From the depths of a silver mine in which he wielded the pick as a day laborer, obscure and unknown, to a seat in the United States Senate, the possessor of millions in ready cash and mines-and all that within ten short years-has come to Thomas Kearns, a native of New York. The "Silver King" of stage fiction has abdicated in favor of the "Silver King" in real life, for the lurid drama with which Wilson Barrett roused us years ago has been outdone by the tale of "Tom" Kearns' life achievements.

The man who has been received into America's highest legislative body as a representative of the State of Utah has had a most extraordinary career. Brain, brawn and "backbone" brought him from the level of the "hired man," the plodding, drudging "Man with the Hoe" of Markham to the plane of the man of large affairs, the employer of many men and a maker of the nation's laws.

The rise of Thomas Kearns was sudden, and his career has been meteoric He was born in New York in 1862, and consequently is but 30 years of age. From the Empire State early in his youth journeyed out to the wilds of the Ne braska prairies, where he toiled as a mained for some time, and then went the foremost mine owner in the State, a flower group was extended and rechristto Utah.

though less than ten years ago he was | 000,000.

WORLDLY BEAUTY.

For those who can suffer and smile,

If you're worthy of love, you'll get it,

Don't grieve over friends departed,

If lost or living or dead;

Be jolly and bright and happy And you'll find many more instead.

And the world is full of beauty

While the sweetest task is duty,

Though adrift on a barren isle.

And there never was yet a day

As I traveled my worldly way.

-John A. Joyce, Washington Post.

TWO POINTS OF VIEW.

unimated spring song gone mad,

was a miracle of crisp starchness.

book.

"come here."

the yard.

boy, without moving.

last night; I heard him."

didn't know I was there."

pose it does that for?"

to her, and he said:

"That's all."

what he meant?"

lounging attitude.

that college dude."

jack, you bet."

ought to go."

she suggested, humbly,

"Lend me the book."

"Why, she knew!"

"What!!"

gaged."

and then he kissed her."

I can tell you. Then they were en

"Must be a mind reader, then."

"Gementaly! Why, how'd she know

"Pshaw! She knew from the way he

the miniature woman, with a wise

"Well, of all the fools. And he took

a prize for oratory last year, too. He

isn't much like a feller I was readin'

flopped down on the grass with the

on with your rat killin."

That I couldn't see some beauty



BENATOR THOMAS KEARNS.

"crops" in the Black Hills, where he re- finally brought him to the position of

through this association. "Grown people are so commonplace," from the epoch when the Spaniards, at she sighed. "Do you suppose we'll ever the zenith of their glory, made the con-

other claims were acquired and the May-

quest of America. back to his book. "If I thought I'd ever beautiful pearls of the orient. Quite in the foot hills, drinking in the scenery New Hampshire granite was concenmyself off for a dog and then shoot the 15 years found an oyster containing a phere of autumn, when two men steppearl which was sold at Paris for 50,-000 francs. For his portion he received

to tree, singing madly, and sending cured at Panama are sent to New York, showers of pink petals down on a where they do not lack purchasers, says couple who were wandering through the Jeweler's Weekly. One consignment exceeded in value 750,000 francs. Her hair was a golden tangle and the The Island pearls are thus denominated soft folds of her gown fell with studied on account of the archipelago in which carelessness from her ivory throat. His the oyster fisheries are carried on. It manner was the manner of a young is opposite the Bay of Panama. The man deeply, devotedly in love with the archipelago is composed of sixteen is dearest girl in the world. From his lets, in which are thirty or forty small high shining collar to his polished villages of negroes and Indians. The solf is fertile, but the principal occupa-MOCKINGBIRD, drunk with They were silent. He, because his tion is that of the fisheries. The largest

yard, and peered through the lilac was singing in the moonlight. The on pearl fishing in the Bay of Panama. hedge. A lanky, slovenly boy of 14 odor and the song always bring it back. In certain spots, where the yield is the most abundant, it is necessary to pay "By Jove! Eight years-" He was the government a very high tax. At centage on the pearls discovered is add-"Do you remember how we laughed ed to it. Generally these pearls are over the proposal? By the way, you rather small. They usually bring from never showed me the one that you 5 to 50 francs each. Those which reach 150 to 300 francs are already much less

