

# WORLD HAPPENINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

## Brief Resume Most Important Daily News Items.

### COMPILED FOR BUSY READERS

#### Events of Noted People, Governments and Pacific Northwest and Other Things Worth Knowing.

The Oregon State Teachers' association is in session in Portland.

Miss Gussie Studebaker, 18 years old, of Portland, was found in an unconscious condition at midnight Thursday in a lonely spot, where she was attacked by some man, unknown to her, who beat her into insensibility when she resisted and screamed.

After an all-day hearing the Interstate Commerce commission Friday took under advisement the question of whether it shall seek to solve the car shortage problem by ordering all railroads to return cars of other lines to their owners immediately on unloading.

Milton A. Morgan, a convict paroled from the Oregon state penitentiary December 14, and a waiter by occupation, was arrested by United States marshal Friday in Portland on a charge of having sent an infernal machine through the mail to James R. Misner, of Albany, Or.

Answering a strong popular demand, the president of police in Berlin has issued an order permitting restaurants and places of amusement to keep open New Year's night until 1 o'clock. This action will make possible the celebration by Berlin of the New Year in the usual manner.

Recent reports from Switzerland have represented the internal conditions in Austro-Hungary as so serious that those governments are prepared to negotiate direct with Great Britain and France, preferring a humiliating peace to what has been termed inevitable bankruptcy and ruin.

Conferences between representatives of the railroads and the four brotherhoods of railway employes in New York, at which were discussed the possibilities of a settlement of the eight-hour controversy, were discontinued abruptly Friday when it became apparent an agreement could not be reached.

In a circular made public Saturday by the military bureau of the War department it is stated that every able-bodied male citizen of the United States between the ages of 18 and 45 years is held liable for service in the National Guard at war time, without further act of congress, by War department regulations for the government of the guard issued under the National Defense act.

Washington, D. C. — One more appeal for modification of the protocol providing for the withdrawal of American troops from Mexico is made by General Carranza in a message delivered to Secretary Lane Friday by Luis Cabrera, chairman of the Mexican members of the joint commission. The Mexican first chief replied to the insistent American demand that the protocol signed by his spokesmen at Atlantic City be ratified with an 800-word document in which he failed to accede to the demand, but refrained from writing anything that could be construed as a flat refusal.

A terrific storm is blowing along the Alaskan coast.

President Wilson's Christmas dinner consisted of all-American dishes.

The Swiss government indorses Wilson's peace note, and freely offers assistance.

France has barred the sale of alcohol throughout that country, another step taken to limit drinking to beer and wine.

Frank J. Gould, says the Paris Herald, has just given \$100,000 for the rebuilding of the English Protestant church at Maison la Fite. There is an important English-American colony at this place, most interested in thoroughbred racing stables.

Colonel William F. Cody, (Buffalo Bill), who has been seriously ill, is improving at the home of his daughter in Denver.

William A. Shaner, a barber in a prominent Portland shop, was shot and instantly killed by another barber Christmas morning.

An overturned canoe found in a slough near Everett, Wash., leads to the belief that three boys lost their lives, as one of the bodies has been found.

It is reported that President Wilson is expected to warn Americans against ocean travel should the peace move fail.

J. R. Misner, of Albany, Ore., received a bomb through the mail. His suspicions being aroused, he tied it to a tree and with a long string pulled the lid open. A terrific explosion followed.

John D. Rockefeller's Christmas presents to each of the employes on his Tarrytown estate was a \$10 gold piece, included in a case, on which is printed "The Season's Greetings from John D. Rockefeller."

Spokane mining district yields \$13,827,281 net to owners, for the year just closing.

The Adams Express company announced Tuesday that additional monthly pay to employes already made and to be made in lieu of a contingent bonus will increase its annual wage schedule by \$1,000,000.

Henry F. Farny, aged 71, widely-known author and painter, died in Cincinnati Christmas Day in a hospital. Mr. Farny was world-wide known as an artist of unusual merit by his paintings of famous Indian chiefs.

# COUNTY RECORDS ARE TAKEN

## Stalwarts Forcibly Grab Documents in County Seat Fight.

Culver, Ore.—Seventy-five residents of Madras, headed by William S. U'Ren, of Portland, attorney for the people of Madras in the county seat fight with Culver, came to Culver Monday, piled the county records in automobiles and sleds and carted them over to Madras.

