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A DANGEROUS MAN. Inventor and Maker of Explosives-

George Holgate, the great and only concocter of dynamite all easy to make. I smiled the apparent difference of opinion schemes in this country, and the other day when I saw how the painventor and maker of half of the pers described the machine found tion. The difference is more apmysterious explosive macines that in Norway as being of extremely parent than real, and should the find their way across the ocean, ingenious make. I could have made any of them." and the one deposited by the same unaccountable process under the English government buildings, recently left Philadelphia for the Rocky mountains. His object in going to the Rocky mountains. is to find a lonely spot. His purpose in finding a lonely spot is to cred and seized by the police?" exclude himself from inquisitive observation, and his idea in se- police think they have found all considering infant industries, but questering himself where the eye the places where these infer- will not have much mercy for the of the curious shall not dwell upon nal machines are manufactured. monopolies that have grown so him is to perform certain experi- They are badly mistaken. I formidable under the fostering

ments. dozen or so of infernal machines, them."

each of a different pattern and style of ugliness, but all evidently zerott?" ready and anxious to do the deadly ing man, with light hair and mus- before. Of course he will not do Y. Herald. tache, and sharp, steel-blue eyes, any of the heavy business at the which are always on the go, seem- coronation. All he will have to ingly intent upon seeing every- do is to mix his powders and thing that is to be seen above make his machines. Others will board or under.

"I understand that you are going to follow Mezzoroff to Mos- van Rossa?" cow," replied the reporter.

"That is not so. I am going to His head is level, I guess, but his leave the city, however, to-night. schemes I can't say so much for. I start for some spot among the Some of them are very queerly Rocky mountains where I can pur- got up." sue certain experiments unmolested. I could do it just an well this city displaying any unusual here, perhaps, but I do not wish activity?" to disturb the neighbors."

smiled in an appreciative way. tariff will come to the front and demand a more effective settle "Do you make more than one ment than it has yet had. I do kind of infernal machines?" "Yes; lots of kinds. They are

not attach much importance to the among democrats on this quesnecessity come for the democratic party to deal finally with the ques-

"What do the infernal machines tion of raising a revenue by the cost on an average?" imposition of a tariff, I think the

"About \$6. That is what those party will be found a unit. It is quite certain that the democrats in England sell for?" "Had you ever seen the Birmgenerally will not broadly advo-

ingham factory, recently discovcate protection as the republican party has done and is doing. We "I know its location well. The will recognize the necessity of learned my trade in Birmingham. care of a protective policy. I have

A reporter of the Inquirer found There have been shops of this upon a review of the whole queshim busy making preparations for sort there for thirty years unknown tion, come to the conclusion that his departure. Deadly poisons to the authorities. The city is the tariff is not the stambling were being bottled up, ganpowder now swarming with them. I can block that will be in the way of was stored away in kegs, nitro- put my figers on a dozen. The political ascendancy of the demoglycerine in bottles and a half- country around there is full of cratic party. I am in favor of a still larger reduction of the reve-

"What is your opinion of Mez- nue than congress has yet made. I think there should certainly be a

"He has a thorough knowledge further reduction of \$100,000,000. work for which they were invent- of applied chemistry. I do not That could be done, in my judged, were being tucked one by one think the Russian authorities can ment, without seriously abridging in a big calfskin trunk. Holgate keep him out of Moscow or St. the effectiveness of any of the deis a pleasant-faced, harmeless-look- Petersburg. He has fooled them partments of the government.--N.

> Some statements about a combination to control the political future of Illinois are made in the Times of Chicago. According to the article it prints Senator Logan "What do you think of O'Dono-

and Cullam and General Oglesby have entered into a coalition "Personally, he is a nice fellow. which has for its object the election of Logan to the presidency and of Oglesby to the governor-

ship. The only obstacle in the way is Mr. Hamilton, the present occupant of the executive chair. He is young and ambitious, and would not be likely to consent to any arrangement which would



Astorian.



"What are these experiments?" "I have discovered an explo- rect from me, so I can't really say sive far more powerful than powder or nitro-glycerine, and not half so dangerous to handle."

"What is this wonderful compound like?"

"That is my secret."

"What is your object in making it?"

"Ah," said Holgate, "that is again my secret. However I can give you some idea of it. I have been experimenting for some months in this direction. I think I have at last found an explosive the most powerful known. It is in the shape of a powder of a dark color, and somewhat resembles gunpowder, although of much finer texture. It explodes the same as any other similar compounded powder or nitroglycerine. It can be used in a gun with a cap or in an infernal machine. As ful?".

near as I have been able to calcuas powerful as nitro-glycerine, and ample?"

can be manufactured for less than half the price. My object in making the powder, however, was to get an explosive which could be used in mines for blasting purposes or for blowing up whatever may be desired."

"It would, no doubt, be especially handy in blowing up large buildings?"

"Yes. I think it would be success in that direction."

"Are you going to send any of this powder to England Russia?"

"I shall sell it and perhaps some of it may go across the ocean. Who can tell? But I shall not Ex-Gov. Hepdricks on the Tariff Question. know where it goes or who buys it."

"Have you never disposed of the Irish Nationalists?"

"My dear sir, I never deal with very live question in politics for "My dear sir, I never deal with corporations or associations. My business is conducted altogether with one individual—sometimes of a tariff for revenue only. It is, with one individual-sometimes of a tariff for revenue only. It is, two. I never ask after my ma- however, not regarded as one of chines after I have sold them to the vital questions of the day. So these individuals. It is none of much depends in a matter of this my business where they go. To sort on whether the business cominquire might be troublesome, munity are prospering or not. If you know," and the inventor we have trade reverses then the Bi and 23 Chilfornia St. San Francisco.

machines they don't get them diwhat they are doing."

"Are the Irish nationalists in

"I don't know. If they buy my

use them."

"Do you approve of the course of the Fenians and Nationalists across the seas?"

"I do not think they are rash. It is true some of there schemes have not succeeded, but I think they are proceeding in the right direction?"

"Don't you sometimes wonder, when you read of explosions in Europe, whether they were caused | tucky, is accused of selling pardons by your machines?"

"Yes, but I don't think it would be profitable to inquire." "Making infernal machines is a dangerous business, is it not?" retire with a pretty well filled bar-"No, not if you understand rel.

what you are about. To be sure thawing out nitro-glycerine is not always pleasant, but in handling edged tools one has to be care-

"You have said your new powlate, my powder, which I have der is six times as powerful as not yet samed, is about six times nitro-glycerine. Give us an ex-

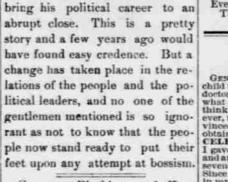
> "Well, if an ounce were centered in an iron box two inches in diameter placed in the new City Post Office, not a stone would be left standing after the explosion. A pound would shatter Chestnut street from the river to Broad street. A can full would destroy the city as by an earthquake."

"You will have lots of powder made in time for the coronation won't you?"

"Yes; lots of it?" Holgate does not seem to fear

the authorities, and says he will return to the city in about a month.

"I am of the opinion that if the tariff is found to work pretty well any infernal machines directly to and the prosperity of the country continues, the tariff will not be a



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into office he ought to be able to



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