> Children of the Soil. The Cape of Good Hope was discovered by Diaz, the Portuguese navigator. six years before Columbus saw San Salvador. In the middle of the seven-Company formed a permanent settle rifles at them ordered them to dis- the other to Michigan, and never were The first settlers were French Hugue Of course they complied. In fact rethese men met in the United States nots, Dutch Protestants and German sistance was impossible, and they offer senate they were the cynosure of all Lutherans. As immigration increased ed none. The bandits tied the hands of eyes, for they were as imposing as the hardy ploneers moved north from their captives behind them and ordered Mount Washington, under whose Table bay on the great prairies called them to move on. The orders were not shadow they were reared. Wonderful veldts. Here as pastoral shepherds delivered in most choice language, but eyes they possessed, and men have been

Odd Way of Dividing Wealth. A wealthy Greek who recently died ordered to sit down-on the ground. The other day I saw a man slap Sena-When, after several pauses, they in Corfu hit upon a novel way of dis They complied. finally reached the lilac hedge, the posing of his wealth. According to his The captors then went to playing senator!" and receive a pleasant salute "Miss Phillips, I-I-you must have young man startled the nestling robins will be has left in trust his money to with a sudden guffaw of laughter, the archbishop of the island, who is to the spoils. The winner was to have the with Cass. In 1846 the proprietor of the With his mind's eye he saw a lanky hand over the interest of it to one poor girl-la muchacha-and the loser must National botel in Washington was a boy on his knees in the grass beyond Cretan every year, who will be selected content himself with the boy. It be man who so closely resembled the great "I understand Miss Goode took plane

> Those thus chosen will then ballot for shooting him. the coveted charity. When a young man has a hole in his wibrate from one side to another and "Hello, old man; here I am, back again! medal for. The neighbors gave it to glove all the girls in town are very then back, a tall, typical Mexican How are you?" Senator Cass straight- her."-Philadelphia Press. when the stranger arrives at Sevine and Toledo and the guides conduct him sollcitous, which makes their fathers. strode into the recess and looked on, ened up his six feet three, and, turning

> > game was for.

WITH RELIGIOUS SERVICE.

A mockingbird, drunk with moon- 20,000 francs.

be like that?"

light and dew, was careering from tree | A considerable quantity of pearls prothe orchard.

shoes, all was immaculate.

sunshine and the scent of apple tongue refused to speak the words that | isle, called Rey, alone embraces half of blossoms, was flying from tree were clamoring for utterance. She, be- the population. San Miguel is the chief to tree and caroling ecstatically-an cause she was sorry for him. It was place of the fisheries, and there is a very not maiden shyness that lurked behind fine church. The inhabitants are near-From the door of the little brown her demure face and downcast lids, ly all blacks. They are descended from house at the head of the orchard but pure perplexity. No master of the negro population, from whom the emerged a wee, rosy maiden, herself as diplomacy ever faced a more delicate Spaniards learned the advantage they dainty and sweet as an apple blossom. issue than that which confronted her. could derive from the island riches. In Her hair was primly brushed back and "It's exactly eight years since Uncle certain of the islands there must have tightly plaited, and her gingham dress John asked Aunt Lucy to marry him," been diamond beds. Some fine rough she said at length. 'It was in apple diamonds were formerly procured. She ran down the steps, across the blososm time, and the mockingbird There are two systems for carrying

was stretched upon the grass, deep in a to me." "Rob." she said in a stage whisper, struck speechless by the contemplation other points the tax is small, but a per of so much bliss.

"What do you want?" drawled the "Come here! I've something to tell talked of writing."

