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It is for want of application rather than of means that men fail of success.--Roche-

THE STRIKE SETTLED.

T IS certainly in order for Port land to be congratulated, and to congratulate herself, on the set-Considerable has been lost, both by the parties to the contest and the public, but it is easy to see and to say in entous of a long and disastrous may be thankful that they are well stead of days, years instead of weeks, it was fraught with no lasting harmful consequences.

The interesting question about it now is: What if any good resulted? Is either or both sides to the contention better off? Have the men and oncerns directly interested and the public gained anything? Will such struggles be less likely to occur, will is one of his creatures, supposedly industrial peace be more likely to pre- tarred with the same stick. So are

may come of it. Every such struggle, the hands of such a man as that, if he be under the surface as black as he is made, ought to bring workingmen sainted.

It is incredible that this brazen most of the disaster, of course, but they will refrain from publishing the course.

Both sides in this instance claim have triumphed to some extent, and both are probably right, though it may not be best to boast of it too exigly. Each did, in fact, gain some ints; at least the labor unions ined some; and the employers sucaccessfully resisted some demands. Both sides seem to be satisfied and f so the public, that wants business to to on uninterruptedly and smoothly, ertainly is.

The central, important lesson isarbitrate. Get together. Make muual concessions. Try to treat the then fellows fairly. Put yourselves in their places, and think what you would do then. Arbitrate. Comaromise. Meet one another half way. And meanwhile, let work and business go on.

THE COAST REGION.

G REAT DEVELOPMENT of slope from the summit of the Coast be justified. range to the Pacific, will undoubtedly take place in the near future. That at least one railroad will extend from Astoria to Coos bay along the coast are all the more disappointing beis certain, and no more so than that cause of the apparent ability and conthere will be several roads connecting scientious devotion with which he the coast with the Willamette, Umpqua and Rogue river valleys. This hitherto isolated and neglected region, including Clatsop, Tillamook, Lin- his course of action in that terrible coln, Coos, Curry, and portions of crisis. He appeared to rise nobly to Lane and Douglas counties, will ere the occasion, and to have done his full long awaken to activity and enter- duty with surprising ability and unprise. Forests will be converted into wearied zeal, and if now it be shown umber, lands' already suitable for that he has so grievously betrayed his dairying and other agricultural pur- trust as is alleged, the greater will be extent, and year by year new areas of cleared land will be converted into farms. Settlers will push into this region by thousands in the course of a few years, and the products of forest, field, dairy and mine will supply a large and ever-increasing traffic for the railfonds, and for vessels touching at Coos bay, Tillamook, Yaquina, and the months of the Singles a extent, and year by year new areas of ruin. and at the mouths of the Siuslaw and Umpous. Taken altogether, this is a able to lock the penitentiary door region of great resources in timber, now that the money has been stolen. tands, in the making of farmis, in coal lands, and in fishing

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The Nehalem valley alone long time, having been wrecked near noal.

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THE JOURNAL could support a rural population equal to that of the counties in which it situated. The possibilities of development in Coos county are almost unlimited. And there are many localities now unsettled or but very sparsely inhabited that railroads will make populous and productive. And the vegetarian, 'but now that winter is coming on, you meat-eaters will president at the coronation of King Education.

That is too great and rich a re-Main 250 gion to be buttled up much longer, at the behest of any Wall street mag-

RUEF'S DESPERATE COUP.

BEHOLD, projected suddenly, not indeed from obscurity but with a dramatic bound of elevation, that notorious if not eminent citizen of San Francisco, Mr. Abraham Ruef, popularly known as Abe Ruef. He has gained repute and distinction as a boss, as a marvelously successful manipulator of men in that city, but he appears now as a dramatically daring and astonishingly resourceful general in a crisis. On the eve of the threatened and almost certain indictment of himself and a large number of his office-holding tools, perhaps including Mayor Schmitz dement of the grainhandlers' strike. himself, Mr. Ruef plays a trick in the game that astonishes if it does not confound the investigators.

lic, but it is easy to see and to say in this case, "It might have been worse." has been employed as assistant dis-Indeed, few strikes that were so portentous of a long and disastrous pose of indicting and punishing Mr. struggle have been settled with so lit-Ruef and his tools in the city governthe disturbance of industrial conditions. All parties concerned, and reputation. He has done things. He the great bystanding public, that is a fighter of corruptionists, with a the great oystanding the list a lighter of scalps at his belt. He has at of it. Viewed concertedly and plainly and publicly his opinion of mandering only the time of its octaken occasion heretofore to express currence, the battle entailed a good ought to be in the penitentiary, and deal of aggregate loss, but from a asserted the ability to put him there. And Mr. Heney is not to be regarded as an idle boster. His performances along this line have outstripped his promises.

