John H. Ream, . - Publisher The world is sane enough; it's the

inhabitants who are silly. Wake up, Sir William S. Gilbert,

and give us a suffragette comic opera. Before automobiles were invented. what did people do who were in a

A French aviator has won \$5,000 by crossing the English Channel. Sometimes it pays to aviate.

If neither of the poles can be found, why doesn't some one travel around the world on the equator?

"All Europe," says one of the dispatches, "feel Clemencean's fall." Yet he fell on only a small part of Europe.

A Philadelphia man who was going to commit suicide died of heart dieease. He probably was scared to death.

If all the men would quit voting for three or four years, and leave the matter wholly to the women, what would happen?

Dr. Ellot prophesies the advent of a new religion, based on the laws of nature. We hope it will not be started by anybody with long, white whiskers.

Don't have your large intestine cut out until you discover whether or not the microbes will not find some other corner in your anatomy for a summer

A New Jersey man has invented a Iawn mower that can be used as a music box when the grass isn't being cut. He must be a pessimict who has no desire to be happy at any time.

A Kentucky judge has sentenced three men to prison for life and ten years extra. He probably desires to head off any chance they might have

Prince Miguel will give up pretending and go into the business of spending the \$1,000,000 which he will get from his American wife. One can hardly blame him for preferring the new job.

Baron Takahira insists that he is going to return to the United States after his visit to Japan. The baron will be welcome, whether he come as an ambassador or to lecture at one of our colleges.

A member of the Georgia Legislature has introduced a bill which makes it a felony for a woman to ride astride in that State. He should go further and introduce a bill making bow legs a misdemeanor.

Prince Jaime, the new pretender to fonso out of business. Prince Jaime evidently believes that a man who has a job should work at it.

The fact that a building is in course of construction in New York City having a width of 6 feet and 11 inches and a depth of 100 feet, is evidence of the value of superficial area in the business section of the city which will explain the skyward tendency. This aliver of a building will be only two stories high, but if any owner is justified in a farther reach upward this posmessor of a real estate remnant has first claim upon absolute pardon.

When many examples have been noted and an average of human conduct has been ascertained, the fact remains that man desires to be honorable and is as nearly so as he may be; that the earth is good to be alive upon; that wealth will not often shove by justice; that friends are generally true; that lovers are mostly devoted; and that there is evidence of greater happiness beyond. And even when a weight of testimony collects to confute all these things, we are better off if we still strive to believe that they are

The popularity of what is called "practical" education has had a recent striking testimonial from Missouri. A farmer sent his son to the State agricultural college. The boy's letters so interested and excited his father that the old gentleman himself moved to the college town, entered two years later than his son, and caught up with and passed him in his studies. One of the pleasantest parts of the story is the fact that the father took and enjoyed the gymnasium work, was elected to one of the fraternities, and altogether was one of the most popular "boys" in college.

There is nothing new under the sun. The taxicab, which is probably supposed by most to be a recent invention, was in use ages ago. Ancient documents plainly show, says Prof. E. H. Parker in the Asiatic Quarterly Review, "that mechanical carts capable of registering distances traveled, by counting and recording the revolutions of very large cart-wheels, connected by cogs with other concentric or eccentric horizontal and perpendicular wheels of proportionate diameters. have been well known to the Chinese for seventeen or eighteen hundred years." On the top of the cart was like the polenta in that it is made of which he beat when one li, a third of a mile, was traveled. Some cars had in addition a figure holding a cymbal, which was struck when the drum had been beaten ten times.

Employes of the government depart ments in Washington have been much disturbed by a recent order of Secretary Nagel of the Department of Commerce and Labor that the heads of bureaus under his jurisdiction should prepare a report upon the efficiency of the clerks under them. The test is reported to have disclosed the fact that one in ten of the clerks is inefficient. The proportion is surprisingly low. It misfit crown.

