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"Teacher," she said, "look quick! Jimmie's committin' suicide! He's suckin' his thumb."—Success Magazine.

Calling Her Down.

The little boy's mother had accidentally dropped a book on his head.

"Mamma," he said, after waiting a moment and hearing no apology, "you should say 'excuse you!'"

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Promissory Salaries.

The suspicion that the incomes of stage performers are not always so large as they are publicly represented to be is given concrete form thus by a writer in the Washington Star:

"I understand that the manager is paying fabulous salaries to his leading singers," said the inquisitive reporter.

"Not fabulous," rejoined the cynical press agent—"fictitious."

Getting the Facts.

"How much money did the defaulter get away with?"

"All the funds we had on hand."

"How much did you have on hand, may I ask?"

"The precise amount he got away with."

"I mean, what was it in dollars and cents?"

"It was all in dollars and cents."—Chicago Tribune.

For Any Disease or Injury to the Eye.

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Tommy was studying one of the advertising signs in the car.

"Mamma," he said, "Isn't 'Reason' a funny name for a girl?"

"Hush, dear!"

"And her first name is 'Theresa.' Look at it, mamma. 'Theresa Reason.' Gee! I'd change that name if it was mine!"—Chicago Tribune.

After Twenty Years.

Mr. Peck—This talking machine record is filled with a few remarks by Mrs. Peck.

Oldbath—It's wonderful to think that you can hear the voice of one who is not present.

Mr. Peck—And more wonderful to think that I can stop it so easily.—Judge.

Putting the Action.

"When you talk about the ultimate consumer," said Uncle Jerry Peebles, filling his pipe with the remnants in his tobacco pouch and lighting it, "I'm him."

Declaration Amended.

Arabella—I'm going to marry Dick, is she? Isn't that just too ridiculous to talk about!

Estella—I should say not. It's too ridiculous to keep still about.

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Not a Boston Expression.

She—That's Mr. Ostrom over there. He married a million.

He—You don't say. Well, that beats Solomon to a frazzle.—Boston Transcript.

TO GET FULL INQUIRY

Taft Grants Demand of Secretary for Investigation.

ACCUSED OFFICIAL'S ULTIMATUM

Joint Committee to Be Appointed Immediately After Holidays—Party Leaders Give Consent

Washington, Dec. 21.—President Taft today yielded to the demands of both Secretary Ballinger and his critics for a public investigation of the whole subject matter underlying the so-called Ballinger-Pinchot controversy.

Mr. Ballinger this afternoon served upon the president virtually an ultimatum to the effect that such an investigation was indeed the price of his remaining in the cabinet. He made it clear that he was no longer willing to sit silent and wait for the thing "to blow over."

Mr. Taft, it is said, reluctantly admitted the disappointment of his hope that the country at large would accept as final his own vindication of Mr. Ballinger in his dismissal of charges brought against the secretary of the interior by L. R. Glavis, ex-special agent of the land office, and his conclusion that the investigation demanded by both sides was inevitable.

Mr. Ballinger's attitude has the support of the leading Republicans in congress—senators and representatives—who feel that, entirely apart from the merits of the controversy itself, a fostering sort of a "cover-up" must poison the whole system of the party in power, and that it is high time to resort to the lance.

These leaders, determined that a cleansing of this wound is necessary, have not hesitated to go to the White House and impress their views upon Mr. Taft. Conferences of a confidential character, in which members of the cabinet, party leaders in both houses of congress and the president himself have participated, have been held in the last few days. They culminated today, when Mr. Ballinger, Attorney General Wickersham and Postmaster General Hitchcock met in Mr. Wickersham's office and proceeded to the White House, where the matter was laid before the president.

The president was given to understand that Mr. Ballinger's demand carried with it the endorsement of both Mr. Wickersham and Mr. Hitchcock. It is known tonight that he has the sympathy also of other members of the cabinet.

Mr. Ballinger told the president, it is said, that the situation had become intolerable to him, and that, though the constant charges against him had come from irresponsible persons, he would no longer sit idly by, and, in justice to himself, he felt compelled to insist upon an investigation.

STATISTICS IN GRAIN YIELD.

Oregon, Washington and Idaho Have Wheat Crops of Enormous Size.

Washington, Dec. 21.—The department of agriculture today made public its statistics of the winter and spring wheat crop of various states for the past year. This report shows that 11,235,000 bushels of winter wheat were produced in Oregon, an average of 21 bushels to the acre. The total farm value of the crop of December 1 was \$10,449,000, or 93 cents per bushel. The spring wheat crop of Oregon is given at 5,142,000 bushels, or 18.7 bushels to the acre. Its value December 1 was \$4,782,000, or 93 cents per bushel.

The winter wheat crop of Washington was reported as 20,124,000 bushels, worth \$18,715,000. This is a production of 25.8 bushels per acre, valued at 93 cents per bushel. The total farm value of the crop of December 1 was \$14,566,000, being 20.6 bushels per acre, and the same value as winter wheat.