The action followed the decision of the Circuit court in favor of Madras in a case on which notice of appeal to the Supreme court has been filed by Culver.

Every county office except that of the Superintendent of schools, the Sheriff and District Attorney was raided. Sheriff Black prevented Mr. U'Ren and his party from taking the safe and the current assessment rolls from the office, but other records and furniture were loaded into the waiting vehicles and taken away.

James Wood, Sheriff-elect; county Clerk Johnson; Roscoe Gard, county commissioner; O. A. Pierce, banker; R. T. Olson, merchant; B. C. Boylen, county attorney-elect, and Mr. Roush, a merchant, were among the delegation from Madras.

Excitement ran high in Culver for a time while the records were being transferred. The visitors paid little attention to spectators, hurrying through the offices and taking all of the county property that could be removed. The records were hurriedly dumped into the waiting vehicles and the drivers hurried away before the surprised residents of Culver could interfere.

The presence of mind of the son of Mrs. Lillian Watts, county superintendent, saved the office of his mother from the visitors who abandoned an attempt to take her files when the boy refused to deliver over the keys of the office.

Sheriff Black was outwitted by the visitors after he had placed the current assessment roll in the safe and locked the doors of his office. Receipt books and the tax collection register were taken.

As there are only three keys to the office, and as each has been accounted for, the method by which the delegation from Madras gained entrance is a mystery here. Sheriff-elect Wood made an effort to assume the duties of the office, but retired when he discovered that the bond of the sheriff had first to be approved by the county court.

District Attorney Myers stopped the raiders in his office after several threats of personal violence had been made. He warned them not to touch any of the county property and a fight between the prosecutor and several of the raiders was averted by cooler heads in the crowd. The crowd gained entrance to the prosecutor's office also by a ruse.

The raid prevents the checking out of the retiring county officers by the firm of Crandall & Roberts, accountants, as all of the papers on which they were working were taken.

# University of Oregon Wins

## From U. of Pennsylvania Eleven

Pasadena, Cal. — Pennsylvania's vaunted football eleven was crushed and humiliated by the University of Oregon football heroes in their inter-sectional battle in Tournament Park New Year's day. The score was 14 to 0. Oddly, this is in duplication of Washington State's win over Brown University in this same city one year ago.

Monday's game was witnessed by the greatest crowd that ever saw a football game on the Pacific Coast. Approximately 27,000 were in the stands, say tournament officials.

While the engagement began rather listlessly, it developed into a thrilling spectacular battle well worthy of the day and the throng.

It was a battle that reflected the highest credit upon Pacific Coast football. Penn came west with proud boasts of a diversified open field and aerial attack that would startle the natives. Oregon was supposed to have nothing but some old stuff that was pulled when Pudge Heffelfinger and Walter Camp were singing their booby songs together. Instead Oregon showed football of a superior brand and walked off with the game.

Drive Costs 520,017 Men.

London.—The total casualties reported in the published lists from December 1 to December 23, was: Officers 815, men 36,350. The effect of cessation of the Somme offensive with the advent of unfavorable weather conditions is shown in these figures, which give a daily average of 1548 casualties for the 21 days covered by the report. In November the daily average was 2488, and in October 3452. The losses reported in December bring up the total British casualties since the starting of the Somme offensive to 520,017.

Lost Couple Not Found.

Tacoma Wash.—Despite the fact that passes comprising the whole town of Alder are searching the hills for Mr. and Mrs. Otto Powell, no trace of the couple has been found. The Powells have not been seen since December 18, when workmen at the Powell-Poole Logging company's camp near Alder, on the Tacoma Eastern Railway, saw them about their cabin.

It is believed they went hunting and may have died of exposure in the hills, where there is a deep fall of snow.

Wreckage of Ship is Seen.

Washington, D. C.—Coast Guard headquarters here received a wireless message Saturday from the cutter Acushnet that she had passed through wreckage covering the sea for about five miles west east of Nantucket lightship in the vicinity where wireless calls for help were sent out Christmas night from the steamer Maryland.

The wreckage could not be identified as the Maryland, for which the Acushnet had been searching several days.

# WILSON INDORSES BONDS FOR DEFICIT

## Panama Canal Issues May Be Used for Army and Navy.

### LEADERS URGE QUICK ACTION

#### President May Deliver Special Message to Congress as Spur to Immediate Action on Finance Bills.

Washington, D. C. — Tentative approval having been given by President Wilson to plans for a bond issue to meet a part of the prospective deficit at the end of the next fiscal year, administration leaders in congress are preparing to bring their revenue bills as soon as possible after the holiday recess.