Dakota County Herald is not generally known outside of washington that a sort of efficiency record of the clerks has been kept for years. Employes have been "marked" on their work, like schoolboys, but ne ther by them nor by their superiors has the record been taken very seri ously. Secretary Nagel's order brings to the front one of the great problems of government administration every where-a problem from which no na tion is wholly free, and for which no perfect solution has been discovered It is admitted by those most familiar with conditions in the United States that the work of the departments at Washington could be done by contract with private firms for less than onehalf what it now costs. The working hours of the clerks are from 9 o'clock in the morning until half past 4. Throughout the summer months Saturday is a half-holiday, and every clerk has thirty days of sick leave during the year, and thirty days' vacation, both with full pay. Salaries range from \$750 to \$2,500; but those who receive more than \$1,200 are more than those who receive less than that sum. The average, although not large. is higher than the payment for similar work in private employment. Nevertheless, it is not sufficient to enable clerks to lay up a fund for the time when they will be superannuated, and they have formed an organization the object of which is the establishment of civil pensions for aged government employes. In the past the United States has suffered greatly in its public service through political influence. The establishment of civil service reform has worked a great improvement, but not perfection. Moreover, since it has placed this country in line with foreign nations in the matter of civil service, it is nimost inevitable that in time it will also introduce the foreign practice of civil pensions. That question, however, is too large to discuss

LIKE UNTO THE SAVAGE.

Woman Retains Her Barbarian In-

stincts to a Phenomenal Degree. To the cold-blooded, analytical student of anthropology, woman has retained all her marked barbarian instincts to a phenomenal degree, says to get out on account of good conduct. a magazine writer. Her clothing, ornaments, love of ceremonials, religious longings, her likes and dislikes, her irrational affection and hatreds are surprisingly similar to those of her jungle sisters. The various degrees of so cial standing and the generations of civilization have had their influence, but their natures, instincts and that peculiar sense, which for want of a better name we call intuition, are the same in every woman, whether she is a laundress or poetess. For the Man from Bombay never wrote a truer line than this :"For the colonel's lady and Judy O'Grady are sisters under their skins."

Three-fourths of our international marriages are possible because of this peculiar savage instinct. It is idle to suppose that a woman would from pure reasoning decide to live her life in company with a mere shell of a man the Spanish throne, is trying to rally such as Europe has been sending over his followers for the purpose of mak- as matrimonial candidates. It is her ing a supreme effort to put King Al. love of ceremonials, of pomp and circumstance, of glitter and gilt and purple and tinsel that lures her to the union. Ceremonials and pageants of gorgeous kind are as breath to her nostrils. The courts of the old world, retaining as they do the customs and manners handed down from the times of semi-barbarism, appeal to her primitive instincts and to her love of power and display. Witness the strugglings, plottings and heart burnings in English society over the presentation of some young lady at court. Every nerve and resource is strained that she may stand for one brief moment as one of the central figures in a royal cere-

> mony. Savage life is full of formal observances, processions and pageants. Every act of the barbarian's existence is ruled by forms and customs. He prays in a certain way, he makes cabalistic signs when he eats or drinks, dies lispriests and is borne to the burial ground or the burning ghat on the that have lasted for generations.

BREADLESS PEOPLE. Substitutes Used in Parts of Italy

Austria and Roumania. Baked loaves of bread are practically unknown in many parts of South Austria and Italy, as well as in the agricultural districts of Roumania, the Baker's Weekly says. In the villages of the Obersteirmark, not many miles from Vienna, bread is seldom seen, the staple food of the people being sterz, a kind of porridge made from ground beechnuts, which is taken at breakfast with broth or fried in lard and with milk again at supper. This sterz is also known as helden, and takes the place of bread not only in Stelermark but in Carynthia and in many parts of the Tyrol. In the north of Italy the peasantry live chiefly on polenta, a porridge made of bolled maize. The polenta, however, is not allowed to granulate, like Scotch porridge or like the Austrian sterz, but is boiled into a solid pudding, which is cut up and portloned out with a string. It is eaten cold as often as it is hot, and is in every sense the Italian peasant's daily bread. The modern Roumanians are held by many scholars to be descended from a Roman colony-in other words, to be cousins of the Italians; and, curiously enough a variation of the polents, called mamaliga, is the national dish of Roumania. The mamaliga is a figure of a man holding a drum, boiled maze, but it is unlike the latter in one important respect, as the grains are not allowed to settle into a solid fashion of outmeal porridge.