He arose slowly, shaking back his "I never wrote it," he said, with a in number. unkempt hair, shuffling his unlaced grin that was almost a grimace. Then shoes into place, and slouched across with a tremendous effort, "I-do-don't you think I-er, that is, w-we could "Mr. Ames proposed to Aunt Lucy d-dispense with anything of that sort,

Lucy?" "He truly did. You see, I was in the moments did not admit of connected teenth century the Dutch East India ped from the wood, and pointing their small. One removed to Massachusetts, hammock in the grape arbor, and they conversation, but as they strolled toward the house a little late, she said, "Listening!" said the boy, scornfully. with an arch look: "We've grown up "I was not! I was listening to the quite as commonplace as the rest of mockingbird. It was spinning among the world, haven't we?"

the apple blossoms and singing like a "Commonplace!" he ejaculated, fercrazy thing just as it is doing now. I vently. "Well, if this is commonplace, think it sang all night, for I heard it I____

whenever I woke. What do you sup- Another pause, a lengthy one. "Do you remember wondering why "I dunno. Bee stung it mebbe. Get the mockingbird rioted among the apple blossoms and sang like a mad "Well, I didn't notice a word they thing?" he asked, solemnly, after a said until I heard a chair scrape across little. "I know now. If I could do the the porch, and he cleared his throat tre- same it wouldn't begin to express my mendously. Then I peeped through feelings."

the leaves. He was sitting very close seen-I-that is, you must know-I--Her eyes were exclamation points! "Well," said the boy, breathlessly. the hedge.

"A half-grown cub of a boy is several "Ssh! Don't talk so loud. That's all Constitution.

CHURCHES DECKED IN PEARLS. Rare Treasures the Bay of Panama Yielded to Spaniards.

When the stranger arrives at Seville to the cathedrals of those old cities he who have unmended holes in their acted. She's known a long time," said is struck with their magnificence and clothes, marvel. the abundance of the pearls which are No difference how short a woman's

their finest decoration. These pearls skirts are, she will hold them up in gocame from the Bay of Panama and date ing over a crossing. about yesterday. He went down on his knees, so—" And the youngster FACTORY BEGINS DAILY TOIL

grace of a jumping kangaroo, and rolled his eyes like a cow. "And he said: L. H. Creager, who operates a stave 'Qu-ween of my hear-rt' and a lot more stuff that I can't remember. It was and heading factory in Washington, silly," he added, falling back into a Ind., employed the Rev. Mr. Gorby, pasto of the Presbyterian Church, to deliver fifteen-minute sermons to the fac-"Pa got it," he said, indignantly. "I tory hands every morning. The idea hid it behind a row of books in the proved such a success and had such a bookcase, and he got a-huntin' somep'n wonderful influence upon the workmen and found it and chucked it into the that Mr. Creager placed the choir of the just as good, an' get it by heart. Catch First Baptist Church upon the pay roll. me a-makin' such a fool if myself as The choir now assists the Rev. Mr. Gorby in the daily religious services at "When you have written it may I the factory. Before the fifty workmen about the place begin the day's toil "Yes," he replied, condescendingly, they assemble in the factory for a short "I'll let you see it. It'll be a cracker- religious service. This novel idea originated with L. H. Creager. The Rev. "Maybe I could help you write it," Mr. Gorby, who is a local Presbyterian minister, says that the plan has been a "Oh, I sha'n't need any help," he said, big success, and he expects to see it



NOVEL PACTORY INNOVATION. complacently. "I know just how it spread to other factories and to other the factory payroll with that of the cities. Mr. Gorby's name appears on other men.

BIG RANSOM PAID A MEXICAN ERIGAND.

He Had Stolen the Intor of a Rich Mountains.

alongside it 120 pounds of girl! The ready to receive Poyerima's gold.

The advancement of Thomas Kearns away from the main range by the Gulf pouring the gold into the sack. began with his connection with the On- of California afford him a hiding place. now his partner in the ownership of the most famous of Utah's producers, the Silver King group of mines at Park City. This property is worth more than \$10.

The rurales have not yet found him, ped forward.

"Not another peso." he called out, grandloquently, "I said her weight in gold, and that is enough." 000,000, it is estimated, and last year mated at \$40,000. It is an ideal bandit alone paid more than \$1,000,000 in divi- story.

