THE inhabitants of the Union

spend more money annually for sugar than for flour. THE aggregate capital of the

incor orated building societies of Great Britain is \$263,405,990. It to this is added the capital of the unincorporated building societies the amount will be \$450,000,000.

THE Sound editors are at it again. This time they are calling each other "dudes," whatever they are. The last row over there among the newspaper men came near ending fatally. This one can only end in gore.

THERE is a ridiculous proposi tion being agitated in the eastern press to make Alaska a penal col ony. The idea is too preposterous for serious discussion. As well make northern New York, "John Brown's tract," or the everglades of Florida, a penal colony.

THE Seattle Pres: expresses in short meter the greatest truth that has been uttered in this country since Davy Crockett said: "Be sure you're right: then go ahead." Our Sound, in every sense, contemporary says: "When people are busy making money there is no time for foolishness."

THERE is frequently a large part of a minister's sermon that applies almost entirely to the people who are absent. What is wanted is some way of serving this portion of the discourse to those who most need to hear it. An extension of the telephone system might reach their ears; but would it reach their hearts?

THE critic never had a wider province than he has to-day. The newspaper is a continual invitation to him to shoot his arrows in all directions. Criticism ought not to be confounded with chronic grambling, though the professional critic is very apt to fall into this state of mind. Criticism should be permeated with sympathy. It may be fair and it may be honest and it may be true, and therefore ought to be welcomed. But there is a good deal of criticism, public and private, which is not distinguished for any of these elements.

THE paper bottle is the latest evidence that we live in an age of paper. Car wheels, barrels, pails, washbowls and racing boats are now made from paper, or from a a substance that can be only so named, although it is rather a papiermache than a texture that has been produced by the complicated appliances of a paper mill. The paper bottle is a Chicago invention. It has these advantages over the glass bottle: Less likely to break; much lighter weight; impenetrability to frost; lower cost; no packing material needed in cases. It is, like glass, unaffected by acids, if properly prepared. The only advantage possessed by the glass bottle is transparency.

In New York city is a large printing establishment whose work is well and favorably known to its many patrons. A large portion of its trade consists in supplying labels to bottlers, grocers, druggists and saloon keepers. Over a thousand kinds are kept in stock, while a thousand others can be produced at forty-eight hours' notice. These labels may be classified into criminal forgeries (i. e., copying a label protected by a trademark), simple forgeries (copying a label not protected by a trademark), imitations of well known labels and simple lies. The skill displayed is admirable. The clumsy woodcuts and awkward printing of the Rhine; the inartistic drawing and comical heraldry of Italy; the highcolored and graceful designs of
France; the queer type and paper
of Russia, and the plain, businesslike labels of England are all like labels of England are all counterfeited in a manner that would deceive an expert. As the Dement & Co.

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How a Needle Can Be Driven Through Copper Coin

We know that one body is harder

than another when it is capable of scratching the latter. A piece of class scratches marble, but a bit of diamond scratches glass; so glass is harder than marble, and the diamond s harder than glass. The steel blade of a knife scratches copper, so steel is harder than copper, and it is not impossible to pierce a copper coin with a needle that is much harder than it, says the Scientific American. The problem at first sight appears in soluble, because if we try to drive a needle into a cent just as we would drive a nail into a board, we never fail to break the needle at every at-tempt, since steel, although very bard, is very brittle. But if, through some artifice, we succeed in holding the needle straight and rigid over the ent, we can drive it into the copper with a hammer. To do this, it is on-y necessary to introduce the needle nto a cork of the same length, when, peing held in a true sheath, it will be mable to bend in any direction, and an be given a hard blow in the diection of its axis without being roken.

Under such circumstances place be needle and its cork over a cent aid upon a bolt nut, or even upon a table that you do not fear to injure, and then take a somewhat heavy lock-mith's hammer and strike the cork a hard blow. If the blow be straight and a very hard one the needle will first of our Dipass through the cent, and it will be in Liverpool, impossible to remove it. The experinent may be tried with any piece of money. We should add that success money. We should add that success nay not attend the first blow, and it will be necessary to make several trials; but the fact is real, and we have on hand a cent thus traversed by a slender needle.

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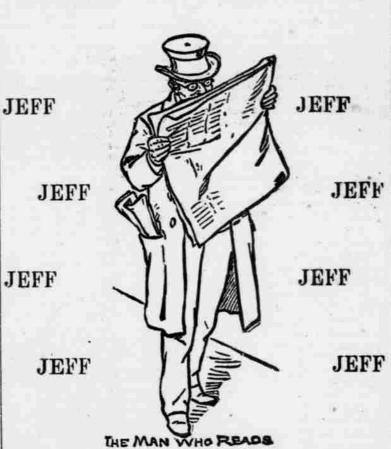
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