A Failure.

"Marriage is a fallure." sighed the 'What's the matter? Quarreled already?"

"No. Not exactly, but supper wasn't ready when he came home last evening and he swore right in front of me."-Detroit Free Press.

Opinions of Great Papers on Important Subjects.

CONCERNING "GRAFTER."

CCORDING to a court decision that has not been handed down, calling a man a grafter does not constitute slander. This will probably lead to fresh attempts at a definition of the term which has filled a long-felt want while awaiting a place in the dictionaries. The people accepted it

quickly and applied it liberally without any effort at nice distinctions. They called men who were guilty of criminal offenses grafters. They found the word useful in connection with boodle aldermen and dishonest politicians. But they employ it also in referring to small cheating and a disposition to ask something for nothing. The offenses vary from grave to trivial ones, and yet the same quality is recognizable in them all. The grafter figures on rewards without service, on holdup games, on taking what does not belong to him.

The same moral qualities are suggested by the term whether the action complained of is criminal or not, and they are qualities that make for thievery. They were recognized recently in the Senate in a smoking room of a sleeping car which was discussing an incident that had happened shortly before. A man had secured two railroad tickets for the price of one, owing to the error of a clerk, had refused to pay the full price on demand, and had decided to let the unfortunate clerk take the consequences. The Senate voted unanimously that he would be a star grafter if he had the opportunity, and its members emphasized their opinion of him by snubbing him and making unpleasant remarks within his hearing.

The legal problem is beyond us, but we are positive that if "grafter" is not slander it will never be mistaken for a compliment.-Chicago Record-Herald.

TRICKS FOR THE JURY.



splite of its many good qualities, the jury system has always presented to the mind concerned with pure justice the basis for a multitude of doubts. For example, when eight men on a jury are convinced that a verdict for murder should he rendered and four are equally honest

in their vote for acquittal, what justice can there be in a verdict which condemns their subject to a compromise verdict of manslaughter and a term of twenty years? Either the law has been robbed of a life rightly forfelted to it, or an innocent man has been made to pay the penalty for a crime he did not commit.

And this brings us to the methods by which the opinions of juries are swayed. It is the view of the law that a jury is moved to its duty by some telling bit of melodrama, a piece of sentimental clap-trap, or the clever introduction of irrelevant nonsense into the serious proceedings of the case by some slick lawyer. One does not wish to be severe on a man on trial for his liberty. Nor is it right to deprive him of any legal privilege granted to him by the law. But it must be seen that since the jury before which he is being

tried can only honestly concern itself with the testimony as to his guilt or innocence, nothing else but the facts bearing on these points should be allowed to plead for him before that jury. And there is nothing either in the ethics of the profession of law or in the unwritten licenses permited by custom in the influencing of juries which justifies counsel for the defendant in resorting to such tricks.-Washington Post.

AN IMPORTANT LEGAL DECISION.

HE decree of the lowa Supreme Court that lake beds and the beds of non-navigable rivers belong to the State constitutes a decision destined to have a far-reaching effect on drainage projects. While the decision is binding in no State except Iowa, the precedent set is likely to be followed

in other States where drainage projects are undertaken. Northern Iowa, particularly, contains a large number of shallow lakes which can be drained and converted into agricultural land at comparatively small outlay, and the tendency to do so has led to much litigation to preserve lakes which the common good demands should be retained. Whatever other effects the law has, it will tend to stop the drainage of real lakes, since he direct financial benefit is not so likely to tempt the State as it would a private individual.

