CURRENT EVENTS OF THE WEEK

Told in Brief.

General Resume of Important Events Presented In Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

A Trenton, N. J., burglar, groping in the dark for valuables, was caught in a steel trap.

Considerable opposition to the exon-

Coast in Portland.

and two of the crew are missing.

San Jose, Cal., lawyer will wed the daughter of one of his clients who has been sentenced to a term at San Quen-

and 500 men have been trapped in the mountains by revolutionists and cap-

A Dayton, Wash., duck hunter car-ried a charge of buckshot in his thigh for a week before he would consent to call a surgeon.

is thrown open to the public. Karl Hagenbach, the animal show

man, is not dead, as reported. Ayeona appeals to the people of the

United States to protest against Diaz' alleged tyranny. The railroad machinists' strike in St. Louis has been settled, the men

receiving more pay. The commercial and labor organiza-

tions are planning to drive sharks" out of Chicago. Four girls were saved from the tide at Seaside, Or., by Captain Geo. H.

Smith of the life saving crew. Chief Justice White of the U.S. su preme court took the oath of office, and, at the conclusion, kissed the Bible.

Adjutant General Lauck of California declares that state's entire coast is open to invasions of foreign enemy.

denies that he "whitewashed" Senator Lorimer of Illinois in the recent inves-Prosecutor Heney would block the

attempt of F. P. Mays and Willard Jones, guilty of land fraud, to escape Six hundred and eighteen school

children were marched from a burning school building in Botse, thinking they were at practice drill. English Tories are bitter over their

defeat and threaten reckless filibustering in parliament.

A boy at Salem, Ore., died of lockjaw earnings. but not the slightest evidence of infec-

tion could be found upon his body. Magnetic brakes, operated by wire-less, have been made entirely success-

aeroplane being coated with ice when he alighted. Queen Liliuokalani of Honolulu now

asks the territorial legislature for a lump sum of \$200,000 in full settlement of all claims against the United States.

and gophers.

Prisoners in the Lima, Ohio, jail as aulted their guards and four escaped. rifle and held them at bay until help

General Hodges, commanding the Department of the Great Lakes, says it would undoubtedly be easy for eign power to invade the Pacific Coast but he is certain Japan does not want war with any one at present.

A Spokane boy aged 17 died from the effects of raw alcohol given him by a trainman.

Roosevelt advised the students of Harvard to go into politices "for their own good.' A Kansas man applied for a divorce

ecause his wife smoked cigarettes, but it was refused. The Supreme court of the United Ireland. States has decided that a conspiracy

under the Sherman anti-trust law may be a "continuing offense." Floods in Northern Italy are becoming serious and many villages are iso-

men, while the government loss was ers. 14, including two officers.

Representatives of the Mexican reb-An Atlantic Coast liner with 300 home.

passengers and a hold full of cotton A mechanic attached to the govern-

ment forces at Fort Stevens, Ore., has invented a safety appliance to prevent large guns from being fired prema-

Canadians desire a permanent peace treaty with the United States. Within the last two years, nine disputes being the last two years, nine disputes bewas \$5,701. The costliest witness was dent; E. A. Cleland, secretary and

UNPREPARED FOR WAR.

ecretary of War Declares United Stat Could Not Repel Invasion.

Washington.-The full text of the Doings of the World at Large confidential report to congress, prepared by the secretary of war, which declares that the United States is unprepared to repel invasion, has been secured by the press. It is the report which the house press. It is the report which the house Its Way. refused to receive in secret, and which was withdrawn by order of the President when this refusal was made known. army is deficient in number and de ture, was in Portland recently to atfective in other enumerated respects. It says that the organized militia also is deficient in number, lacking in equip-ment, too widely scattered, and other-ford people by the government to take fenses are deficient in esuipment and

army, including the Philippine and In-dian scouts, the Porto Rico regiment After the supreme court eration of Senator Lorimer has devel-oped in the senate. and the hospital corps, is 90,790 officers and men. Deductions of non-combat-A Pasadena, Cal., millionaire will con- ants and men not available leaves ap-A Pasadena, Cal., millionaire will construct the finest office building on the Coast in Portland.

