Tales the Reporter Tells

new the Chicago Editors Do Not Lie Awake Nights Thinking of Schemes to Make It Pleasant for Embryo Journalists.

Having spent my youthful days in of the big dailles what a mistake breaking the monontony of a dull exfrom my pen I knew that the outer didn't come out and exhibit myself. sition as a printer's "devil" on a Tex-I use the word -"tracks" tion, for my funds gave out long betracks are so deep at times that it is spring the "show me" chestnut.

had been called to a new field. After no time in applying for a situation. I had interviewed the editors of several Chicago newspapers relative to obtaining a position, I reached the ces E. Norton, whose brother murconclusion that they didn't care whether I had been '-called" or not. There was nothing doing in the work the only thing that separated me from starvation I decided to look for a position on one of the smaller publications until I could show the editors

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This paper, the Ravenswood News. was owned and edited by Mrs. Frandered President Garfield. On the week of my arrival in Chicago, Mrs. a high-handed husband, to one who Norton had fallen from a street car line on the dailies, and as a job was and broken a limb. She was unable Witness the story of the wooling of to direct the management of her paper, and, therefore, must employ an editor. After convincing her that I was familiar with every detail of the weekly newspaper game, from operdriving off persistent bil collectors by threatening to knock their blocks off I had no spare change for investment engaged me at the magnificent salary of \$6 a week and room. The newspaper office was located in the baseher to get about the shop, she would mit me to enter?" summon me for consultation about Gordanne stepped aside, but as she rapping on the floor with her cane. my husband. These rappings were so frequent that I decided it would be a good investlotted in such small installments that ed in a campaign of education for emin labor-saving, nerve conserving de-

I worked for Mrs. Norton three weeks as editor, printer, pressman and motive power for the press. When I was not occupied with my journalistic, typographical and mechanical duties I served as bill collector-not that I ever collected anything-and, on the maid's day out, I would buy the day's provisions from the corner Just A Medium Sized Duck grocery store. I liked the job. Although I was not getting much coin of the realm, I was getting a wealth of experience. I figured that this sort of a career would lead to success if I didn't starve to death in the mean-

Just how many days I would have worked for the Ravenswood News had not a newspaper trust reached out and grabbed the publication, I am unable to say, but the fact remains that the trust gobbled up me in the bargain and I stepped into my new position on the North Shore Mirror at an advance of \$1.50 a week in salary. This paper was the consolidated effort of the three weekly papers of Ravenswood, and was three times as bad as any one of them had been prior to the consolidation. One of the proprietors had previously attracted considerable attention in the remote sections as an entarged-picture faker; the other was a promoter. They were a promising pair. In fact, they would promise anything to the employes, many of whom got richon promises. Being the only newspaper and printing office in Ravenswood, however, they were certain to get some business, and they did. After cornering all the printing in that section of the city, they began to branch out. A down-town job of printing worth several hundred dollars to the paper was obtained. When this job was completed the picture agent collected the cash for it and vanished. Pay days were again postponed for several weeks.

The turn of events so amused me that I sat down and wrote a story on the trials and tribulations of the suburban newspaper office, submitting my manuscript to one of the downtown dailies. The editor accepted the story and the check of \$12 in payment for it was accompanied by an offer of a position on the staff at \$18 a week. Did I accept it Does a hun-

Shortly after the one partner vanished the other became so hardpressed with bills that he was forced to sacrifice the printing establishment, and Ravenswood's news dispensers ceased to exist. The Chicago Journalist, a monthly publication for newspaper men, purchased the mechanical equipment, and the plant which was once used to discourage newspaper men is now being employed i na campaign of education for embryo journalists.-St. Paul Pioneer

KAISER HAS CANDIDATE FOR ALBANIAN THRONE

Favors Prince Hugh Zu Windisch Gratz, Who Recently Married

Princess Lotti of Furstenburg. Vienna.-The wedding of pretty Princess Lotti of Furstenburg and Prince Hugo Zo Windisch Gratz at Bonausehingen last Tuesday, in the presence of Kaiser Wilhelm, may possibly be followed by a coronation.

It is said on good authority that the emperor's presence was intended to give prestige to the prince and princess, whom he has in view for

the throne of Albania, the new kingdom now forming as a result of the allies victories.

The kaiser is fond of Princess Lotti, who, besides being beautiful and 20 years old, is related to the royal families of Hoenzollern, Hapsburg and Wurtemburg and the grand ducal family of Baden.

Prince Hugo, the dashing lieutenant in the Austrian artillery, would be the choice of Emperor Francis Joseph as well as the kaiser, while the other powers are not unfavorable to the plan. The prince, however, is not a member of any of the ruling dynasties, and in the ordinary course of Austrian mobilization, would be compelled to turn from his bride in on the aristocratic North side I the middle of his honeymoon to do military duty.

There was of course, no question of the prince being the future king of Albania when Princess Lotti decided to give her hand to a mere lieucating liquors to be sold within the tenant. It was a love match and the princess did not stop to consider dif-

The wedding was a gorgeous afcastle of the Furstenburgs, the park ly relatives each sent a representative

MONTENEGRIN WOMEN LIKE MASTERFUL MEN

Paris.-The Montenegrin woman wishes not only to be mother of men, but the wife of a man. She holds to will be master of his own house. Gordanne, as told in the "Revue Hebdomadaire."

Gordanne was the beautiful daughter of an innkeeper. Her suitors were many and it was time for her to ating a Washington hand press to wed. She promised to make her choice between three suiters and summoned them all to her father's house. In the afternoon, standing in the doorway, she awaited their coming. First came a youthful gloved and cravatted, who during a weekend at ment of Mrs. Norton's house. Her Cattaro had acquired the elegances of room was just above the office and city life. "Excuse me," he said po- naught were so pleased by their reas her injured limb did not permit litely doffing his hat, "will you per-

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The second, a comfortable farmer, Duke and Duchess have received a was less mannerly. "Let me in," he number of letters from prominent ment of my first week's salary to pur- said, pushing past the girl, "Neither Americans, inviting them to repeat the chase an electric call bell. I changed shall you call me wife," said the girl, visit, and the Goernor-General has The third said not a word, but indicated that if he goes at all he will

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