In rendering this decision the Iowa Supreme Court has also undoubtedly cut out for itself much litigation in the future determining titles to lake beds already drained and defining what constitutes a lake within the meaning of the law. The lowa court is used to that, however, as the cases will be legitimate successors to the prolonged swamp land disputes .- Omaha

DIVERSION OF IMMIGRANTS.



HE country districts have a perpetual hunger for men to do common labor; particularly is this chronic shortage acute in the South and Middle West. On the other hand, it is too often true that the labor market in the large centers of population is oversupplied with men. It is the

of the Bureau of Immigration, under the order just issuel by Secretary Nagel, to equalize this condition-to send the laborer away from the overstocked market to the other market where his services are in

Though the government doubtless concerns itself largely with the economic aspects of the case, there is also a moral and physical question involved. The more generally immigrants are kept away from cities, the better will be the health and morals not only of themselves, but of their children; the more probably will the second generation grow into worthy, law-abiding Americans. The better, too, will be the conditions in the cities themselves if they are relieved somewhat of this constant influx. It would be almost a solution of the problem of congestion and its train of evils .- Cleveland Plain Dealer.



As the sour old married couple were | clothes better taste is shown than forwalking in the park Mr. and Mrs. mobile, chatting merrily.

"Look at them!" said the experienced married woman, bitterly. "See them actually carrying on a conversation and not quarreling! How do they do It?"

"Huh," grunted her husband. But if the experienced married couple had heard the "conversation" this is what they would have heard:

"I'm really glad I took that raspberry-colored gown. Oh, I clear forgot to get some raspberry-colored makers ought to be. thread to use in taking in that place in the skirt! But I suppose you can get it some time downtown if you would ever remember---"

"My, but this little wagon does run fine. Ever notice how she purrs? I've tening to the chants and howls of his found out the best way to steer and not wabble; you just-

"I really believe that white gown river bank with the same ceremonies is a bargain. I hope the other one doesn't make me look pudgy."

"You keep your eyes on the road ahead of you and pay no attention to what your hands and feet are doing. That is, after it becomes-"I wonder if they really will send them out when they said? If they don't there's no trip for me next Saturday."

"Whoop! I looked down at my gas throttle a minute, and that thanky ma'am rose up and swatted us right! guess I'd better heed a little of my own preaching after this."

"I certainly wouldn't have wanted another thing that woman showed me. Did you ever see such a fright in your life as that blue one with the long coat to it? Perfectly dreadful. And she said it was the very latest style, too. Well, all I have to say is that the style won't stay that way very

long." "Good! Did you see her take that hill on the high goar? I've got that pretty tolerably fine, I tell you. That fourth notch of spark and the fifth of gas will climb any old hill if the car isn't overloaded and I'm not stopped for something at the foot. I wouldn't

trade-"Well, you've no idea how glad I am that the ordeal's over. I've been dreading this hot shopping trip for a week, and it was mighty nice of you to go along and help me select the things and talk them over with me---

"Look out, kid! A little more and your mother wouldn't have known mass, but are kept distinct, after the you when you got home to night. It's certainly fierce the way people let their kids play in the streets, out in front of autos, and everything. Some day one of these tads will be killed. and the fond parent will say the Lord took them because they were too good for this earth."

"Well, I'm gladder every minute that she didn't get me to take that with the mildew of caste in their pongee with the embroidery. There must have been a prize offered to who- kow-tow and gloat over the backward ever could sell that thing, the way she glide, Uneasy sits the tooth that wears a coaxed at me to let her send it out." -Chicago Datly News.