Mr. Ruef, then, supposing that he is guilty of what is as yet rather vaguely charged against him-and nobody seems to doubt that he is-is apparently "up against it." He must play a desperate game. The acting mayor vail hereafter? If so, then the con- the supervisors. At Ruel's command test is not to be regretted.

Good vibra comes out of apparent evil. There are truly such things as blessings in disguise. Experience surely does not expensively teach altogether in vain. Lessons that cost moves Heney. A big, hold play, likely to reach home and stick surely. For sheer audacity it certainly while we cannot say that the comhat was in itself a good thing, good dangerous thing for a city to fall into

> been intimated that some of them are. Ruef, it will be remembered, allied himself with Herrin in the recent Republican state convention, in consideration, it was reported that Ruef should have the nomination of certain candidates for judges, and permission to work certain jobs through the next legislature. It is the courts that such a boss always seeks to own more than all else, for having the judges as well as other officials for his tools, he is safe; the people have no means of redress. But it is not to be believed that the courts will permit the people of San Francisco to be choused out of millions of dollars, hundreds of thousands, it is positively alleged, going into the pockets of Ruef and his tools. and allow him to defeat justice by such an audacious trick as this. If this can be done, then indeed a vigilant organization, not so much for the purpose of ridding the city of its prevent their enforcement. the coast region in Oregon, thieves in office, is needed and would

The reports concerning Mayor Schmitz's administration, and of threatened disclosures concerning it, handled the situation after the earthquake and fire. Even his most rancorous enemies praised the mayor for oses will be utilized to a far greater his fall, the more conspicuous his

It is hoped that Mr. Heney will be

A Little Out of the Common

THINGS PRINTED TO READ WHILE YOU WAIT.

Three Real Romances.

From the Kansas City World. Here are three real life romances ound in the news of a single day. Take your pick: In Norristown, Pennsylvanis, 15 min

ue for a divorce. In Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania, Agn Sullivan 10 minutes before she was to marry Charles Arner called a friend and said: "Tell Charley I do not love him and therefore cannot marry him." She didn't, either. In Iola, Kansas, 10 years ago C. H.

Gramly met Charlotte Hayes. Only once did they talk. Then he went away remembering. The other day, his circumstances having changed, Gramly, bunted up Miss Hayes and she is now Mrs. Gramly.

From Life. The Other Fellow is Stubborn, Strong-mind Self-respecti Generous, Vain. Hair-splitting, Foppish, Servile, Puffed up,

Puffed up,
Brusque,
Inquisitive,
Covetous,
Selfish,
Rude,
Effeminate,
Fanatical,
Long-winded,
Frivolous,
Pussy,
Pedantic,
Lucky. Lucky. Incompetent.

Whitelaw Reid's Birthday.

Eloquent,

Well-read, Successful

Unlucky.

Whitelaw Reid, the American ambassador to Great Britain, was born near
Xenia, Ohio, on October 27, 1837. He
was graduated from Miami university
in 1856. He became city editor of the
Cincinnati Gazette, but at the outbreak
of the war joined the staff of General
Morris, and later that of General Rosecrans. Aln 1869 he became managing
editor of the New York Tribune, and
upon the nomination of Horace Greeley
for the presidency, in 1872, Mr. Reid
became editor-in-chief. When the
former died, in the fall of that year,
Mr. Reid became chief propristor as
well as editor of the Tribune. Mr. Reid
accepted from President Harrison the
appointment of minister to France. In
1893 he was nominated for the viceappointment of minister to France. In 1893 he was nominated for the vice-presidency by the Republican national convention. In 1897 he represented the president at the celebration of Queen

are also Ruef's creatures, and it has long list of ships that have met their doom while off that splendid "inland

> Everybody is glad the strike is settled, of course, but why the contestants could not come to an agreement in a good deal less than a month's time is what nobody can find out. However, let's not grumble, but consider that "all's well that ends

When the clouds of trouble roll away they are soon forgotten. Everybody along the waterfront is busy and happy again.

