

WOULD THE CZAR DIE NOW.

A Young Man of 20 Would Become Ruler of Russia.

Russia, according to custom, succeeds to the throne is along the male line. If the reigning Czar dies without a son, the crown goes to his eldest son—the elder brother first, then his male descendants, and next in order to the other brothers and their sons. The well known Czar Nicholas has no children, but not one of them can claim the throne in the event of his death, all three being girls. This leaves the Czar's brother as heir-apparent. Until recently the sickly Grand Duke George stood next in line of succession. His sudden death left the throne vacant. His younger brother, Grand Duke Michael, in that important place, as he had no children, Michael is the regular young man, of good habits and disposition. He is not yet 21, having been born Dec. 4, 1878.

It should be understood, however, that while Czar Nicholas has proclaimed his brother Michael as heir to the throne, following long established custom, he can at any moment repeal the nomination. Russia has no constitution. The Czar is an autocrat and his law. He can name as heir to the throne whomever he chooses—his son, daughter, Olga, or even her



GRAND DUKE MICHAEL.

It must not be forgotten that the Great named as his successor Empress Catherine who, when first attracted his attention, was a maid of a village inn. In the ordinary course of events, however, Michael would become Czar.

BENJAMIN IDE WHEELER.

Benjamin Ide Wheeler, President of the University of California, is generally conceded that in naming Prof. Benjamin Ide Wheeler of the University of California, a wise selection has been made. Prof. Wheeler has been looked upon for several years as a very promising piece of professional timber. He has been professor of Greek and comparative philology at Cornell since 1886, and he is now 45 years of age. His position as a classical scholar is thoroughly established, and his current papers on Alexander the Great in the Century Magazine have shown the wider public how well he grasps he has upon the great movement of the world's political his-



PROF. BENJAMIN IDE WHEELER.

and also how entertainingly he can write. Prof. Wheeler is anything but a recluse student of the type that lives a life's devotion to the dative case; and he is widely known in New York for his effectiveness as a campaigner and his unusual aptitude for practical politics.

Too Much Culture.

"Aunt Penelope Wiggins," as everybody called her, was visited one summer by a niece from the East, a Vassar College graduate. "Aunt Penelope" was one of the most hospitable souls alive, but she was not greatly impressed by the superior learning of her young relative, and one day she freed her mind about her thus: "Talk to me about what a college education does for a girl! What do you suppose Matilda said to me the first day she came? She said: 'I'm so glad to meet you, aunty! You accent your name on the Aunty Penultimate, don't you?' Did you ever hear such nonsense? I had to tell her my name wasn't Aunty Penultimate, but Aunt Penelope, and she thought she would die a-laughing!—Youth's Campanion.

After all, there is nothing a woman enjoys so much as widowhood, providing her husband's life insurance was not scrippity.

A Good Word for John.
 "What did that man want?"
 "He wanted a correction made."
 "Did he leave his address?"
 "No, he didn't want to."
 "All right; make the correction."
 "Correction—"John Smith wishes it stated that he is not the John Smith who was smelt for booby by his landlady."—Puck.

Look the Same.
 "Yenet—Did you ever take any of those mud baths?"
 "Grimouthead—Well, I ran for office once—Yonkers Statesman.

Still More Counterfeiting.
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True to His Principles.

The exhausted traveler, fainting and half dead from thirst, and all unused to the climate of the tropics, lay gasping.

They brought him a cocoanut, "We will crack this," they said. "The contents will revive you." "What is inside of it?" he asked. "Milk." "I won't touch it!" he said, hoarsely. "I'm a vegetarian!"—Chicago Tribune

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