FOR THE ECONOMICAL MAN.

ot Necessary to Pay High Prices in Order to Be Well Dressed. It is not necessary for a man to pay In all kinds of ready-made the broader outlook, and the

merly. A good rule for the econom-Spoonmore rode by in their new auto- ical man to follow is to avoid the extreme and the conspicuous. Take chirts, for instance. It is nos sible to buy for about \$1 a perfect ly plain white negligee shirt which will look almost as smart as the shirt made to order and costing four times as much. Instead of such a white

shirt, let the economical man buy a plaited shirt for the same price and it will be perfectly obvious that it was not as costly as a good plaited shirt turned out by one of the first shirt

This same rule holds good with every article of man's dress. In the matter of shoes the simple style free from eccentricity will enable the wearer to look well dressed without the expendlture of much money and with no special evidence of economy, while a shoe exhibiting freakishness displays its origin at once.

Any man can buy for 20 cents socks in a quality as good as a millionaire would desire. The come in dark blue, purple and even green. Yet there are certain kinds of cheap hosiery that shock the taste with crude colors, harsh combinations and discordant stripes. So the discriminating buyer by the exercise of taste can manage to look well and yet not spend much money.

In the matter of neckwear it is posprice articles that imitate fairly well much costller ties. The solid colors allegorical picture. and the combinations in low-priced neckwear are sometimes as good as those in the university ties and the knit ties in the solid colors.

In straw hats if a man picks out the ordinary shape, moderate brim and crown, he is not likely to go far wrong. He will probably look as well as the next man, even if he did pay \$1.50 for his hat instead of \$4.

Of course the tie that costs 50 cents spark and gas notch business down | \$3, nor is the hat that costs \$1.50 the same as that which costs \$4; nor do they look the same. The difference between the two ties will not be so great, however, as that between the hats. For that reason the hat must be selected with even greater care than the tie, and the principal chance of success lies in keeping to good models. In his gloves, in his handkerchiefs

of opportunity for the economical man to show his taste. By watching his will be able to appear as well dressed and highly decorative. as the man who spends much more on his clothes.

Our Foolish Ambassadorial Rank. The carefully trained diplomats sent abroad by foreign countries-where diplomacy is a regular profession-are letter perfect as to the gymnastic and sartorial details of their jobs. Born veins, they giory in the triplicated

Diplomacy, the French say, is the art of tying one's own necktie, and, thinks he is good-looking is the limit.

under that definition, foreign diplo mats are its masters. But in handling men, In adjusting really important affairs, in promoting international amnigh prices for his clothes in order to those quick crises which are the true ity and understanding, in dealing with be well dressed, the New York Sun test of diplomacy, the wider training, versified experience of the American ministers made them unequaled.

Meanwhile the stupidity or cowardice of Congress - statesmen are well uoipor husnoid uodnoisul minuield come to the choice-which was responsible for the creation of the ambassaderial rank without providing funds loupe equ of your peusisse Auedutes for its support, will stand in the way of applying either possible remedy to B lo redmun beingitedoo a ul selettre the impossible situation. And so the American people must continue to sponge on the private fortunes of ambitlous millionaires who are anxious to buy for themselves and their familles some temporary glitter and glory abroad, until the National Legislature either makes suitable provision for ambassadorial support or-quickened and inspired by the living memory of Abraham Lincoln-returns to the old ideas of republican simplicity,-Success Magazine.

PAINTS BIG THEATER CURTAIN.

Allegorical Picture for the Denver Auditorium Being Finished.

One of the largest theater curtains in the country is being painted by Albert Herter in the Vanderbilt gallery in the Fine Arts building at 215 West 57th street, for the Denver Auditorium, the New York Herald says. It is for a proscenium arch, thirtythree feet high and sixty-five feet wide, and with the exception of a comsible to purchase for a very small paratively narrow ornamental border the entire space will be given to an

The principal figures are General Washington and the Marquis de Lafayette, mounted, and near them stands Alexander Hamilton. They are on an elevation from which they can look down upon a scene of war. Far beyond them is the figure of Progress and near by stands Justice and other personifications of the civic virtues, while emerging from the folds of the flag, far above the central group, is s not the same as that which costs the spirit of Independence. The patriotic theme was chosen because the curtain is to be presented to the Auditorium in Denver by a revolutionary society.