It became known Saturday that they have urged that the President deliver a special message or adopt some other means to spur both houses to prompt action so that the necessary legislation may be passed before the end of the present session.

It has been agreed that any bond issue shall be charged to the account of extraordinary army and navy expenditures.

Representative Hull, of Tennessee, author of the income tax law, has outlined a plan he drafted for consideration of the ways and means committee for separating preparedness accounts from the ordinary expenses and receipts of the government.

He figures that ordinary expenses this year and next will be less than the estimated ordinary receipts and that special taxation and bond issues will be needed only to cover excess disbursements for various purposes, including army, navy and fortifications extensions.

Mr. Hull's plan contemplates the issuance of \$125,000,000 of Panama Canal bonds for army and navy expense, \$70,000,000 under the shipping act and for the proposed nitrate plant, and \$25,000,000 to pay for the Danish West Indies, or a total of \$220,000,000.

Standard Oil Man Says Gasoline Supply is Nearly Exhausted

Chicago.—A note of alarm concerning the gasoline supply of the country was sounded at the convention of the Society of Agricultural Engineers here Saturday by Dr. Oscar F. Bransky, of the Standard Oil company.

He declared that production was not keeping pace with consumption, and that exhaustion of the supply was drawing near. The tension was considerably relieved, however, when it was calculated that the estimated remaining supply of crude oil, visible and invisible, would last for 138 years at the 1916 rate of consumption.

Dr. Bransky said that next year there would be 3,000,000 automobiles in the United States, or 750,000 more than this year. He estimated that Eastern oil fields are 75 per cent exhausted; mid-continent fields 50 per cent; Texas fields 80 per cent, and California fields 35 per cent exhausted.

### Great Britain Battleship Deal Denied by Japanese Authorities

New York.—Denial that Great Britain has agreed to furnish Japan, after the war, with six battleships as part of the price of Japanese participation in the conflict was made here Saturday in a cable message from the Japanese government. A rumor of arrangements between the two nations that might have a detrimental effect on the political and commercial interests of the United States had been heard here and in Washington and had caused grave disquietude. The substance of the rumor was that Japan was seeking or had obtained an agreement with Great Britain under which a group of British-built superdreadnaughts would be transferred to the Japanese fleets as soon as peace is restored. It is said that the number of dreadnaughts to be transferred to Japan was six.

### Submarine Mail to Start

Berlin.—(By wireless to Sayville, N. Y.)—The mail to be carried on the merchant submarine Deutschland and her sister ships, the German postal authorities announce, will be known as "submarine mail," and it will be dispatched to the United States, Central and South America, the West Indies, China, the Dutch East Indies and the Philippine Islands.

All letters for transmission by submarine must be sent to Bremen and must bear the inscription, "submarine letter."

### Yaquis Will Not Disarm

Douglas, Ariz.—The Yaqui Indian tribe, 2000 of which, including women and children, are encamped at Lencho, Sonora, has definitely refused to surrender its arms and ammunition to the Carranza government, according to arrivals here. The Mexican government will continue negotiations in an effort to bring about this end in a peaceable manner, if possible, as "without surrender on the part of the Indians the program of division of lands and establishment of the tribe around the village of Bacum cannot be carried out."

### 10,000 Rabbits Are Killed.

Amarillo, Tex.—Belated reports Monday from the all-Fanhandle of Texas jackrabbit drive, held in a united effort to reduce the cost of meat, indicate that no fewer than 10,000 jackrabbits have been killed in the various drives. Hereford, Tex., reported 1000 rabbits killed and sold to a Galveston brokerage concern for shipment to New York, all dressed; St. Francisco reported 500 killed and one drive in Swisher county reports 750.

# NEWS ITEMS

## Of General Interest About Oregon

### Single Rule in City and County Object at Hood River

Hood River.—Agitation is under way in Hood River county with a view to having the legislature change the laws of the state so as to make possible the amalgamation of the governments of the city and county of Hood River.

It is suggested that a commission composed of representative men of both city and county be appointed to make a study of the governments of San Francisco, and Los Angeles and other similar dual governments. This commission, if appointed, will be authorized to draft a plan.

