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England and Germany are in a small and despicable business when they make actual war on a weak and practically defenseless nation, and destroy its vessels and stop its commerce, in order to collect a few debts. Their actions is an exhibition of barbarism, rather than of civilization.—Telegram.

According to the Springfield, Mass., Republican, Mr. J. P. Morgan recently expressed himself thus: "I and others like me are inevitable organizers of the work of the world. Our proceedings will not be pleasant, but they are necessary. We are doing what must be done, and it is eventually for the interest of all the people. When the time comes that the people resolve to take their own they will find the systematization ready for them. We are instruments of the inescapable development of economy in production, distribution and return. You may call us socialists—for that is the ultimate of all we are doing—the taking over by the people of the material of their life. Some time, sooner or later, they must do it, and therefore I am precursor of socialism to that degree."

Real Estate Transfers

Dorimick Hannas and wf to Giovanni B. Tramontin, 1/8 interest in lots 2 and 3, s 3 t 20 and lots 2, ne 1/4 of s 34, t 28 r 13, 158.57 acres, e 2 of ne 1/4, s 4 of ne 1/4 of s 4, ne 1/4 of s 4, s 4 of ne 1/4, s 2 of ne 1/4 of s 4, w 2 of s 4, s 35, t 28, r 13, 319.50 acres, \$1000.
Dorimick Hannas and wf to Chas. Rigosi and John Daprato 1-16 int in lots 2 and 3, s 3, t 20 and lot 2, ne 1/4 of s 34, t 28 r 13, 158.57 acres e 2 of ne 1/4 of s 4, ne 1/4 of s 4, ne 1/4 of s 4, s 2 of ne 1/4 of s 4, w 2 of s 4, s 35, t 28 r 13, 379.50 acres ne 1/4 of s 4, ne 1/4 of s 4, s 3 n 2 of s 4, s 4 of ne 1/4, lot 4, s 2 t 29 r 13, 320.99 acres \$500.
Dorimick Hannas and wf to Louis Cola, 1-8 int of above described lands, \$1000.
E S Spurgeon to Alva O Hite piece of land 10 by 16 rds in s 1, t 28 r 13 \$150.
E S Spurgeon to Emma J Hite Piece of land in s 1, t 28 r 13, \$150.
O T Bender and h to Joseph S Miller, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, blk 16 Border & Bender's Extension of add Myrtle Point \$3000.
C C Peterson and wf to Elson M Peterson 2 acres in lot 3, s 8, t 28, r 13, \$250.
C A Peterson and wf to Chas. McCormick, Piece of land in 4 s t 28 r 13, \$1.
E S Spurgeon to Nelson Lammy 35 acres off w side of nw 1/4 of ne 1/4 s 10 t 28 r 13 s-63 acres s said s 10, \$600.
Ann E Watkins to R W Airey 60 acres in nw 1/4 of nw 1/4 s 25 t 28 r 12 \$1.
R W Airey and w and Ann E Watkins to Sophie Mersen 80 acres in nw 1/4 of nw 1/4 s 25 t 28 r 12, \$1.
Chas Baxter to Ed Jacobson, 1 acre, in lot 4, blk 1, Nosler's add, Coquille City, \$200.
Walter R Spade to Marie L Brown, lot 2, Ferndale Park, \$500.
L S Simpson and wf to Henry Hill, lots 3, 4 and 23 blk 26 Yarrow, \$275.
Andrew O'Conner and wf to J A Armitage, lots 6 and 7, blk 9, South Marshfield, \$650.
Isabella Herron to R B Herron, lots 25 and 36 blk 24, Railroad add Marshfield, \$1.
E S Spurgeon to Wm M Hite and Emma J Hite 4 acres in s 25 t 28 r 15, \$5.
Adaline C Martin and h, Cyrus Chambers and w, Geo B Chambers and w

Margaret Elizabeth Chambers and Sarah Jane Chambers to Chambers estate sec. 21, 23 sw 1/4 of s 14, e 2 of s 15, e 2 of ne 1/4 of s 15 t 27 r 13, \$1.
C H Merchant and w to Laura A Dolan lots 7 and 8 blk 39 Railroad add Marshfield, \$120.
C H Merchant and w to John M Dolan lots 5 and 6, blk 39 Railroad add Marshfield \$120.
J A Davenport to John Peart s 4 of s 4 s 35 t 27 r 13 64 acres in s 4 of s 30 t 27 r 13 \$1
U S to Asaph H Hinch w 2 of nw 1/4 s 34 s 4 of s 4 s 27 ne 1/4 of ne 1/4 s 33 t 28 r 14 160 acres.
Chas A Craddock and w to Verra Sanderson 14-100 of acres in s 30 t 28 r 13 \$450.
Philip Welch and W to Fred A Krile ne 1/4 s 14 t 10 r 12, 320 Acres, \$2880.
Frank S Wallace to C A Reiley w 2 of s 4 ne 1/4 of s 4 of nw 1/4 s 20 t 28 r 12, 160 acres \$10.
Margaret Messerle and h to Robert G Wilson lots 2, 3 and 4, s 4 of ne 1/4 of s 2 s 8 lot 6 s 7 t 26 r 12 excepting 34 34-100 acres \$5350.