A Pasadena, Cal., millionaire will construct the finest office building on the Coast in Portland. ganized into 15 regiments of cavalry, 6 Portland. The work of constructing The lifeboat of the lifesaving crew regiments of field artillery, 30 reginates at Rockaway Beach, N. Y., turned turtle ments of infantry, 3 battalions of entitine ago and 30 men and 12 teams gineers, and 4 companies of signal are now engaged in building the road troops, and 17,000 are organized into on Pumice Hill, where a 33 per cent

The total strength of the organized militia is 119,660 officers and men. Design the design of the organized militia is 119,660 officers and men. Design of the organized militia is 119,660 officers and men. Design of the organized militial militia Customs authorities have discovered an oil painting believed to be a famous mately 86,200 combatant officers and men. Deliand, said Mr. Heidel, will be a rock-surfaced mately 86,200 combatant officers and Europe. It will be a rock-surfaced

POSTAL BANKS JANUARY 3.

Hitchcock About System.

Washington .- Postmaster General With a gift of \$10,000,000 John D. Hitchcock says that everything will be starts on the Rogue River and concekefeller has completed his aid to the in readiness for the Postal Savings tinues 45 miles. At the end of the Rockefeller has completed his aid to the in readiness for the Postal Savings University of Chicago. He has given about \$35,000,000 to the institution.

Banks to receive deposits on January about \$35,000,000 to the institution.

3, the first working day of the new work and building 17 miles through the forest reserve. This takes the traveler to the edge of the park, where the govtions, forms and instructions has pro-gressed so far as to assure the begin-ernment is engaged in making surveys ing of operations.

> pened in each state and territory to miles of roadway in the park proper. nake the first test of the service thorough as possible under the limited appropriation. The offices designated are all of the second class and in lo calities where conditions are exceptionally favorable for the development of a postal savings business. Several of the offices selected are in communities inhabited by foreign born Americans,

ountries by postal money orders.
In the last few days, the postmasters the twelve offices in the Rocky been in Washington at the request of the postmaster general for a conference. Among the postmasters taking part were: Bebe, Coeur d'Alene, Idaopen to invasions of foreign enemy. ho; Harper, Anaconda, Mont.; Emmitt, Senator James Frazier of Tennessee Klamath Falls, Ore., and Cavanaugh, Olympia, Wash.

They were instructed how to put the new system into operation, and how the business should be conducted.

EMPLOYES SHARE PROFITS.

\$2,700,000. New York .- The United States Steel Corporation announced its plan for dis tributing a bonus to the officers and employes of the corporation and subsidiary corporations in accordance with

The leading hotels of San Francisco will allow women to smoke in any part of the building, the same as men.

The sum to be distributed for 1910 irrigation projects under way in the Northwest will soon be thrown open for Settlement. This big tract covers about 73,000 areas. its annual practice.

An aviator at Memphis, Tenn.,
Teached an altitude of 9,364 feet, his serventage being controlling bein

How Cudahy Settled Estate.

A man from Okanogan, Wash., is in tate valued at \$11,000,000, only \$2,000, nals and lateral ditches will be ensylvania to gather up 1,000 cats. Pennsylvania to gather up 1,000 cats, to be shipped West to rid the farms and gardens of Okanogan county of rats for \$25,000 bequeathed to various charges and the farms and gardens of Okanogan county of rats for \$25,000 bequeathed to various charges and the farms and gardens of Okanogan county of rats for \$25,000 bequeathed to various charges. itable institutions, the estate will be next two years. When this project is held in trust by Joseph M. Cudahy. The finally thrown open for settlement widow will receive \$30,000 annually, there will no doubt be a great rush Mrs. William Cudahy, a sister-in-law, for the choice lands, some of which is The 15-year-old son of the sheriff will receive \$6,000 annually for five located but a few miles from Baker. bluffed the other six with an empty years, and then \$5,000 annually. At the close of five years six children of the packer will divide the estate, after the widow shall have received \$500,000

Will Fight Home Rule.

London.-A crisis in Ulster as a re-1,000,000 rounds of ammunition were manifest more interest ought recently.