### Logger Kills Wife Who Seeks Divorce; Then Shoots Self

Rainier.—Because his wife started suit for divorce, W. J. Horton, a logger, Wednesday walked into the store where she was employed, shot and killed her and turned the weapon on himself. Horton died instantly; his wife lingered four hours.

Horton is said to have walked into the store and to have engaged in an argument with her, after threatening her life. Later in the day he walked across the street where he could watch the customers enter and leave the store, and waited until business was at a standstill. Then Horton hurried across the street into the store and shot without a word, two shots being fired within a few seconds after he entered the place.

### Flax Move is Protested

Salem.—E. J. Hansett, manager of the Oregon Flax Fiber company at Turner and former superintendent of the flax plant at the penitentiary, has written a letter in which he protests against the move of the State board of control in planning to sell flaxseed to a firm in Belfast, Ireland. He states that if the move is made it will mean a drawback to the flax industry in Oregon, and that mills at Eugene and Turner must shut down. He gives as a reason for this assertion that the mills named have disposed of their seed, expecting to get more later from the state.

He declares that he has just received a telegram from a New York capitalist who is planning to come to the state in January and construct a large plant in Oregon. In event the deal with the Belfast firm proves successful the proposal of the capitalist may be checked, he states.

### Apple Crop Cleaned Up

Newberg.—Heretofore there has been heavy loss to orchardists in this vicinity through lack of a market for anything but highgrade apples. This year the entire apple crop was in demand, the "seconds" being all taken by the Jones Bros. & Co. factory for cider and vinegar. In addition, carloads of apples were shipped to the factory from other localities in the state.

The plant ground up 1,184,295 pounds of apples, which produced 100,038 gallons of juice. They also produced 40,000 gallons of loganberry juice. This was the first year of operation. They gave employment to 25 men. Additions are to be made to the building next year. They are contracting for loganberries for a term of five years at \$60 a ton.

### Help Limit is Proposed

Salem.—A request to the coming legislature will be made by the State Industrial Accident commission for an amendment to section 6 of the act creating the commission, to remove the present limitation of \$25,000 which can be expended annually for the services of clerks and assistants.

"That limitation was included in the original law," stated Commissioner Abrams in discussing the proposed amendment. "When it was passed in the final week in December, has brought in \$565,000, showing the rapid increase in business owing to the speeding up of industries."

### "Varnish" Proves Whisky

Marshfield.—City Marshal Apperson, of Coquille, at the direction of Deputy Sheriff Laird, arrested E. A. Beckett and seized 96 quarts of whisky, which had been unloaded at the wharf at Coquille. It is alleged that Beckett was attempting to receive the illegal shipment of liquor, which was packed in cases marked as containing varnish. Beckett has been making frequent visits to this county, and is said to be in the liquor forwarding business at San Francisco. He conducted a saloon in that place during the exposition.

### Boiler Inspector Wanted

Salem.—If the state would provide for a competent inspector of boilers, under the jurisdiction and direction of his department, State Labor Commissioner Hoff will say in his biennial report that he is certain it would afford immediate relief to the manufacturer in the saving of time, annoyance and possible injury, and would be less expensive. The commissioner also suggests that the protection of the public from danger to life, limb and property would be immeasurably enhanced.

### Man Kills 908 Rabbits

Prineville.—The jackrabbit bounty law recently enacted by the initiative in Crook county is getting results with a vengeance as was indicated when Oscar Cruse, a homesteader of Near Brothers, this county, came to Prineville with the skins of 906 jackrabbits, which he had killed within the past week. He received \$45.30 bounty from County Clerk Warren Brown.

### Salem May Get Postoffice Addition

Salem.—Postmaster Huestein said recently he had received word from Washington that an appropriation of \$60,000 for an addition to the Salem Federal building will be incorporated in the omnibus appropriation bill as soon as it reaches the senate.

# PRUDENCE

## of the PARSONAGE

By ETHEL HUESTON

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In this new serial of ours we have the story of a small-town minister's family and its struggles with poverty, with hard-headed—and fat-headed—church officers, with temptations of flesh and spirit. We have, too, a picture of its joys, its inspirations, its ambitions—yes, and its love affairs. Miss Hueston, the author, writes with perfect sympathy: she is a small-town minister's daughter; and this tale is dedicated to her mother, who "devoted her life to rearing a whole household of young Methodists." We feel sure you will enjoy "Prudence."

THE EDITOR.