ALL GAMES CLOSED DOWN IN PORTLAND

Policeman Stationed in Every Gambling House To Enforce The Law

(Oregonian)
Not a gambling device operated in public in the city yesterday afternoon. Chief of Police McLaughlan stationed a police officer at each of the six principal gambling houses of the city, with strict orders to see that no play is allowed. This means that Portland is to be a closed town in fact and that no games will be run behind barred doors.
Not a gambler was able to pursue his favorite vocation, unless he retired to some private poker-room. Tired of hearing his force abused because it did not stop the gambling, and tired of trying to convict gamblers before a jury, the Chief of Police has adopted measures which will, for a time, at least, stop all public gambling. Instead of the crowd of eager gamblers, gathered about a faro or roulette table, wagering their worth upon a turn of the cards or the fickle bounding of the roulette ball, a solitary policeman, comfortably seated in the middle of the room, keeping guard lest the city ordinance should be broken, was the sight that greeted the eye yesterday upon entering any of the large gambling houses.
Chief of Police McLaughlan was quoted Friday as saying that he did not wish to talk but to act. The gamblers are now all willing to agree that he has acted in a very different way than they thought he would. For once the cunning evaders of the law seem to be completely baffled and are frank to admit that if the Chief keeps up his present policy that they will have to go out of the gambling business altogether. No one is prepared to say how long it will last except the Chief, and he declares that it is a permanent arrangement.
"My men will stay in the gambling houses as long as the gambling devices are left there and as soon as they take them away my men will follow. If an attempt is made to use the apparatus some place else, they will station themselves there. There is no more gambling if I can help it."
By those who have been making the fight against gambling this move of the police is regarded with much favor, and it is generally expressed that it looks as if gambling is to be stopped. By the gamblers it is not regarded with so much favor, but they cannot but admit of the strength of the police position. They shake their heads sadly and remark that it looks as if they were to be driven out of business.
At the Crossroads.
"Yes, he was lynched on his birthday."
"What a coincidence!"—Atlanta Constitution.

DEWEY WIDE AWAKE Has His Fleet at About the Spot.

DEPARTMENT PLEASSED AND CABLES MERRY CHRISTMAS

Anglo-German Joint Partnership Liable to Be Dissolved--Italy Favorable to Arbitration

From Tuesday's Daily.
Washington, Dec. 18.—The Navy Department has received Dewey's proposed itinerary for his vessels during the holidays. The strongest contingent of the fleet the Kearsarge, Alabama, Massachusetts, Iowa, and the Gunboat Scorpion will rendezvous at Trinidad a few days, then sail for Lagayra. The entire fleet is within two days sail of Venezuela. The Department is highly pleased with Dewey's foresight. Moody cabled: "Carry out proposed holiday itinerary, Merry Christmas."

London, Dec. 18.—King Edward this afternoon addressed Parliament in joint session. After a general review, he referred to the Venezuela affairs as follows: "I regret that owing to constant complaints, my government has found it necessary to address Venezuela in regard to unjustifiable acts against British subjects and their property, and that it finally became necessary to insist upon measures of redress."
A Cabinet meeting on the Venezuelan question, is to be held this afternoon. Important negotiations are proceeding

between Washington and London, which may strain the Anglo-German joint action. Germany is believed to have declined to accept arbitration. England is willing but dislikes to dissolve partnership with Germany. It was agreed that they would get together until a final settlement.
America is trying to persuade England that if she takes a strong pro-arbitration attitude Germany will be compelled to accept. England has not yet replied to Washington.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The State Department is inclined to doubt Castro's having given authority to Minister Bowen to settle the dispute. The officials say Bowen has wired nothing confirmatory, hence they disbelieve the story. Neither Germany nor England have replied to the arbitration proposition forwarded this morning.

Rome, Dec. 18.—It is officially announced today that England, Germany and Italy have agreed to blockade Venezuela if Castro continues stubborn. Italy favors arbitration through the United States.

The New Girl.
"Be mine," he cried in loving tone.
The new girl said: "Nay, nay,
But I'll take you to be my own,
You dear boy, name the day!"
—New York Times.

To Start the Inclination.
Mrs. Wodden—You had better not treat Mr. Seeker so cavalierly. He has money to burn.
Miss Flynn—Then I'm his match.—
New York Life.

Usually the Way.
"Did they make much money at the fancy fair?"
"Yes, indeed, and all because the prices were so unfair."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Fickle Fame.
Oh, fame's a fair and fickle thing,
Though still its smile's entrancing,
Yet he that makes a fiddle sing
May set a world to dancing!
—Atlanta Constitution.

Particulars Desired.
Biggs—Say, can I sell you a good horse?
Diggs—Don't know. What is the matter with the animal?—Chicago News.