Even the most peaceful of Ulster men admit that armed resistance will follow United Ry.'s Net Operating Loss, \$5554 if parliament should grant home rule in

Teamster Killed by Striker.

are seeking his assailant among the of the United Railways line to June \$1,25@1.50. Representative Tawney, of Minne-striking garment workers. After he 30, 1910, was \$4,762,052.48. Of this had been shot, Donnelly drove his horses sum the road cost \$4,553,578.69, equipsota, may succeed Ballinger as secre-half a mile before becoming uncon-the integrity and other expensions the integrity of scious. He died later at a hospital. The ditures equaled \$150,373.06. The cost Mexican rebels were routed in a police have no clew to the identity of stubborn fight in which they lost 70 the slayer, but every effort is being was \$40,711.52 made to discover him among the strik-

carrying with it nearly all the inhabi- function of filtering.

Ballinger Inquiry \$13,844. Washington. - The Ballinger-Pinchot Hillman. - The town of Hillman, sit congressional investigation cost the uated in the heart of the Deschutes val-Washington. - The Ballinger-Pinchot tween Canada and the United States Henry K. Love, who came from Fair treasurer. An organization of this sort have been disposed of by negotiations banks, Alaska. His fees and mileage speaks well for a town just starting in cost the country \$531.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND

Benjamin E. Heidel, connected with the office of the Public Roads of the The report declares that the regular United States Department of Agricultend the Oregon Good Roads convention. Mr. Heidel was sent to the Med-

> bonds issued for the Crater road were of yellow pine and fir. illegal the city of Medford proceeded

masterpiece stolen in Berlin some years
men, of whom \$2,000 are organized into
driveway 18 feet in width, while the
troops of artillery, cavalry and infantry,
main road will have a width of 23
and 4,200 are organized for coast defeet. At Pumice Hill, where we are working, there are portions that will cost \$14,000 a mile, most of it being rock work. The contract, which was Western Postmasters Confer with let some time ago, is based upon the unit system and can be continued with the present contractor until it is fin-

The work of the Medford people for a 12-mile drive to the lake. One experimental office will be sion is also being made for 60 to 80

TRADEMARK LAW FAULTY.

Legislature Will Try to Correct Defect in Statute of 1862.

Salem .- Among recommendations to ome before the next session of the legislature, will be one for amendment who are remitting annually considera-of the trademark registration law. This ble sums of money to their native law has been in force since 1862 without amendment, and the secretary of state's force is of the opinion that it should be changed for the protection of Mountain and Pacific Coast states have those who have trademarks or tradenames to register.

The present law allows conflicts with the corporation department, it is stated. It is possible for one concern to register a trademark bearing a certain firm name, and another concern may corporate under that same business Several minor defects are said title. to exist in the present statutes covering this branch of the secretary's department which have caused conflicts Steel Corporation Distributes Bonus of urate an investigation of conditions.

BIG DITCH TO OPEN SOON.

Baker.-One of the biggest Carey act 73,000 acres, all of which is in Bake The bonus will be paid 60 per cent in county. Its 150 miles of main canals are included in the purchase. per cent in cash. Last year the bonus easily the largest project of its kind was paid 60 per cent in cash and 40 yet undertaken in Oregon. It involves per cent in preferred stock at \$124 a the immediate construction of two imcorporation on a basis of \$114 a share held in quantities that will guarantee

for preferred and \$70 a share for the an ample supply all the season.

The Powder Valley Irrigation com pany, which will furnish the water for this big tract of land, is the first company in Oregon to construct its flumes Chicago.-Michael Cudahy left an es- of concrete, and many miles of its cacompany expects to expend over \$4.

Annual Fair Is Wanted

Roseburg .- Stockholders of the Roseburg Park and Fair Association met recently to effect an organization, and 37c per pound; butter fat, 35@37c; have Chiawassee iron, and at the pres- more than he had ever said to Norto consider holding a fair in Douglas Eastern, 31@34c. county annually hereafter. According to the stockholders of the association. sult of the return of the liberal party the citizens of Douglas county demand to power is indicated in dispatches rethat all connections with the Southceived from Ireland. The opponents of ern Oregon District Fair Association home rule for Ireland as part of the be severed, and that a local, fair be home rule for Ireland as part of the liberal program for the coming parliament, have subscribed \$50,000 for war-like measures. Bids for 20,000 rifles like measures. Bids for 20,000 rifles ing a fair annually, it is argued that have already been asked, and bids for the farmers and business men will

> Salem, Ore., Dec. 17.—For the year ending June 30, 1910, the United Railway operated at a net loss of \$5,554.09. operating revenues equaled \$53,-

were butchered by the government at from 150 to 170 men, women and at the city waterworks plant. At the children, were drowned through the rear of the pumping station and besinking into the sea of their island side the filter plant excavation is being ome.

