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A London cablegram reports that appearances indicate that the Marlboroughs "are poorly off financially" this year. It is not meant by that that the duke has come down to smoking two cent cigars or that the duchess must "do her own work," but that the couple have been going at too swift a financial gait and retrenchment is needed. After all, wealth is very largely a relative matter. The man who earns \$1000 a year and lives well within his income is generally better off than the profligate who squanders \$100,000 a year when his income is but \$50,000. The best part of wealth is the easy feeling it imparts, and many a modest fellow gets more of that easy feeling out of a \$1000 income than titled spendthrifts can extract from a million.

Justice Harry Barnes, recently elected in Asbury Park, announces that for two months he will marry all couples free. He also promises, in addition to remitting the usual fee, to give a pair of baby shoes to every child born to every couple he unites in marriage in the two months. He does not draw the line at twins or triplets, but generously provides for what ever may come along and without reference to race or color. The only requisite is that when the time comes the happy mother shall display a certificate proving she was married by the justice in the period named. It doesn't matter how many years hence the promise has to be fulfilled, baby will get the tootsies.

According to reliable European authorities, the colonizing nations in Africa may soon face the unpeepable horrors of a native revolt from one end of the big continent to the other. This land of mysteries and superstitions, of innumerable tribes, each with its own peculiar tribal government and its devotion to the traditions of the inscrutable past, has been subjugated, but not conquered. So long as they regard the Europeans as usurpers and interlopers there will be the distinct menace of a gigantic race conflict, in which the millions of inimical tribes will forget their differences to combine against the common Caucasian foe.

Senator Mitchell and "our" Binger will have to answer in the federal court to charges connecting them with fraudulent land deals. Mitchell says its a d—n lie and Binger says its an outrage. Others high in official life have been spotted and will soon be in the grasp of the mailed hand of the government. A scorching shaking up is the edict that has gone forth and through the sieves of justice, the droppings in the process of filtration may fall on the great as well as the small ones.

In the adjustment of the street opening matter both the city and the railroad company respected the interests and rights on the two sides of the question and acted with judgment. Athena gets her streets opened and the company attains its object. "Where there is a will there is a way" in all affairs of men.

Cassie Chadwick's husband is reported to be modest and retiring in his manner. Well, with Cassie in action he can afford to be.

The Serbian Cabinet has resigned. King Peter had better get in the storm cellar.

Japan took Port Arthur from the Chinese a decade ago. Whereupon Russia intervened and plundered the

Japanese of the fruits of their victory. Now Japan has come into possession of her own. The rest of the war will be fought to decide whether she shall retain the historic and bloody fortress.

The impeachment of federal Judge Swayne, of Florida, is the first to be tried in the United States senate since 1877, when Secretary Belknap was impeached but acquitted.

One of the nicest things about French duels is that even the innocent bystanders don't get hit. Even Wood and "us" could enjoy a "source" such as that!

The "simple life" has its charm, doubtless, but do its advocates mean to tell us that the man is happiest who is simply alive?

It is to be hoped that the bureau of corporations will not force the beef trust men to the wall. They would steal the wall.

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