After working for seven years as a la- mines, realized, when no longer young, his men back into the woods, porer in the Ontario mine, Mr. Kearns, that his children's education was deleading railroad director and Senator, ened the Silver King, and Mr. Kearns dren. The son saw in her much to ad- wife of gold. He had pluck and perseverance, and, with a fortune of from \$3,000,000 to \$5,- is now known as the "Silver King" mire. They became lovers, Frequently they rode out together into the mountains.

> It was on one of these joyous, free rides that the shadow of Cortina fell upon them. It happened that Miss Jarrett

HER WEIGHT IN GOLD, There was an agreement as to a place and time for meeting, and young Poyerima rode away with his own horse, leaving Miss Jarrett to wonder what fate had in store for her.

Young Poyerima lost no time in hurrying home. He speedly acquainted his father with the facts. Ordering the Man's Children and the Sweetheart pack animals to the front of the baciof His Son-A Romance of the ends, he loaded two of them with sacks of gold, partly in bars and partly in coin, and, the son leading the way, the party set out to the hills to keep Cor-From the mountains of Mexico comes tina's appointment. Reaching there, Kearns, the new Senator was a master of the fistic art, and the manner in which he applied ring knockout tactics in the defeat of his late senatorial adversaries, skilled and determined as they were, skilled and determined as they were, candidate for the place which went to a story that reads more like a romance they found that a scale had been made would indicate exceptional fighting quali- hundred and twenty pounds of gold and At the other an open-mouthed sack hung-

Mr. Kearns bowled over Mr. Salisbury. gold ransomed the girl and the son of Miss Jarrett was brought from the -Philadelphia Press. newspaper editor; Mr. McCormick, a the man who paid the ransom now is woods and placed in the seat. She albanker; Mr. Brown, a lawyer, the lead-banker; Mr. Brown, a lawyer, the lead-ling candidates, and several lesser lights.

Among the last lingering bandits of nothing of the strange ceremony in The Democratic members gave their honorary support to A. W. McCune, the leading candidate when there was a deadlock in the Legislature two years previ-

Just as the pole tipped Cortina step-

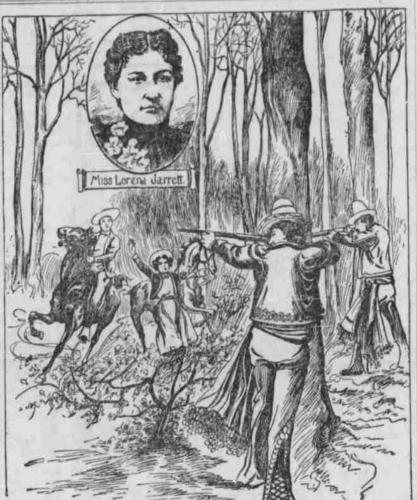
Poyerima, while Cortina, with many Senor Poyerima, grown rich by his flourishes and bows and adios, followed

There was a wedding soon after, as with Mr. Keith and others, took a lease fective. His friend, La France, sug- might be expected. Mrs. Poyerima on the Mayflower, in the same camp. It gested that he send for Lorena Jarrett, lives with her young husband at the farm laborer. Tiring of digging for potations and the like on the plains, he determined to dig for more valuable that elusive thing known as good luck, so t was a good venture, and Mr. Kearns his niece, and make her the tutor of his marble quarry in Texas, just across the became more than a tutor to the chil- icans call her "La sposa del oro"-the out in my favor.

THOSE TERRIBLE EYES. Senator Cass Could Annihilate a Man

with a Look. Giant heads, bodies and brains were

These Panama pearls rival the most and young Poyerima were riding along Webster and Cass. All the strength of be such a fool as that feller, I'd trade recently, in the spring of 1899, a lad of



BRIGANDS ORDERED THEM TO DISMOUNT.

they began that lonely life which has there was no misunderstanding them. known to shiver with dread when one developed in its followers courage, self-

solitude, the leading traits of the boer steep, narrow trail in the hills. which is the Dutch word for farmer, seemed to suit the views of their cap- searching stare seemed to destroy all tors for a stopping place. The camp- mentality and fill the victim with paring was brief and simple. They were alytic emotions.