It is a bad time-or is it a good time?--for Mayor Schmitz to-be in

Mr. Ruef really does not care who makes the laws as long as he can

And the needed tug, O where was

Letters From the People

Portland, Oct. 28.—To the Editor of The Journal—While the accounts that reach us from the British parliament (the present "seat of war") are doubtless much exaggerated, coming as they do antirely from the armed, or governmental, side of the situation, the shame of the feminine uprising, which conservative equal suffrage leaders universally fegret, belongs rightfully to any government that is responsible for the conditions of injustice and oppression that give ries to the trouble. Wherever justice is, there is harmony.

ABIGAIL SCOTT DUNIWAY.

Knew "Uncle Jos" as a Boy.

Mother, let's ask Joe Cannon out

Legal Problem.

A woman in New York is placed in peculiar position by the will of a Just before her death she requested to be buried in the dress. Not knowing of the will, relatives compiled.

Now the will is in court. The estate can't be closed up until the bequest is paid. To pay it the deceased must be disinterred—or the legates must be paid \$700 in cash.

The courts are wrestling with the problem.

Marriage Colors.

Married in gray, you will go far away. Married in black, you will wish yo Married in green, ashamed to be seen.
Married in blue you'll always be true.
Married in pearl, you'll live in a whirl.
Married in yellow, ashamed of the fei-

By Johnston McCulley. The coarse suggestiveness of "The Merry Wives of Windsor" has already been apparent to students of Shakespeare. For this reason, perhaps, Shakespearean actors have in the past overlooked the comedy to a great extent, being loath to produce a play where the plot and action hinges on a subject that might prove offensive to some classes of theatre-goers.

It has remained for Louis James to get the art out of "The Merry Wives of Windsor." This capable star saw that beneath the coarse suggestion there

beneath the coarse suggestion there was a delicate beauty that did more than smother the coarseness, a picture of times and manners which more than balanced untoward suggestions with suggestions of mirth and the chances

balanced untoward suggestions with suggestions of mirth and the chances for teaching a lesson in morality.

It takes a man with intelligence to interpret the character of Falstaff and his lines in such a manner as to retain the beauty superior to the suggestiveness. This Louis James has done, and in such a manner that we find "The Merry Wives of Windsor" as dear to the heart as the more frequently produced plays of the bard of Avoz. It is no small thing to portray a character such as Falstaff, where the author has left the man in embryo, it may be said. Not in embryo, exactly, for Shakespeare never left a character so, but in such a position that keen intelligence could make a success of it, ordinary intelligence made a dismal failure of it.

Louis James, the annual visitor, became Louis James, the new star, last night at the Heilig. It was a new, a different James with new and different artifices. His work took hold at the first appearance. He looked the part. He acted the part. He sated the part. first appearance. He looked the part. He acted the part. He was in the part for all it was worth. He has done many things well, but none better than Fal-

From Newsboy to Millionaire

Married in pearl, you'll live out of low.

Married in brown, you'll live out of town.

Married in brown, you'll live out of the street town.

Diet Value of the Lemon.

It is not generally known that lemon inloe, taken in proper quantities, is a most excellent tonic. The juice of half a jemon taken in a tumbler of cold water, a haif hour before breakfast every day will stimulate the liver and digestive organs, causing an increase in the appetite and making the skin fresh and clear. If the majority of women could be made to realize that their dill, coloriess complexions generally are the results of the inactivity of their digastive organisms, there would be less use for objectionable cosmetics that never, in the alightest degree, resemble nature.

October 27 in History.

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1840—French frigate arrived at Annapolis, conveying French minister to the United States.

1858—Theodore Roosevelt, twentysixth president of United States, born.

1854—Federals repulsed at Hatcher's Run. Virginta.

1871—Boas' Tweed of Tammany Hall arrested and balled.

1898—Philadelphia celebrated peace jubiles.

1902—Prince Albert made half mile in 0.27%.

The time has come, my worthy friends, when statesmen go to jall.

You're apt to see one any time haled up before the rail.

What fun to step into court where other idlers gaze.
And see a senator sent down to serve his thirty days!

They fisw quite high for many years, but times are sitered now.

They greef us common people with a low and cringing bow.

They dare not look us in the eye, lest we a cop should hall.

The time has come, my worthy friends, when statesmen go to jail!

The Play

By Johnston McCulley.

The coarse suggestiveness of "The Merry Wives of Windaws" has allowate to disconting the injunction and placed under \$2,000 bond. The leading attorneys of Cleveland, at last reports, were still splitting hairs over the fine legal points in the case.

Gold Bricks for the British.