### CHAPTER I

#### Introducing Her.

None but the residents consider Mount Mark, Iowa, much of a town, and the very most patriotic of them all has no word of praise for the ugly little red C. B. & Q. railway station. Mount Mark is anything but proud of the little station. At the same time it certainly does owe the railroad and the state a debt of gratitude for its presence there. It is the favorite social rendezvous for the community! The arrival of a passenger train in Mount Mark is an event—something in the nature of a C. B. & Q. "at home," and is always attended by a large and enthusiastic gathering of "our best people." All that is lacking are the proverbial "light refreshments!"

So it happened that one sultry morning, late in the month of August, there was the usual flutter of excitement and confusion on the platform and in the waiting room of the station. The habits were there in force. Conspicuous among them were four gayly dressed young men, smoking cigarettes and gazing with lack-luster eyes upon the animated scene, which evidently bored them.

The Daily News reporter, in a well-timed, light gray suit and tan shoes, and with eyeglasses scientifically balanced on his aquiline nose, was making pointed inquiries into the private plans of the travelers. The young woman going to Burlington to spend the week-end was surrounded with about fifteen other young women who had come to "see her off." Mount Mark is a very respectable town, he it understood, and girls do not go to the station without an excuse!

A man in a black business suit stood alone on the platform, his hands in his pockets, his eyes wandering from one to another of the strange faces about him. His plain white ready-made coat proclaimed his calling.

"It's the new Methodist minister," volunteered the baggage master, crossing the platform. "I know him. He's not a bad sort."

"They say he's got five kids, and most of 'em girls," responded the Adams express man. "I want to be on hand when they get here, to pick out a girl."

"Yah!" mocked the telegraph operator, bobbing his head through the window, "you need to. They tell me every girl in Mount Mark has turned you down a ready."

But the Methodist minister, gazing away down the track, where a thin curl of smoke announced the coming of No. 9 and Prudence—heard nothing of this conversation. He was not a handsome man. His hair was gray at the temples, his face was earnest, only saved from severity by the little clusters of lines at his eyes and mouth which proclaimed that he laughed often and with relish.

"Train going east!"

The minister stood back from the crowd, but when the train came pounding in a brightness leaped into his eyes.



"Run, Father, Run!"

"A slender girl stood in the vestibule, waving wildly at him a small gloved hand. When the train stopped she leaped lightly from the steps.

"Father!" she cried excitedly, and small and slight as she was, she elbowed her way swiftly through the gaping crowd. "Oh, father!" and she flung her arms about him joyously, unconscious of admiring eyes. Her father kissed her warmly. "Where is your baggage?" he asked, a hand held out to relieve her.

"Here!" And with a radiant smile

she thrust upon him a box of candy and a gaudy-covered magazine.

"Your suitcase," he explained patiently.

"Oh!" she gasped. "Run, father! Run! I left it on the train!"

Father did run, but Prudence, fleet-footed, outdistanced him and clambered on board, panting.

When she rejoined her father her face was flushed. "Oh, father," she said quite snappily, "isn't that just like me?"

"Yes, very like," he agreed, and he smiled.

"And so this is Mount Mark! Isn't it a funny name, father? Why do they call it Mount Mark?"

"I don't know. I hadn't thought to inquire. We turn here, Prudence. This is Main street. The city part of the town—the business part—is to the south."

"It's a pretty street, isn't it?" she cried. "Such nice big maples, and such shady, porchy houses. I love houses with porches, don't you? Has the parsonage a porch?"

"Yes, a big one on the south, and a tiny one in front. We have the house fixed up pretty well, Prudence, but of course you'll have to go over it yourself and arrange it as you like. I must go to a trustees' meeting at two o'clock, but we can get a good deal done before then. Mrs. Adams is coming to help you this afternoon. She is one of our Ladies, and very kind. There, that is the parsonage!"

Prudence gazed in silence. Many would not have considered it a beautiful dwelling, but to Prudence it was heavenly. Fortunately the wide, grassy, shaded lawn greeted one first. Great, spreading maples bordered the street, and clustering rosebushes lined the walk leading up to the house. The parsonage, to Prudence's gratified eyes, looked homey, and big, and inviting. There were many windows, and the well-known lace curtains looked down upon Prudence tripping happily up the little board walk—so it seemed to her.

