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## The Town Row


n AIRY NOTHING wITH A NAME.

UPON several of the nominating petitions appears the senti-
ment "Equal and exact justice for ment "Equal and exact justice for all", or words of that
import. It is a splendid sentiment that appeals to every American. The only trouble with it is that: "there ain't o such thing". The poet Saxe divided mankind into two classes: "Those who have money and those who have not". It seems like a cold blooded proposition to even think that the quality
of mercy and the inexorable demands of . Justice should be of mercy and the inexorable demands of Justice should be
warped, stretched and distorted just as the party interested warped, strectehed and distorted just as the party intere
has money or has not, yet it is the case. The gallows it luxury reserved for the poverty stricken murderer while the nssane asylum if any thing is within reach of the man with
money, as witness Harry Thaw, and then the offense is smoothed down by having the name homicide saddled on
A murder is the net of the poverty stricken, while homicide the same thing wrapped up in a different package for the
criminal with the dough. The well-to-do man pays a fine for his miademeanors while
gets a few days exercise on the rockpile. It is so through all the ramifications of the law.
In the metter of
arry for thater whe divorce for instance, it is no longer necestheir names dragged before the public. Divorces are as easy as anything else the lawyers have to hand out with the courts'
help, if you have the price. A few days ago the Goelets set tled up their martial difficulties not in the courts but out of them. The lady in the case was granted a divorce for "cruel
and abusive treatment" which was the allegation in her complaint. She did not have to appear in court neither did the husband. The lawyers fixed it all up and submitted the papers and decree to the compliasant judge who signed them.
The disposition of the children, unfortunate results of the marriage, was made by mutual agreement outside of the court room and the testimony, which had been reduced to writing in
the home of the lady, was read to the judge in whispers lest the home of the lady, was read to the judge in whispers le
the poppy-petaled edges of her feelingss should be ruffled. "Equal rights to all: Special privileges to none", makes n
fino slogan, whatever that is, but as was said before: "There ain't no such thing",

## When it comes to twisting the Britioh lion's tail Senator

 Chamberiain seems to be some twister. Probably it is good jingoes, always spoling for a serap, but in contrast with these red-hot appeals to prejudice on the floor of the senate, President Wilson's calm logic is reansuring to a large majority of few attributes in common.Here is one of the achevements of science. An escaping criminal was locited by wircless on a steamer 21 miles at sea.
aydroplane carrying an officer was sent out after him, and A hydroplane carrying an officer was sent out after him, and the fugitive was returned to the town from whence he fled, and
there tried for his crime. It would have made us shake our heads a few years agoo of Jules Verne had told us such a story.

## LADD \& BUSH, BANKERS

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Victorious Villa, the terror of Mexieo, seems to have reeeived
his first set-back at Torreon, where his forces were defeated wisth great slaughter. The varying fortumes of war, which tend with great slaughter. The vary ing fortunes of war, which the the contending factions are about evenly matched, would indicate that the struggle is no nearer an end than it was months ago. The government still seems strongly intrenched xcept in the northern
the rebels is complete

Chicago is swelled up because since women can vote there and
not in New York, it now has more voters than Gotham. Still ot in New York, it now has more voters than Gotham. Still
New York has it over Chicago in the matter of population and wealth so why try to get so much satisfaction just from count-
ing the voters. Allowing for repeaters and Tammany New ing the voters. Allowing for repeater
York can still cast the more votes.

Great Britain is so badly stirred up over the home rule question that even the militant suffragettes seem lost in the shuffle. Ulster is virtually in a state of open rebellion with the govern-
ment impotent to cope with the situation. The United Kincment impotent to cope with the situation. The United king-
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The Baker county grand jury has exonerated District Atto ney Godwin and Sherif Rand, and placed the entire blame of the
Copperfield affair on Governor West. A grand juror is always a peculiar animal but sometimes
officials who need whitewashing.
The aim of government is to protect fools, says Senator
Owens. Probably panking from recent experience and the help
the goverament through its court gave him. Senator Owens
the goverament through its court gave him. Senator Owens
should know a whole lot on that subject.
Only yhirty-four persons were sent to the hospital to make
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monarchy. The older Latin countries have learned how to do
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