The island, in the center of the Ilo 20x20 feet in dimensions for housing took fire and was destroyed. The pas-sengers and crew were saved.

Pango lagoon in Salvador, disappeared the centrifugal pump, which will draw after a series of earthquake shocks and slid into the depths of the lagoon, gines of the big plant perform the

Hillman Prepares to Boost. la new country.

HUGE TIMBER SALE MADE. 146,000,000 Feet of Pine and Yel-

low Fir Transferred.

Medford - A tract of timber, over 46,000,000 feet in all, was sold by the United States government to the Pelican Bay Lumber company of San Francisco for \$365,340. This transfer is the largest timber sale that has ever wise below the mark. The coast de-charge of the work of constructing been made by the government, with the road to Crater Lake, "45 miles of the possible exception of one in Westammunition, the report goes on.

The total authorized strength of the macadamizing through the greatest ern Montana. The timber stands in

> Jackson county's share of the 25 per Pete, who was holding the reins.
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> "I couldn't find Pete, and Japheth cent of sales in the Crater Lake forest, 80 per cent of which lies in Jackson has gone to town," she explained. county, is over \$73,000. Klamath "Can you get in by yourself?" county received \$18,250 as its share. Money obtained through sales of government timber on this reserve go to

> The Pelican Bay Lumber company will begin cutting the timber imme-"I am my o diately and will float it from Crater coldly. "If I choose to drive you when Lake to Klamath Falls, where it will you are too sick to hold the reins, it erect a sawmill.

> feet of yellow pine and fir that was burned over by the forest fires last what the meeting is for. Do you unsummer. Of this 150,000,000 feet is dead timber standing on Elk Creek, She bit her lip and a far-away look 120,000,000 on South fork of Rogue came into her eyes. Then she turned river and 20,000,000 feet in the Clover creek district. Yellow pine in these "dead" tracts is valued at \$2.75 a thousand and fir at \$2 a thousand thousand, and fir at \$2 a thousand. In all of these tracts there is considerable said, and the words seemed to cut the timber that is unscathed, especially in air like edged things. "Tell me the the Rogue river district, where only truth: is your cause entirely just?
>
> 45 per cent of the timber offered is Your motive is not revenge?"

Extend Experiment Work.

part of the state of Oregon will be ben-efitted by the plan for the extension of experiment work in all phases of horti- were speeding swiftly down the pike culture and agriculture which is now in a white dust cloud of their own under consideration by President W. J. making. Kerr of the Oregon Agricultural college and the authorities at Washington. The plan will be submitted to in the old log-house office at the furthe regents of the college at a meeting nace. which will be held within two weeks. In all probability the regents will approve the plan and it will then be ready for presentation to the legislature.

Marshfield's Show Big Success. Marshfield-The poultry show which senting the Gordons. successful attendance. It was the bury had struck true and hard.

also given by the merchants. Farm Value Jumps \$40,000.

Fred R. Beats, a real estate agent,
The one-sided battle had been fought

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat - Track prices: Bluestem. 84c; club, 82c; red Russian, 80c; val-Barley-Feed, \$22 per ton; brewing,

Millstuffs-Bran, \$24@25 per middlings, \$29@31; shorts, \$25.50@26; take that course." rolled barley, \$24.50@25.50.

Hay-Track prices: Timothy, Wil- out what Tom's holding over 'em!" lamette valley, \$20@22 per ton; East- groaned Caleb, helplessly. ern Oregon, \$23@24; alfalfa, \$14@15; "And whatever it may be, they are evigrain hay, \$14.50@15.50; clover, \$13@ dently not afraid of it."

Corn-Whole, \$29; cracked, \$30 ton. out o' the stock, Cap'n Hanchett. Poultry-Hens, 15c pound; springs, and clear." 14 4c; ducks, white, 16@17c; geese, 12c; turkeys, live, 20c; dressed, 22@ 23c; squabs, \$2 per dozen.