Corn For the Silo.
Corn should be put into the silo when it is almost ready to cut and can be put in at the time it is ripe enough to cut with good results. Formerly it was thought best to cut corn when rather green for silage, but later practice leans toward the stage of ripeness—just before it begins to dry out and the stalks become woody.
With sorghum we should think that it should also be well ripened before being made into silage, as at that stage the sugar in the juice is fully matured and the seeds are most valuable as feed.—Dairy and Creamery.

It May Be So.
A missionary in London declared recently that in response to an appeal for articles for use on an African farm a milking stool was sent to him from England and that one day the negro farm hand returned to the house with the stool badly battered, declaring that the cow refused to sit on it.—Exchange.

A BOY'S LOVE.

The Symptoms That Mark His First Consciousness of Woman.
"It is deeply and touchingly significant of the uplifting influence of woman over man that the first heart throb of a boy is always accompanied by abolitionary symptoms," says Dorothy Dix in Ainslee's. "The earliest indication that a masculine creature gives of susceptibility to the fair sex is when he first voluntarily washes behind his ears. Up to that time his morning bath, except upon compulsion, has only described a small circle, taking in his eyes, a segment of his cheeks and his chin. A thorough scrubbing he has regarded as one of the tortures of the inquisition, combing his hair he has looked upon as a foolish waste of time that might have been spent on tops and marbles, while brushing his clothes and shoes has seemed a contemptible truckling to the effete customs of society that was unworthy of an intelligent human being.
"Suddenly all this is changed. Some morning the boy appears abnormally clean. He develops a mania for scented soap. His ears are beyond reproach, and if he has the making of a lover in him he begins to manure his nails. He becomes critical about colors and neckties. His family say, 'How Tommy is improving!' and his mother congratulates herself that her lectures are bearing fruit at last.
"In reality it is the first promission of love—vague, inarticulate, infangible, but unmistakable. No man ever realizes his defects until he sees them reflected in feminine eyes. Men do not dress up for each other; but for woman's opinion they would still be going about in comfort and the aboriginal blanket. The silk hat and dress coat are a daily offering on her shrine, and Tommy's newly awakened desire to fix up is simply his first consciousness of woman. He does not understand its portentousness, and he may still outwardly seem little girl, but for him the die has been cast. The disturbing and compelling influence of woman has entered into his life."

POULTRY POINTERS.

Early hatched pullets make the best winter layers.
One of the most beneficial foods for poultry is linseed meal.
The laying hens like a variety not only in the soft food, but in the grain.
The guinea fowl is a great forager and destroys many insects that hens will not touch.
The hens will lay better and be better contented if supplied with a box of fine dry earth for a dust bath.
The Leghorns are popular with those who do not desire to raise chicks, they being nonsetters and good layers.
Poultry farming doesn't take a great deal of land, but with good management the harvest comes every day.
In arranging the perches in the poultry house have them far enough away from the doors and windows to avoid drafts.
Soaked lime placed in the drinking water will often cure hens of laying shell-less eggs unless it is a disease of the egg passage, as is sometimes the case.
The Capitol and the White House.
The street urchins of Washington today would hardly know by the names assigned them on the original maps the two chief buildings planned for the national capital. The capital was then the "Congress house" and the White House the "President's house." The exposure intended for the front in each

building has since become for practical purposes the back. The capitol was made to face east, but handymen pushed up their prices so that the city grew on the west and is there today. The White House was made to face the Potomac river on the south, after the fashion of the Virginia mansions of its day, but is thought of by the American people as facing Pennsylvania avenue, or toward the north.—Youth's Companion.

Women and Their Troubles.

Once upon a time two women were talking over their troubles, and while one was telling her tale of woe the other was very impatient to tell hers. Finally, after several unsuccessful attempts, the second woman managed to tell her story, and as she had the last say she improved very much on the tale of the first woman, in consequence of which the first speaker was made quite unhappy.
Moral.—Some women are more wretched than others because the others have more troubles than they have.—New York Herald.

Mark Twain on Lying.

Why will you humbug yourself with that foolish notion that no lie is a lie except a spoken one? What is the difference between lying with your eyes and lying with your mouth? There is none, and if you would reflect a moment you would see that it is so. There isn't a human being that doesn't tell a gross of lies every day of his life.—Mark Twain in Harper's.

The New French Ambassador.

M. Jean Jusserand, the new French ambassador at Washington, like Sir Michael Herbert, the English ambassador, has an American wife. Mme.



Jusserand was a Miss Eliza Richards. Her father, G. T. Richards, was from New England, and is said to have been one of the founders of the banking firm of Monroe & Co. of Paris. The new ambassador is a literary man and is forty-eight years old.

Calculating.

Elderly Adorer—I am sixty-nine and have \$500,000.
Fair Young Thing—I'll give you an answer the day after tomorrow. I will have to figure it all out in the mortuary tables.

Costly Transaction.

"De mule I stoled wuz only wuth \$20," said the Georgia dorky, "en, bless me, ef de lawyer didn't charge \$50 ter prove me innocent!"—Atlanta Constitution.

A Feminine Dig.

"Mrs. Sniffy is awfully uppish, isn't she?"
"Yes—made uppish."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Firemen's Ball Dec. 25th

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