The experience of two people who sarrowly escaped being the victims of one of the American "gold brick" gangs is related in Truth. These ple were on the point of going to the states with \$7,000 in hard to be paid over to one of the swindlers when their banker's caution concerning when their banker's caution concerning
the self-same rogue with whom they
had been in negotiation deterred them.
The opening act of the swindle is to
address from America letters to same
gentleman recently deceased and whose
will has been proved. The letters are
designed to imply that the deceased
gentleman has been, unknown to his
family, affording financial assistance to
some person unknown in the far westfamiliarly alluded to as "Thomas"—
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familiarly al'aded to as "Thomas"—who is engaged in prospecting for gold. The letter announces that Thomas operations have been rewarded by the discovery of a mine of surpassing wealth, and that he has decided to convey a half share of the property to his benefactor in England.

In the present instance Mrs. 8. and her brother-in-law were temped to go to New York and meet "G. James Cromwell," who wrote the letters. He showed them a sample of what looked like gold as big as a tennis ball. Thomas, he said, had 73 sacks of similar stuff, valued at £300,000.

It then appeared that the vein of gold encroached on adjoining property, but the owner was unaware of it. So they had to go cautiously to work and purchase the land from him. The man only wanted a modest £7,000 for it, and

her relative came back to England to get this sum.

Their banker, however, haked ther the reason for drawing such a larg sum, and his suspicions saved there. being duped.

This swindle is tried on somebody of the swindle is tried on somebody with sufficient percentage of successes make it highly profitable.

Creeks and Ten Lost Tribes.

From the Kansas City Star.

"The Indians are the most superstitious people on earth." said a man a few days ago who had taught for years in a Creek Indian school. "They have myths and legends by the score. Some of them are as beautiful and picturesque as the legends of the old Greeks and Romans.

memotional roles. She made a good impression last night. Lillian Lancaster of the pression last night. Lillian Lancaster of the pression last night. Lillian Lancaster of the responsibility of the walk of the last of the old Greeks and Bomans.

"The others of the company are capable supporting people.

"The Merry Wives of Windsor" as played is an abbreviation of what thrown away, but there is retained the central plot in all its spontaneity and in the action is at all times rapid and satisfying. James and his company has succeeded in reducing Shakespeare to the understanding of the average man in this production. The deep truths and beautiful witticisms of the lines are interpreted in a manuer that throws the thought with the action. Nothing of value is jost, and to the contrary much is gained by the forceful, cleancut manner of presentation.

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DIRDSEYE VIEWS

SMALL CHANGE

Everybody works but the hobo.

"Magoon is growing," says a dis-stch. Trying to become as big as Taft

A comic opera chorus girl has been fined for filrting. With the wrong males, probably.

A Chicago man has a new kind o alarm clock. His wife knocked his down with it.

Either times are unusually quiet intely in Russia, or else the censorship has become stricter.

Some southerners began organizing a lynching party on hearing that a black frost had appeared.

A Chicago man wants a divorce because his wife is a witch. Doubtless he is bewitched by some other woman.

It looks as if President Roosevelt must be elected several more times if he is the only man who can "bust the It is curious what a great effort must sometimes be made in the courts, often with doubtful results, to prove some-thing that everybody knows.

A London doctor wants hoboes ex-terminated, because, he says, they are reverting to apes. But apen would be no such nuisance as hoboes.

What an argument it is that if the Republican majority in the house should be decreased a little it would be a staggering blow to Roosevelt.

Salem is soon to have a city election. In order to support Rossevelt every Republican candidate should be elected by an overwhelming majority.

The woman on the front page of the current number of Collier's is not only fully clothed, but wears a hat and an automobile veil, indicating, we suppose, frosty fall weather back east.

of TIMELY TOPICS

OREGON SIDELIGHTS. Houses in Union all filled. Mitchell's school pupils number nearly

Lots of salmon trout in the fillets

The first brick residence of Jose being built. Weston has sunflowers four feet in

Several Portland people are investing Rainier will have a complete tele-

Bigger livestock business than for

Some people around Youcalls make a good living on 10-acre tracts. A Scroggins valley man has killed or helped kill 10 bears this season.

A tunnel of the Grand Ronde Wates ompany will be \$4,000 feet in length.

A Pendleton man knocked a large eagle out of a tree with a rock and captured it. The front name of a Tillamook boy is Brown—as if there were not enough

A Myrtle Point minister has married the 100th couple, and only one has been divorced.

A Coos bay man raised a big crop of cranberries, but has difficulty in getting them picked.

The commercial clubs of Myrtle Point, Coquille and Bandon may form a union for cooperation. Rainier children must bereafter be off the streets at 8 o'clock p. m., and must go to school.