The curtain was first sketched in a large loft owned by the scene painter, but as Mr. Herter could only see the results of his work at a distance of six feet he removed it as soon as possible to the gallery, where he can and in his underwear there is plenty study the effect under conditions which more nearly correspond with those under which the curtain will be diances to buy advantageously in the displayed when it is in place. The bops and then selecting with care he panel is pleasing in its color scheme

Otherwise Occupied,

"Why don't you devote some attenion to the preservation of our magifficent American forests?"

"It's worth thinking about," an swered Mr. Cumrox. "Some of us men of wealth haven't given the matter furnishing financial props for Europe's genealogical trees."

A woman who imagines she is pretty is bad enough, but a man who

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she has long neglected. do, she remembers a lot of sewing When a woman has nothing else to

a lot o' kid things."-Judge. are I got to stay inside an' play with with the fellers my age, but it you doors an' ride my bleyele an' play ball " Cause if you ain't I can go out

Why do you ask, my little man?" "Why-er-I don't know, thinkin, of marryin' mamma?" some widow, to come down, "are you caller waits for his mother, the handinto the parlor while the gentleman "Say," asks the small boy, sidling Mamma's Little Helper.

Success Magazine. shun does fly in dis hea country."bis nesd and then replied: "Time Mr. Jackson thoughtfully scratched ".blo os s'ed

mal. He haint got a toot in his head, weeks ago, dat mule was a young antclaimed one, "you done tole me, t'ree "Look hea, Mistah Jackson," ex-

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COASLY WAS denied.

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And sallormen do get sick. up there, but he has to stick it out. leaves the bridge, or even while he is master bim. He may feel ill after he pseuft time to allow his feelings to completely prostrated but the sailor that in the latter's case he or she is al reddulbant a ban realism a to seen The difference between the seasick uinely sensick.

hour. Many of the officers were gen their sockets four times in half an thirty pounds, were unshipped from compasses, which weighed at least the recent mid-Atlantic gales that the One big ship pitched so heavily in moar

officers' staterooms behind that feel it the officers in the bridges and in the sky, while the stern takes a dip, it is and then rear, bows up, toward the were going to look for King Neptune When the big liners pitch as it they that gets the most swing.

felt. It is the tip of the pendulum pitching and rolling on big waves is is where the oscillation caused by the from 50 to 100 feet out of water that the big liners whose upper decks are most enjoyable. But in winter in all and the promennde deck endins are tember, the weather, as a rule, is fine, In the summer, from May to Sepnow teaches the lesson

without avail. But one trip in winter to sensickness to try the lower decks. for years to persuade cilents subject ship agents in New York have tried the rates are usually highest, Steamstend of on the promenade deck; where enbin on the lowest possible deck, indue thought owing to our interest in sig sagusus 'stauli tunis wan sit lo one and again these winter days on one The sen-wise passenger who crosses

the Same as Mere Landlubbers. sandotenes of residue ask welles WISH TAKE LOW DECK BERTH.

In still-fishing for pickerel, pike or muskellunge on the lake the best time is from 4 p. m. till dusk, or from sunrise to 7 a. m., though such early fishing at other seasons is less effective, Louis Rhead says in Outing. The best bait for these three fish is small, two or three inch minnows for pickerel; five-inch minnows for pike and eightinch minnows for muskellonge. For the last, shiners, slivery dace, young white fish, chub or a young sucker will do. Anchor the boat quietly ten to twenty feet out in the lake from the weeds and use a sinker heavy enough to keep the live balt below,

according to the size of balt.

INLAND VACATION FISHING.

Some Instructions for the Angles

Who Would Achieve Success.