Eggs-Oregon ranch, candled, 45c per dozen; Eastern, Aprils, 32c; EastNorman: if you can't fill your pipe my wire to you would miss."

contracts, the forfeitures will ruin you. "You are a white man, Fred, and a Butter-City creamery, solid pack,

Pork-Fancy, 10@11c per pound. @13 %c per pound. Apples-King, 40@75c per box;

\$10.50@11 per barrel.

California, \$3@3.25 per crate; pump-Chicago.—John Donnelly, a teamster employed by garment manufacturers whose employes are on strike, was shot and killed while at work. The police are easily a big at the bonded debt amount to an additional expense of \$30,654.31. The cost parsnips, \$1@1.25; turnips, \$1; beet @8c; squash, 1@11/c; tomatoes, \$1.25 Potatoes-Oregon, \$1.25 hundred.

to choice, \$5.25@5.75; fair to good, fountain-pen from Caleb's shaking fin-\$4.75@5.25; common, \$4@4.50; choice gers and was carefully recapping it; to prime cows, \$4.75@5; good to and Mr. Farley was pocketing the choice, beef cows, \$4.25@4.75; fair to agreement, by the terms of which the Eugene.—By January 1 Eugene peo-choice, beef cows, \$4.25@4.75; fair to agreement, by the terms of which the ple will be quaffing city water which good, \$3.75@4.25; common to fair, \$2 @3.50; good to choice heifers, \$4.75@ exist. els have presented proofs at Washington that their wounded and prisoners
were butchered by the government

Port Limon, Costa Rica.—At least
tions for whose installation are being to fair, \$4.00@4.75; common to that their wounded and prisoners
were butchered by the government at from 150 to 170 men, women and at the city waterworks plant. At the

As percointed through filters, prepara

3.50; good to conice heiters, \$4.70@

5; fair to good, \$4.50@4.75; common to fair, \$4.04.25; choice to good fat would come bebulls, \$4@4.25; fair to good, \$3.50@4; tween. But there was no need for incommon, \$2.50@3.50; good choice light tervention. Duxbury Farley had only calves, \$7@7.50; fair to good, \$6.50@ to step aside, and Tom fell heavily. 7; good to choice heavy calves, \$5.25@ clutching the air as he went down. fair to good, \$4.75@5.25; common, 53.75@4.75; good to choice stags, his mother's sitting-room was cleared of all save his rather when Tom re-\$4.50@5; fair to good, \$4@4.50.

Hogs - Choice, \$7.75@8; good to choice, \$7.50@7.75. Sheep-Yearling wethers, grain fed, tried to get up and come down here." \$4.75@5; old, grain fed, \$4.25@4.50; said the father, soothingly. But Tom's choice ewes, grain fed, 3.75@4; good to choice, grain fed, \$3.25@3.75; feed-

\$5.75@6; poor lambs, \$4.95@5. Hay fed-sheep and lambs 50c lower than grain fed

PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE THE QUICKENING

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CHAPTER XXIII .- (Continued.) The Dabney buggy was waiting for the Crater National forest, 60 miles him when, after what seemed like a After the supreme court held the from Medford, and consists principally pilgrimage of endless miles, he had crept down to the gate. But it was Miss Dabney, and not Mammy Juliet's

> He was holding on by the cut wheel, and the death-look was creeping over his face again. And this time Miss Dabney did not "I can't let you," he panted; and she

the road and school fund of the county. thought he was thinking of the dis-"I am my own mistress," she said

Forestry officials at Medford have must first know just what you're doadvertised for sale over 290,000,000 ing. My father stands to lose all he

"I must take your word for it," she

"It is my father's cause, and none of mine; more than that, it is your grandfather's cause—and yours."
She pushed the buggy hood back Corvallis-Practically every part of with a quick arm sweep and gave him