"Two whole stories, and an attic besides! Not to mention the bathroom! Oh, father, the night after you wrote there was a bathroom, Constance thanked God for it when she said her prayers. And a furnace, too! And electric lights! Oh, we have waited a long time for it, and we've been very patient indeed, but between you and me, father, I am most mighty glad we've hit the luxury land at last. I'm sure we'll all feel much more religious in a parsonage that has a bathroom and electric lights! Oh, father!"

He had thrown open the door, and Prudence stood upon the threshold of her new home. Together she and her father went from room to room, up stairs and down, moving a table to the left, a bed to the right—according to her own good pleasure. Afterward they had a cozy luncheon for two in the "dining room."

"Oh, it is so elegant to have a dining room," breathed Prudence happily. "I always pretended it was rather fun, and a great saving of work, to eat and cook and study and live in one room, but inwardly the idea always outraged me. Is that the school-room there?"

"Yes, that's where Connie will go. There is only one high school in Mount Mark, so the twins will have to go to the other side of town—a long walk, but in good weather they can come home for dinner."

"Oh, that's a lovely place over there, father!" exclaimed Prudence, looking from the living room windows toward the south. "Isn't it beautiful?"

"Yes. The Avery family lives there. The parents are very old and feeble, and the daughters are all—elderly—and all schoolteachers. There are four of them, and the youngest is forty-six. Dear me, it is two o'clock already, and I must go at once. Mrs. Adams will be here in a few minutes, and you will not be lonely."

That's why I couldn't resist saying my prayers—I was so happy I couldn't hold in."

As they walked slowly toward the house, Mrs. Adams looked at this parsonage girl in frank curiosity and some dismaying, which she strongly endeavored to conceal from the bright-eyed Prudence. The Ladies had said it would be so nice to have a grown girl in the parsonage! Prudence was nineteen from all accounts, but she looked like a child, and—well, it was not exactly grown-up to give thanks for a barn, to say the very least! Yet this girl had full charge of four younger children, and was further burdened with the entire care of a minister-father! Well, well! Mrs. Adams sighed a little.

"You are tired," said Prudence sympathetically. "It's so hot walking, isn't it? Let's sit on the porch until you are nicely rested."

"This is a fine chance for us to get acquainted," said the good woman with eagerness.

Now, if the truth must be told, there had been some ill-feeling in the Ladies' Aid society concerning the reception of Prudence. After the session of conference, when Rev. Mr. Starr was as-



In the Barn of All Places.

signed to Mount Mark, the Ladies of the church had felt great interest in the man and his family. They inquired on every hand, and learned several interesting items. The mother had been taken from the family five years before, after a long illness, and Prudence, the eldest daughter, had taken charge of the household. There were five children. So much was known, and being women, they looked forward with eager curiosity to the coming of Prudence, the young mistress of the parsonage.

Mr. Starr had arrived at Mount Mark a week ahead of his family. Prudence and the other children had spent the week visiting at the home of their aunt, and Prudence had come on a day in advance of the others to "wind everything up," as she had expressed it.

Do you think that impulsive, lovable Prudence will make a hit with the saintly (but gossip) members of the Ladies' Aid society?

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

### MAN'S WAR ON WILD THINGS

#### Trifles Seemingly of Small Significance Have Power to Cause Much Irritation.

There are awful little things between two people. Here are some of them:

M43. When tired, the wife has a peculiar yawn, roughly: "Hoo-hoo! Hoo-hoo!" The husband hears it coming and sometimes curls up within him.

M48. Every morning in his bath the husband sings, "There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Emmanuel's veins"—always the same.

M124. The wife buys a quarter size too small and always slips them off under the table at dinner. Then she loses them and develops great agitation. This fills her husband with an unaccountable rage.

M68. The wife is afflicted with the elche habit and can generally sum up a situation by phrases such as: "All is not gold that glitters." Or, "Such is life," or "Well, well, it's a weary world." The husband can hear them coming.

There are scores of these little cruel things which wear away love as surely as trickling water will wear away a stone.—W. L. George, in Atlantic.

#### Economical Cooking.

A quart of oysters contains less than twice as much nourishment as a quart of skim milk, and yet it often costs several times as much. Both are useful, wholesome foods, and in the oyster one has a special flavor. A combination of the two in oyster stew or creamed oysters is an economical way of using the oysters, since it makes a given quantity "go further."

#### Mental Steering Gear Goes Wrong.

Science lists at last explained why automobiles skid, but the police courts have had a good working theory for some time.—Washington Post.