The right tackle consists of a phosphor-bronze wire leader, with one or two single hooks snelled of the same material; insert the hook through the back of the shoulders, using care not to kill the bait, so that it can swim around the leader. Have swivels attached to each snell and one connecting the line to leader, so that the bait will not get twisted while in the water. Some anglers use two hooks, one a foot from the sinker, the other four feet above it. A float is very useful in keeping the line straight up from the bottom and is an excellent device to denote when a fish takes the lure. When it does and the float sinks beneath the surface, be patient; it will come up again to take a journey more or less rapidly; after it has traveled a few yards, raise the tip of your rod strong and quick; you will thus hook the fish. Then being to reel it in toward the boat and be sure to use a net.

## SHORT METER SERMONS.

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Self-Sacrifice. Self-sacrifice brings life's sweetest reward.-Rev. J. B. Remeasnyder, Lutheran, New York City,

Severe Religion. Don't surfelt your children with too severe religion, unless you want to turn them against it.-Rev. M. C. Peters, Baptist, New York City.

Unbrenkable Cord. The bishops, clergy and people united form a triple cord which cannot be easily broken.-Cardinal Gibbons, Roman Catholic, Baltimore, Md. Learn to Smile.

A doleful countenance has often

shut a man out of a position. Learn to smile your way through trouble .-Rev. J. E. Price, Methodist, New York City. Selfishness. Selfishness turns all fingers into thumbs. Every life has something to

divide, something to share.- Rev. Statom, Presbyterian, Coeur D'Alene, Ida-The Living Link. Memory is the storehouse of all the past, the living link that binds us to

the man that was in the yesterdays of life.-Rev. A. P. Brown, Baptist, Fres-Modern Christianity,

Our modern Christianity must be so preached as to convert our modern corporation as well as little children .-Rev. Geo. C. Richmond, Episcopalian, Philadelphia, Pa.

Rustling. True Christians do not wait for work to come to them; they rustle for it. Therustler always "findeth" something to do.-Rev. H. F. Carpenter, Christian, Santa Clara, Cal.

The Cost of Crime, The cost of crime to the United States is enough, if our people were righteous for two years, to pay the whole national debt .- Rev. John Flagg, Presbyterian, New York City

Wrong Freedom, A freedom which stands for indulgence, lawlessness and license makes for decay and death is not worthy of the name freedom.-Rev. W. A. Courtney, Roman Catholic, Newark,

N. J. Fieing Conditions. If we are honest we will face the conditions as they are and will do what is necessary to change our lives and make them what they should be, -Rev. J. O. Hayes, True Life Church,

San Jose, Cal. Man's Purposes. Not a man but is conscious of occasional hours that are full of promise; but his purposes are like the blossoms on the peach tree, of which there seems a strange overplus, since many bloom and few set.-Rev. N. D. Hills, Congregationalist, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Degrading Spectacle. Is there a spectacle more degrading, more abject, than a man with a will in him hanging breathlessly upon the throw of dice, the dealing of cards, the running of a horse, the whirling of a wheel, or the sway of a game on the stock market?-Rev. Charles D. Williams, Episcopalian, Detroit, Mich.

Essential Value of Money. Money has no value to a freezing man, unless he can change it into fuel, Money has no value to a starving man. unless he can change it into food. Unrelated to some human need, money could have no value whatsoever,-Rev. C. C. Woods, Episcopalian, Fresno, Cal.

Surprising.

Bacon-See all those marks on the gate post? Egbert-Yes; I guess it's the work

of tramps "Why: I didn't know tramps did any work."-Yonkers Statesman.

What Next? "These here schools is gittin' too new-fangled fer any use." "How now?"

fetch a toothbrush next year."-Louiswille Courier-Journal. Premature. Randall-Hallon, old man. So

you're here in New York! Have you

"My boy's teacher says he master

been to the Museum of Art yet? Rogers-Nope. You see, we've only lived here fifteen years.-Life. The office seldom seeks the man, and

during the baseball season the man frequently seeks the office boy in vain. Even a poor, tired old girl whose

laugh sounds like a wail, likes to be told that she has a mischievous eye.