There was a sharp crisis to the fore

Caleb Gordon, haggard tremulous, sat at one end of the trestle-board which served as a table, with Norman at his elbow; and flanking him on either side were the two Farleys. Dyckman, Trewhitt, acting general counsel for the company in the Farley interest, and Hanchett, repre-

was held in this city closed after a to his entire satisfaction, Colonel Dux- it was madness, vindictive madness and fell anger. But it was a generous first big poultry exhibit ever held in the county and many fine birds of almost every popular breed were shown. wassee Limited stock, or three several Ribbons were awarded by the Coos things were due to happen simultane-County Poultry and Pet Stock associ- ously: the furnace would be shut down and trouble for some time, and the legislature will be requested to inaug- the show was held, and prizes were indefinitely "for repairs," thus cutting off the iron supply and making a ruinous forfeiture of pipe contracts inevitable; suit would be brought to recover damages for the alleged mismanagement of Chiawassee Consolidated dur-Tillamook-The Elmore ranch, which ing the absence of the majority stock-

three years ago for \$16,600, was sold to a finish. Hanchett, hewing away in this week to John Hathaway for \$56,the dark, had made every double and the dark for the d 000. The farm contains 193 acres, turn that keen legal acumen and a Farley fortunes beyond repair. When The dairy herd and farming equipment sharp wit could suggest to gain time. business must be concluded at the Major Dabney, and took a train for present sitting; otherwise the papers in the two suits, which were already prepared, would be filed before noon. Hanchett took his principal into the laboratory for a private word.

"It's for you to decide, Mr. Gordon." he said. "If you want to follow them into the court, we'll do the best we can. ton; But as a friend I can't advise you to "If we would only make out to find

Oats - No. 1 white, \$27.50@28.50. might as well give 'em the foundry free the conclusion of Norman's exciting "That's the chance you take, of course. But on the other hand, they have. I've been over the books with dinner. Then I was scared for fear

> And you can't fill them unless you can friend to tie to," said Tom; which was ent price." The old fron-master led the back to the room of doom and took his

"Give me the papers," he said, gloom Wolf river, 75c@\$1; Waxen, 75c@\$1; ily; and the Farley's attorney passed bet on that." Baldwin, 75c@\$1.25; Northern Spy, them across, with his fountain-pen. 75c@\$1.25; Snow, \$1.25@1.50; Spitz- There was a purring of wheels in the enbergs, \$1.25@2; Winter Banana, air and the staccato clatter of a horse's his man at the dinner-table Green Fruits—Pears, \$1.25@2 per Vincent Farley rose quietly in his place design, as you like to believe, that and tiptoed to the door. He was in the Dyckman should be sitting two tables box; grapes, \$1@1.35; cranberries, and tiptoed to the catch of the away, choking over his food and listen-Vegetables - Beans, 10@11c per ward and he fell back with a smotherpound; cabbage, \$1@1.25 per hundred; ed exclamation. Thereupon they all When the two passed out to the elevacauliflower, \$2@2.25 per crate; celery, looked up, Caleb, the tremulous, with tor, the bookkeeper rose hastly and the pen still suspended over the signa- made for the nearest telephone. 7 tures upon which the ink was still wet. at least, was not accidental.

Tom was standing in the doorway, per box; carrots, \$1@1.25 per hundred; for support. In putting on his hat he parsnips, \$1@1.25; turnips, \$1; beets, had slipped the bandages, and the sweating like a furnace laborer, though wound was bleeding afresh. Dyckman Onions-Oregon, jobbing price, \$1.40 his chair as he leaped up and backed away into a corner. Only Mr. Duxbury Cattle-Prime steers, \$5.75@6; good Farley and his attorney were wholly unmoved. The lawyer had taken his

The dusty office which had once been

covered consciousness and sat up, with Caleb's arm to help.
"There, now, Buddy; you ortn't to

blood was on fire.
"Tell me!" be raved; "have they got ers, \$2.25@3; choice lambs, grain fed, \$5.75@6; good to choice, grain fed, you mind none about that, son. What I'm sweatin' about now is the fix you're

Tom struggled to his feet, tottering "I'll cut the heart out of these demons that have robbed you. Give me the pistol from that drawer, and drive me down to the station before their train comes. I'll do it. I'll do it now!' But when old Longfellow, jigging vertically between the buggy shafts, picked his way out of the furnace yard. he was permitted to turn of his own accord in the homeward direction; and an hour later the sick man was back in bed, with insistent calls for Ardea.

CHAPTER XXIV. Riding up the pike one sun-shot afternoon in the golden September, Tom saw Ardea entering the open door of the Morwenstow church-copy, drew rein, flung himself out of the saddle and followed her. She saw him and stopped in the vestibule, quaking a little as she felt she must always quake until the impassable chasm of weldock with another should be safely opened

between them. "Just a moment." he said, abruptly There was a time when I said I would spare Vincent Farley and his kin for your sake. That was a year ag. Things have changed since then; I have changed. When my father is buried, I shall do my best to fill mourners' carriages with those who

"How is your father to-day?" asked, not daring to trust speech otherwise.