An eastern Oregon horsethief is named Geordge, but this way of spell-ing it is not a legal excuse.

A Smythe & Sons of Arlington have

A man near, Sheridan has a goat ranch and bears like goat meat, but in two years he has killed 40 of them.

A Myrtle Point man shot a blue crane measuring six feet and as tall as a man. Alive, it was a beautiful creature.

A Lakeview boy 8 years old was badly burned with flame from powder that he had extracted from cartridges and lighted. Bad playthings for kids.

A New Era in Street Railroads

BY TOM L. JOHNSON.

The situation in Cleveland is only as for the public, whether in the form of acute and well-defined example of a situation which is being felt in many of the cities of the country.

It seems to me that the fact that a stands out most prominently is that a new era has opened in the popular continuous control of the situation of competing ones, must be at all times paramount to any finding privileges or advantages of a former grantee.

Thus we see in Cleveland the situation reduced to the lowest terms. Thus we see in Cleveland the situation reduced to its lowest terms—namely, that the existing public service corporation is merely a tenant upon the property of the municipality, and that any further favors or grants of whatever nature must be secured by an appeal to the public and the people owning the streats.

Naturally, at the end of a five-year struggle the people of Cleveland are the public service corporations on the one hand, and the public, upon which they depend for their franchise grants and to whom they render service, on the other.

This fact is the most important on

This fact is the most important one, in that it has forced in Claveland an admission on the part of the street railway company that it is to the public in general that public service corporations must in the future look for further privileges.

Two recent events in Cleveland emphasize this new relationship. The first is that the present railroad company, in seeking a new grant of privilege in the streets, has voluntarily appealed to a vote of the people, agreeing to submit to the people the terms upon which the grant is to be made.

The second is the announcement of The second is the announcement of a broad legal doctrine by the courts. The railway company has in times past op-posed the granting of franchises to a low-fare company; first by seeking po-litical control, and later by a mass of legislation, all being directed to techni-calities and taking advantage of every quirk in the laws.

As fast as the low-fare franchises were found to be technically faulty the council of Cleveland has given new low-fare grants curing the defects.

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The last ditch of the company seeking to maintain a monopoly of the streets came in the announcement of the dectrine that the existing railroad had a property right in the streets, and that the grant of a frauchise carried with it certain implied advantages running beyond the term of the grant; also that this property right amounted to an implication of the exclusive right in the streets.

A learned judge, in a most carefully prepared decision, has announced the principle that there can be no property rights in the streets except the rights to be found in a strictly construed franchise grant; and that the use and benefit of the streets by the public and legitimate invested capital.

The great productiveness of the ruins of Babylon in the way of ancient ceins has aroused the suspicions of visitors an American who was going around with a guide became distrustful of the ease with which these relies could be disintered. Accordingly he remarked to his guide while they were searching

direct the council to do their will, and political graft and corruption must be materially lessened.

It may be possible to corrupt a small body of lawmakers, but it is hardly possible to corrupt the public at large.

Grant franchises on condition that the books of public service corporations must be open at all times to public sorutiny, and campaign contributions and lobby funds cannot be hidden.

Have the books open and the public informed as to use cost of construction, maintenance and operation, and the public informed as to use cost of construction, maintenance and operation, and the public will know whether or not the rates which it pays for services are fair.

As far as I have seen, I believe that the public of Cleveland are most jealous in guarding the rights of invested capital, but I believe that they can no longer be deceived by watered stocks and bonds.

I believe that out of this struggle

struggle the people of Cleveland are perhaps more highly educated in the matter of franchise values and char-acter of public service than are any other people in the country.

The two great events that have grown up around the granting of special privileges to great public service corporations have been political activity, resulting in the debauching of public service, and overcapitalisation, resulting in unfair and excessive rates and manager extension of services.

and meager extension of service.

Take the right to grant franchises worth millions from the council, or rather put it back in the first instance to the people themselves that they may direct the council to do their will, and

p his divining red and told them which about the tower of Nimrod that he np his divining red and told them which direction to pursue. They followed this rod from a warm country to a cold sea on which they set sail. The sea was crossed and then they traveled toward the south again.

'The Creeks have a covenant of their tribe which is kept with the chiefs. No one but the elect is ever permitted to see this guarantee of the genuineness of the Creek faith and origin.'

Carnegie Spelling.

From the Pittsburg Post.

"How did you like the new preacher?"

"Pretty well. He runs a good deal to the bisarre."

"Well, if he can't raise funds in no other way I don't bisme him fer givin' an occasional fair."