The Idaho winter wheat crop was 9,137,000 bushels, valued at \$7,947,000. The yield was 29 bushels per acre, and the value as below that of other states, being only 85 cents per bushel. Spring wheat in Idaho was reported at 5,330,000 bushels, which, at 87 cents per bushel, represents a farm value of \$4,637,000. The yield per acre is 26 bushels.

Food Supply Destroyed.

Downville, Cal., Dec. 21.—The greater part of the old mining town of Port Wine, in the northern part of Sierra county, was destroyed by fire Wednesday afternoon. The fire started in a saloon, and as there is no water system in the town and a stiff north wind was blowing, the whole western and southern part of the town was quickly in flames. The amount of loss has been estimated at \$30,000, and there was no insurance on any of the property or the winter food supply that was lost.

One Miner Is Found Alive.

Marquette, Mich., Dec. 21.—Two of the first men who were entombed in the Neguene mine a week ago today were reached tonight. Frank Condello was found alive, and Peter Mundi dead. Condello had been entombed 600 feet beneath the surface since a week ago today, along with three other men. The other men have not yet been reached. Condello was buried in a space only a few feet square, and was without food. He had plenty of water, however, and when taken out he was able to walk with one man supporting him.

Big Strike Is Delayed.

New York, Dec. 21.—Although it had been expected demands for increases in pay would be filed by representatives of 75,000 trainmen with the chief officials of eastern railroads today, no notice of such demands had been served on the companies by the brotherhoods in question. In well-informed railroad quarters it was learned there had been found no reason to expect the presentation of the demands before the middle of the week.

Wrights Voted Medals.

Paris, Dec. 21.—The Academy of Science announced today that gold medals for aeronautic achievements would be awarded to Wilbur and Orville Wright, Wright, Farman, Count de Lambert, Latham, Santos Dumont, De la Vaulx, Voisin and Count Zeppelin.

MONEY TRUST IN SIGHT.

Could Cripple Government by Refusing to Buy Bonds.

New York, Dec. 21.—So close have become the alliance and amalgamations of leading financial interests in Wall street during the last three months that almost the absolute control of the country's financial affairs is now centralized in the hands of a few men, who are acting in concert. A money trust has come into existence, with J. P. Morgan at its head, the most gigantic combination of capital in the world.

There is no concrete definite organization to this trust, no such incorporation, no elected directors, no list of stockholders. To use the descriptive phrase of the financial world, it is simply a "community of interest."

Representative members of this community of interest, men who would be directors of an incorporated company are: J. Pierpont Morgan, private banker, its unquestioned leader; George F. Baker, chairman of the board of directors of the First National bank; James Stillman, chairman of the board of directors of the National City bank; William Rockefeller, vice-president of the Standard Oil company; Henry C. Friek, capitalist; William K. Vanderbilt, as representative of his family interest.

It would be impossible to figure the total of direct and indirect capital now centralized in this money trust. To be given, the banking firm of J. Pierpont Morgan & Co., being a private partnership, makes no public reports, but report places its deposits at \$160,000,000, which its directors can utilize to advantage in financial operations. The assets of the three insurance companies controlled by the group, invested largely in bonds of railroad and industrial companies, aggregate a considerably more than \$1,000,000,000.

Here are some of the things the trust could do: It could call \$200,000,000 of loans over night and ruin any adversary. It could force any business to such a degree as to cause extreme money stringency and great commercial distress. It could tie up the cash holdings of New York banks by demanding certification of checks for enormous amounts. It could deplete bank reserves in New York by causing shipments of cash to any part of the country.

It could make money rate of interest almost as it chose, from 2 per cent to 100 per cent on call loans. It could cripple the financial operations of the government by refusing to purchase any bond issue.

It could dictate the financial operations of the great railway systems and expanding industrial concerns.

RAILROADERS DEMAND INCREASE

From 5 to 40 Per Cent Raise Asked by 75,000 Men.

Pittsburg, Dec. 21.—The Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen Monday will serve notice on 75 railroad companies east of the Mississippi river that an increase in wages will be demanded of from 5 to 40 per cent. W. G. Lee, national president of the brotherhood, tonight refused to intimate what action he would take if the demand is refused. It is said the referendum vote of the trainmen regarding the demand for the increase resulted in a practically unanimous vote in its favor. About 75,000 members of the brotherhood are employed on the railroads affected.

New York, Dec. 21.—The action of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, as announced in Pittsburg today, was not unexpected in New York.

Knowing that the referendum vote was being taken, railroad heads are preparing to meet the situation, and several conferences have been held within the last two weeks looking to a settlement of the difficulties.

Cincinnati, Dec. 21.—With a referendum vote of telegraphers in the employ of the Big Four railway completed tonight, J. J. Dermody, fourth vice-president of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, announced that 80 per cent of the members had voted for a strike.