"He is the same as he was yesterday and the day before; the same us he will always be from this on-a "You will strike back?" She said it

with infinite sadness in her voice and an upcasting of eyes that were swimming. "I don't question your right-but I pity you. The blow may be just, I don't know-yet it will fall hardest on you in the end, Tom." His smile was almost boyish in its frank anger. But there was a man's

sneer in his words. "Excuse me; I forgot for the moment that we are in a church. But I am taking consequences, these days." She looked out from the cool, dark refuse of the vestibule when he mouni back, as some men struck; would not strike without first giving her warning. Ardea had been crossquestioning Japheth about the assault at the Woodlawn gates-to her own hurt. Japheth had evaded as he could but she had guessed what he was keeping back-the identity of the two food pads blackened to look like negroes. It

was a weary world, and life had lost much that had made it worth living. Tom was deep in an inventive trance, with vengeance for the prize to be won. and for the means to the end, iron-But Mr. Farley was inexorable. The shape he had an hour's interview with New York.

A telegram from Norman, begging him to come back to South Tredegar at gentleman with shrewd eyes and hard-bitted jaw, registering at the his breakfast, and with the character-Marlboro as "A. Dracott, New York," had been shut up with Mr. Duxbury Farley in the most private of the company's offices in the Coosa Building. and on the fourth day Norman had made shift to find out this gentleman's usiness. Whereupon the wire to Tom. He caught a slow train back, and was met at a station ten miles out of town

by his energetic ex-lieutenant. "We'll never see a dollar's dividend I thing more than give him a hint," was report. "I didn't know but he might give us away to Colonel Duxbury. So. without telling him much of anything. can force you to the wall in a month I got him to agree to meet you at his and make you lose everything you rooms in the Mariboro to-night after

master and man. Then, as the train Veal—Fancy, 85 to 125 pounds, 1216 place at the end of the trestle-board station: "If this thing wins out, you'll was slowing into the South Tredegar come in for something bigger than you had with Gordon & Gordon; you can

It was ordained that Gordon should anticipate his appointment by meeting hoofs on the hard metaling of the pike. Marlboro cafe; and it was accident or spring-latch, when the door flew in- ing only by the road of the eye, since he was unhappily out of ear range.

The conference in Suite 32 lasted undeathly sick and clinging to the jamb til nearly midnight, with Dyckman the night was more than autumn cool. yelped like a stricken dog, overturning The door was thick, the transom was closed, and the keyhole commanded nothing but a square of blank wall opposite in the electric-lighted sitting room of the suite. Hence the bookkeeper could only guess what we may

"You have let in a flood of light Mr. Farley's proposition, Mr. Gordon," said the representative of American Aqueduct, when the ground had been thoroughly gone over. "I don't mind telling you now that he made his first rertures to us on his arrival from Europe, giving us to understand that he owned or controlled the pipe-making plants absolutely."

"At that time he controlled nothing. as I have explained," said Tom, "pot even his majority stock in Chiawassee Consolidated. Of course, he resumed control as soon as he reached home, and his next move was to have he quietly sandbagged while he froze my father out. But father did not transfer the patents, for the simple reason that he couldn't. They are my property, made over to me before the firm of Gordon & Gordon came into ex-

"You are the man we'll have to do business with Mr. Gordon. Are you

quite sure of your legal status in the

"I have good advice. Hanchett. Goodloe and Tryson, Richmond Build. ing, are my attorneys. They will put you in the way of finding out anything

you'd like to know." "As I have said. I'm here to do bustness. We don't need the plant. Will

you sell us your patents?" "Yes; on one condition." "That you first put us out of business. You'll have to smash Chiawasses Limited painstakingly and permanently

before you can buy my holdings." The shrewd-eyed gentleman who had

unified practically all of the pipe foun-dries in the United States smiled a gentle negative. "That would be rather out of our line. If Mr. Farley owned the patents, and was disposed to fight us—as, indeed, he is not-we might try to convince him. But we are not out for

vengeance-another man's vengeance, at that." "Very well, then; you won't get what you've come after. The patents go with the plant. You can't have one without the other," said Tom, eying his opponent through half-closed lids. "But we can buy the plant to-mor-

row, at a very reasonable figure. Farley is anxious enough to come in "Excuse me, Mr. Dracott, but you

can't buy the plant at any price." "Eh? Why can't we?" "Because the majority of the stock will vote to fight you to a standstill."