by lot. Each year the names of claim- came evident before they had played senator from Michigan that he was lessons at the conservatory." ants will be sent in to the archbishop, very many minutes that neither of often mistaken for him. An old friend, kinds of an idiot," he said.—Atlanta who is required to make full investithem wanted the boy, and that which returning from a journey, entered the

amid much cursing as luck seemed to saying cheerily and simultaneously. He seemed oblivious to the presence of upon the assailant, his terrible bloodthe two captives, but very much inter- shotten eyes almost annihilated him ested in the game, But, seeing no with a look. Not a word was spoken. stakes, which in Mexico are always That look was ample. The stranger kept in sight, he inquired what the was so "rattled" that he could not even

When the two players had replied the the hotel. remarked:

"I am Cortina!" But Cortina continued:

follow my directions. Come with me!" simple and brief.

In short, Cortina remarked that he looked and again the victim fled. Two was anxious to abandon his career as a mistakes of that kind in one day.-New brigand, but must have money enough | York Press. to live as a gentleman should. He then told young Poyerima to go to his father There is great sympathy for an Atchiand tell him that he could ransom the son woman. It is figured that by the brutal frankness, "but that was before girl on paying her weight in gold- time her period of mourning is over. I had to pay for the gas you consume You feel that you're right in it when the which," continued Corting, "is cheap, and she can entertain, all her doylles by sitting up till midnight reading fool as she is not very heavy."

two states more highly honored. When reliance, love of independence and of tors; and so they slowly clambered the upon them. Cass could look through a on when I was a little girl. of to-day. They were called "boer," At last they reached a spot that burn and his knees knock together. One one.

> tor Hanna on the back, cry "Hello, While the game was still in progress, him a terrific whack on the shoulder, give it up." apologize, but slunk dejectedly out of tall Mexican with the mustache strode | Later in the day, when congress was

over to where the two captives were supposed to be in session, the stranger crouched, and asked them who they returned to the hotel to shake hands were. The very instant young Poyer- with the proprietor and tell him all ima had made known his identity he about the Cass incident. Walking bravely up he laid his hand down on his friend's shoulder, and without wait-His name was sufficient, Young Poy- ing for a greeting, surprised him with: erima practically felt his doom sealed. "See here, old fellow, you got me in a deuce of a scrape this morning. Why you "I know your father well. We were know I took old Cass for you; slapped muleteers together in the old days be him on the back, nearly taking off, a fore he grew rich, and he knows me. shoulder, and the old fool looked at me and you need have no fear if you will darned old lunatic-why doesn't he stay daughters. What do they do? out of here? He knows-" Again the then told him his plans. They were ened up his six feet three, again he Europe studyin art. turned his blood-shotten eyes, again be

will be out of style.



An Interloper. Old Gentleman-Here, sir, how is it I eatch you kissing my daughter? The Lover-By sneaking in on us, sir.

He Couldn't Lose.

Smith-No, indeed; the policy is made

Greatest Force. Tommy-Pop. what is the greatest force in local politics? Tommy's Pop-The police force, my son.-Philadelphia Record.

Foxy Youth, Elderly-I saw you with the charming Miss Hedstrong to-day. I know her parents very well.

Youngman-Do you? I wish you'd put in a bad word for me with them, Elderly-You mean a "good" word, of

Youngman-No, I don't. If I can only get her parents to oppose me I'll land the girl sure.-Philadelphia Press,

He Knew Better. "Oh, John," she cried, "baby's cut a

tooth.' "Aw, go 'way!' broke in little Willie, who was playing on the floor. "You can't cut a tooth! You may break it, but you can't cut it."-Chicago Post,

The Other Side. "I suppose your experience is that a good many tenants find it cheaper to keep moving than to pay rent?" remarked the inquisitive man.

"No doubt," replied the candid real estate agent, "and we frequently find it cheaper to keep them moving than to make the repairs they require."-Philadelphia Press.