Dermody said that while the vote was practically unanimous, the result did not necessarily mean there would be a strike. He admitted that there was little probability of future conferences with officials of the Big Four, who have definitely rejected all demands, but said the question of a strike was now up to the committee of seven, which, with the national body of the union, would settle the matter. About 1000 men are involved.

Elks' Club Called Bar.

reno, Nev., Dec. 21.—There is much comment concerning the trial of the Elks, which will occur tomorrow afternoon in this city, who in this city who is an Elk has tendered his services to the Elks' lodge. More than 25 lawyers will appear to defend the Elks, who have been arrested on the charge of conducting a bar without license. One lawyer said today that the dispensing of liquors in the Elks' club does not amount to a sale, as all the Elks own the liquor, and what they pay for the liquor served to them is used to replenish stock.

French Laud Roosevelt.

Paris, Dec. 21.—The Temps, extolling the election of Theodore Roosevelt as a foreign associate of the Academy of Moral and Political Sciences, pays high tribute to Mr. Roosevelt's political and moral creed and his insistence that neither individuals nor nations have the right to shirk their duty. The Temps concludes: "Peace is praiseworthy, but its desirability has been unduly exaggerated, if inspired by fear. Mr. Roosevelt recalls to our age that 'war is an evil, but not the greatest of evils.'"

Satelli Seriously Ill.

Rome, Dec. 21.—Cardinal Satelli, who recently suffered a relapse from nephritis, was slightly improved this morning and insisted upon a chaplain celebrating mass in the sick room. He also took communion.

His condition this afternoon was much worse. Alarming symptoms developed and there was some delirium. Grave fears are entertained for the cardinal's recovery. Many telegrams of inquiry have been received from America.

Liners Swept by Gales.

London, Dec. 21.—Incoming transatlantic liners report terrific weather. The Carmania, New York and America, arriving at Queenstown and Plymouth respectively today, were all greatly delayed. Four days out they met hurricanes from the eastward, with mountainous seas, which continued until Saturday night.

Too Much to Lose.

Manager of Touring Company—Here, buck up, Miss De Vera; else we shall lose the train.

Leading Lady—But I've lost my reticule and my jewel case with my diamonds in it.

Manager—O, let 'em go. We must catch this train.

Leading Lady—But my reticule had 20 shillings in it.—The Sketch.

What Inspired Him.

"The melancholy days have come"—So sang the weary bard; He'd just been raking autumn leaves Again from his back yard.—Chicago Tribune.

For Old People.

After reaching the age of forty the human system gradually declines. The accumulated poisons in the blood cause rheumatic pains in the joints, muscles and back. These warnings should be promptly relieved and serious illness avoided by using the following prescription which shows wonderful results even after the first few doses and it will eventually restore physical vigor.

Managee compound syrup of Sarsaparilla; one ounce Toric compound; half pint of high grade whiskey. This to be mixed and used in tablespoonful doses before each meal and at bedtime. The bottle is well shaken each time. Any druggist has these ingredients or he will get them from his wholesale house.

Effect of Envy.

If envy, like anger, did not burn itself in its own fire, and consume and destroy those persons it possesses before it destroys those it wishes worst to, it would set the whole world on fire, and leave the most excellent persons the most miserable.—Lord Clarendon.

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Ab, Yes!

Full many a jam of purest ray serene The dark, unfathomed panting throbs beneath; Full many a chef is born to cook unseen And waste his wheat cakes on the desert air.

Comparisons.

Young Husband—Darling, you are worth your weight in—
Young Wife—Gold, George?
Young Husband—Well, let it go at that, love. In the wild enthusiasm of the moment, though, I was going to say portierehouse steak.

Not Properly Coached.

Mr. Tucker (having served the other)—Well, Tommy, what part of the chicken will you have?
Tommy—Why, pay what I always take the back when there's company.

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Dangerous Risk.

"Look out, Hi!" shouted the farmer's wife as the big balloon soared over the farm with a trailing anchor. "Them that say naughts will hook you up like a fish if you don't watch out."

"Gosh, Mandy!" gasped the old farmer as he dropped his rake. "Yeou don't think they'd try to do such a thing purposely, do yeou?"

"Wouldn't trust them, Hi. That tall chap looking down here with the eyeglass is one of them thar Indiana writer folks and he's working on a book called 'The Uplifting of the Farmer.' Reckon yeou better keep yer eye on that anchor."

Some people would drown with a life preserver at hand. They are the kind that suffer from Rheumatism and Neuralgia when they can get Hamlin's Wizard Oil, the best of all pain remedies.

Helping Him Out.

Stagette Young Man—I suppose the first thing for me to do will be to adopt a stage name. Have you a good one to suggest?

Theatrical Manager (who has seen him act)—Yes; I think Dennis would be a good name for you.

The Professor Explains.

"Why is it," inquired the doctor, "that astronomers, whose work must be peculiarly trying on their powers of vision, almost uniformly have strong eyes?"

"My friend," answered the professor, "it is because they have strong eyes that they are astronomers."

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