"But, my dear sir! Mr. Farley con-trols 65 per cent of the stock!" "That is where you were lied to ore more time," said Tom, with great cool-ness. "The capital stock of Chiawasness. see Limited is divided into one thou-sand shares, all distributed. My father holds three hundred and fifty shares: Mr. Farley and his son together own four hundred and fifty; and the remaining two hundred are held in trust for Miss Ardea Dabney, to become her property in fee simple when she marries. Pending her marriage, which is currently supposed to be near at hand, the voting power of these two hundred shares resides in Miss Dabney's grandfather, and my father holds

his proxy." This was the thunderbolt Tom had been forging during those quiet days spent on the mountain side; and there was another pause while one might count ten. After which the man from New York spoke his mind freely.

"Your row with these people must be pretty bitter, Mr. Gordon. Are you willing to see your father and these Dabneys go by the board for the sake of breaking the president and his son?" "I know what I am doing," quiet reply. "Neither my father nor Miss Dabney will lose anything that 's

worth keeping."

Mr. Gordon-much too small. You should come to New York." "You will fight us?" he asked. The short-circuiter of corporations

"Have you figured that out, too? The field is too small for you down here,

"We'll put you out of business, if you insist on it. Anything to oblige."
"You have it to do, Mr. Dracott. On the day you have hammered Chiawas-see Limited down to a dead proposi-tion, you can have my pipe patents. If you will meet me at the office of Hanchett, Goodloe & Tryson to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock, we will put it in writing." Good-night"

(To be continued.)

FIRST DAILY NEWSPAPER. Courant Started in London 200

Years Ago by a Woman. A woman published the first daily newspaper in the world. It was called the Courant and made its first appearance in London on March 11, 1702. Bevery progressive editors, semi-weekly. It was said that it was issued by Mallet, against the Ditch at Fleet Bridge." Behind, that non-committal "E" was "Elizabeth." It was the imagination of a woman that first conspeed, overtook him. For three days a ceived the idea that man would want to have the news every morning with

> istic impulsiveness of her sex she put the idea into operation. The Courant contained only two columns, but they were devoted entirely to news. For centuries a single copy of a bulletin has been posted on the walls of the royal palace in China, says Advertising and Selling, but that cannot be called a newspaper, and there was once a sort of daily market report in Germany; but it lasted only

a few days.

The Courant's two columns were printed on only one side of the sheet and contained such items as the following: "Tis believed that the earl of Port-

land is by this time at Paris." "Here is talk as if 900,000 pistols were transmitted hither from France for bribing some persons to favor the designs of that crown." There were no pictures nor adver-

tisements. The Courant lived several years, and since its appearance the world has never been without a daily newspaper. A copy, the very first issue, in fact, is preserved in the British Museum. Elizabeth Mallet had a style and a mind of her own, as is apparent from the following paragraph from that first issue: "The Courant (as the title shows)

will be published daily, being designed to give all the material news as soon as every post arrives, and is confined to half the compass to save the public at least half the impertinences of ordinary newspapers." She also promises that the editor

will not "take upon himself to give any comments or conjectors of his own, but will relate only matter of facts, supposing the other people to have sense enough to make reflections for themselves.

Tibetan Penal Code. The Tibetan penal code is curious.

Murder is punished with a fine, varying according to the importance of the slain; theft by a fine of seven to one hundred times the value of the article stolen. Here, again, the fine depends on the social importance of the person from whom the theft has been committed. The harborer of a thief is looked upon as a worse criminal than the thief himself. Ordeals by fire and by boiling water are still used as proofs of innocence or guilt, exactly as was the custom in Europe in the middle ages. And if the lamas never inflict death they are adepts at torture

She Still Lectures. Mr. Tile-Your wife used to lecture before she was married. Has she given it up now?

Mr. Milds-Well-er-yes-that is,