hand to secure aid in opening up the mouth of the Columbia, has always had a warm place in his heart for Coos bay. It was through Mr. Tesi's instrumentality that J. W. Bennett of this city was appointed vice-president for Oregon of the National Rivers and Harbors congress, a matter of significance to the people of Coos bay, which recognition is highly appreciated as well as the wisdom displayed by Mr. Teal in making the selection. May Mr. Teal in making the selection. May Mr. Teal is hadow waves.

PRANKS OF WEST POINT CADETS

merrily out. There was not a sound from the gun. The O. G. giared at the detail. The primer had snapped in vain. They were fixing another.

"Pst, it went. The old piece was silent. The march ended without interpuntion.

ction "This powder's no good," said the corporal, handing it back to the O. G. "That worthy spat out an oath and ripped open the sack. It was a subdiness stitution made the night before—full of sugar.
"We always had plenty of contraband in camp. In barracks that was pretty risky, but camp was comparatively safe. One man in my class, though,

was tripped up in a mean way.

"He had got up a great box of boodle from New York—crackers, jams, lemons, labacco, candy, fruit and Lord knows what not, when a 'tac' smelled it out, reported him and made him turn in the whole lot as contraband.

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"Another order was placed at once. It was promptly filled, and, aided by various public-spirited friends, the luckless epicure dragged a complete new supply up from the river bank by night and hid it in the cellar carefully constructed under his tent floor.

"The next morning between drills a

a large fruit cracker in his mouth, and, wisely looking to the future, started out of the back of the tent with it to

out of the back of the tent with it to carry to his tree. Just then, by bad luck, the same 'tac' who had hived the boodle before was passing down the sentinel's post.

"He saw the squirrel. He saw the cracker. In another minute he was in the tent—and the new order was gone with the old."

"One of the boldest cadet tricks ever knew of was carried out when was in the corps. We brought in a bil-liard table piece by piece at night and set it up in an old unused storeroom un-der the second division of parracks. We kept it running for a year.

"The 'tacs' knew we had it on the post, but couldn't find out where it was, until one night when the officer in charge saw a cadet steal out of the tenth division and slip across the area toward the stairs leading under the third division to the storerooms. A stealthy pursuit brought the 'tac' to the billiard-room door just as it closed.

He could hear within voices and the click of balls, but no light came through the carefully blanketed chinks of the doorway. His first instinct was to burst in on the lawbreakers and arrest them all. But as he hesitated a brilliant scheme occurred to him.

"He planned a grand coup for the next night; he would tell all the other 'tacs' of his triumph and in a body they would descend on the wretched gamesters. He stole away as silently as he had come, but no more silently than an unseen form that, observing him start, had trailed him downstairs, and now flitted before him and sped across the moonlit area as he stumbled up the dark steps.

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dark steps.

"The next night the 'taca' in a body gleefully crept down to the storeroom.
They stopped in the hall. Their leader
knocked sternly at the portal of the "There was no reply. He flung the

"There was no reply. He hung the door open. The room was brilliantly lighted. There was the table with the cues and balls ready to play. A dozen hunting prints hung about the walls. But not a cadet was to be seen.

"The surprise party stood dismayed. Then the eyes of one lit on a sealed letter conspicuously placed on the center."

Then the eyes of one lit on a sealed letter conspicuously placed on the center of the table. He picked it up. It was addressed to "The Tactical Department, United States Military Academy." He tore it open. It ran about as follows, in carefully disguized print," and the general road this note:

"Dear Old Gum-Shoe Artists: In token of our appreciation of your generosity in allowing us to keep this billiard-room undisturbed for over a year, we beg you to accept it as a gift. We should be charmed to share it with you, but from the bashful manner of Captain—when he turned from our door last night we fear that you could not feel at case with us. Yours in gum-shoe bonds, "THE CUE ARTISTS."

The Price of Liberty.

From the Philadelphia Press.
While the members of the legislature do not get any free railroad passes, the most of them for the first time in years will enjoy the free use of their own thoughts and votes. And that is a bigger thing than a free pass.