Just Wiggled. "How did Eleanor announce her en-

gagement?" "Just wiggled the finger that wore the dlamond ring."-Puck.

AGAIN THE UNLUCKY THIRTEEN.



Sykes (counting the Judge and jury)-I allus said as 'ow thirteen wos an unlucky number,

His Customary State. "Your friend Tackey is 'way off in Honolulu now. Doesn't that surprise you?"

"It does and it doesn't." "Heard he was going there, ch?" "No. I didn't know he was in Hono luin, but I knew he was 'way off even when he was here."-Philadelphia Rec-

They Improve with Age.

Belle-I have a violin that I played stranger in a way to make his brain Nell-Gracious! It must be a fine

A Marriel Man. Jaspar-Why do you consider Bond

rocks so especially lucky? Jumpuppe-Why, all his friends had gone back on him before he had suc- speck in the universe. ceeded, and he was able to begin life with a clean slate.-Life.

Well-Merited. "Oh, ves. She's got a gold medal."

"Yet, I was paying a visit at her gation into the merits of the case, ever got him would lose no time in lobby, and, seeing him leaning against house last night and she positively rethe desk, slipped up behind and hit fused to play; said she had decided to "Yes, that's what she got the gold charms."-Baltimore American.



Kind Lady-You say you have such But I don't bear him any grudge; I jes' He knows my word is perfectly good, as if he wanted to commit murder. The a hard time supporting your three; Hash Brown-Two is havin' der He took the young man aside and great senator from Michigan straight- voices cultivated and de odder is in I listen to his stories (an' at some I'm

> Ligh . plained, "that I was the light of your

existence." love stories,"-Chicago Times Herald.

Trapped. "Females seem to be the same the world over," remarked Bruin, glancing

up from the fragment of paper he had been reading. "Here's an account of a woman being badly crushed at a spring opening." "Yes?" replied the fox, languidly, "Yes. A spring opening was the

death of my first wife. She put her foot in it, and it closed on her."-Philadelphia Press. Made to Feel at Home.

"Didn't you feel yourself a stranger in your literary club after being absent so long, Mrs. Jinks?" "No, one of the other members snubbed me the minute I opened my

La Pompadour. "What's the matter with your hair?" isked Cawker of his wife, when she appeared at the breakfast table.

mouth."-Chicago Record.

"What seems to be the matter?" "It has an unshoveled appearance." Lots of Time.

Jack Newlywed-Time you were getting married, old man. Billy Bachelor-O, I don't know: the century is young yet .- Ohio State Jour-

The Height of Ingennity. Jaggles-What do you think is the nost wonderful machine ever invented? Waggles-The one that puts the folds in time-tables.-Judy.

Not Alex's Earth. Alex Smart-The earth is merely a

Prof. Squelcher-While your statement is true, young man, that does not justify your apparent theory that you own lt.-Ohio State Journal.

An Artistic Distinction. Mr. Sappeigh-Mr. Woozen seems badly smitten on that young lady planist. "Music hath charms," you know. Miss Gebbeigh-Yes, and in this case it must be the music which hath the

A Reformer Rebuked. German Child-I don't believe in emperors, mamma. German Mother (shocked)-Oh, you little infidel!-Puck.

The "Jolly-Er." I'm allus kind o' giad to see the "jolly-er" come along; The feller that kin tell a joke or mebbe sing a song; The man that puts up lightnin' rods you really didn't need

Or sells you ground that Isn't wuth the paper in the deed. He has a way o' shakin' hands an' sayin' "How-dy dol" That jes' convinces you he thinks the world an' all o' you. He doesn' keer fur money; he is sech a generous elf!

An' purty soon he has you feelin' jes' that way yourself! take off my hat,

He's made this ol' world brighter, an' I'm 'bliged to him fur that, laughing yit). An' try to git off jes' as cheap as reason

will permit. "You used to say," she bitterly com- Fur it's wuth a little somethin' to have some one comin' out To make you feel that you're the real thing without a doubt;

A regular steppin', thoroughbred-much swifter than the throng-

jolly-er comes along. -Washington Star,