

he corporation running the telephone busi-

tess says that congress did not intend to

confer a public benefit, but merely to say

what maximum price the district govern-

ment should pay. In addition to asserting

that congress did not intend to make tele

phones come generally lower, the company

congress the telephone company cannot afford to do business and will not be able to

reap any profit from it if the low prices are

insisted upon. On the other hand, the at-

orney for the users of the telephones sug-

gested to the judge who heard the case that

was preposterous to assert that congress

would have made an exhaustive investiga-

ion, as it did, just to secure lower rates

to the district government. There does not

appear to be any disposition to be alarmet

at what congress will do. The com-

pany has shown figures to support its con-

tention that the Bell company, and vast

expenses that have to be paid out of the

harges, eat up all but the 4 or 5 per cent

dividends squeezed out of the income for

stockholders, and that the Bell company is

resolved that if Washington wishes to us

telephones it must pay that rich corporation

Electrical Inclined Elevator.

Among recent applications of electri

notors is one to an inclined elevator, which



"Have you been there this week?" "Never!" interrupted his companion, em- , went home now or a couple of hours later? "No, to be sure I've not. But why do you The people were still hurrying past. There phatically. say I have to be taxed? One of these war The two men walked silently to the road 'was still time enough to get there for the taxes? Oh, yes; I remember now. My huswhere Hiram Parsons' horse stood, hitched grand entrance, and he did so like that!

A check fluttered through the grated winhas been installed in a New York departmen tore. The inclined elevator is a compromise "Have you a stamp, madam?" between a common stairway and a vertica "Stamp ?" murmured a soft voice: "oh, no; elevator. It condists practically of a mov-'m not sending it away. I want the money ing band, to which are attached a number of hardwood slats, ridged with rubber. These "Certainly, and if you want it now you give a comfortable footing for the passengers nust put a stamp on the check. It's a tax, who step on the moving band at the bottom of the staircase and are carried up to the There was a single exclamation of dismay landing. On arriving at this point the step rom the feminine customer. Then she ralping off is perfectly easy and absolutely safe

roundly.

When fully loaded the elevator carries "But they never did that at my husband's thirty-seven persons in one minute, or 2,200 in one hour. The hand rail moves along at the same rate as the chain on which the

passenger stands, and as the machinery runs quite noiselessly it has been found necessary to call attention to the fact by molding into the face of the rubber rail large, round, whi



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AT WHOLESALE.

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CHICORY

Naval Lessons of the War.

The American

mounting, rode away, with a parting in- | tion of the tents. junction to his friend to-"Take my advice, Joel."

son James, a sturdy, bright-faced boy, was his ear now. crossing the barnyard.

"James," said his father, "I want you to "But, father," began James.

"But what ?"

"This is the day of the circus. You said could go. Won't it do if I take the letter have missed the circus so needlessly. to Mr. Hawkins after it is over ?"

"No," returned his father, "you might office when you go, you can come back on whenever he was on the cars. the next train. You've been to circuses before: Get ready at once. You'll find the arton went into the barn.

If his mind had not been so engrossed have observed his son's intense disappointment, and would have altered his decision about taking the letter at once. But Joel Harton was in great trouble of mind at the prospective loss of his farm.

Some few years before he had indorsed



I FROMISED TO TAKE MY BOYS TO THE CIRCUS.

car. some notes for a cousin who had since died insolvent. These notes had changed hands and were now in the possession of John Setenti. Simpson, a man whom he had always regarded as his enemy. Bitter as it would be to lose his home, he felt that it was utterly impossible for him to follow Hiram Parson's advice and appeal to Simpson for time to pay.

James went into the house to prepare for the car. his trip to town, feeling himself a badly used boy.

H.

The circus was the yearly event of importance in the community next to the county fair. He and the other boys of his age in the neighborhood had been looking forward to it this year with unusual impatience, for the menagerie was said to he finer than ordinary. So for a boy of 15, missing it was a real trouble.

Jumes made a little change in his dress and hurried over to the Belleville station, and reached there just in time for the 1 o'clock train. The distance to Hampton was not great. He arrived there in time to see the people streaming to the circus. As he passed up the main street of the village, at grasping the boy by the arm. "Get out of the end of a cross street he saw the tents this!" in a large empty lot. Strains from the band excited to speak, pointed to the partly re- rection of specialista in criminology.

band did say something about what I had to His owner untied him, and, He would go, and he turned in the dire But James had been brought up to pay

strict obedience to his parents' commands; The latter walked slowly in the direction his father's last words to him had been. of his home. As he neared the barn his ""Come home at once." These words rang in please? After a struggle he turned back and

walked quickly to the station. He had to he ready and take the first train to town. wait a half hour for a train. More than You must carry a note to Lawyer Hawkins." once he felt tempted to go back after all. He was almost relieved when the train came

and he was steaming homeward. Still, it was exasperating that he should

After a while his thoughts ceased to dwell upon his disappointment, and he began to miss him. Besides, I want his answer as notice the other passengers in the car. This soon as possible. If you catch him in his was a source of entertainment to James

Today there were not many, two or three men in front of him, one behind him, and tter in the drawer of my desk." and Mr. another just across the aisle from him. The latter he recognized as Mr. John Simpson.

James knew something of his father's by his financial troubles he would no doubt money troubles, and that it was Mr. Simpson who held the notes which had to be paid within a few weeks. Mr. Simpson was a kind-hearted looking man. James thought. It was a pity that he

and his father were not friends. Surely he would not cause his father to lose his farm. He was so rich he could wait easily.

There was a crash, and then a second quickly following it. The car rocked from side to side. There was a confusion of sounds-shricks, cries. James started from his seat, then knew nothing more.

III. When the boy came to himself strong arms were lifting him from beneath something that was lying heavily over him. Then the same arms carried him off and laid him on the soft grass.

"I believe you're all right, sonny." said his deliverer.

"What's the matter?" gasped James, struggling to his feet. 'Yes, you seem to be all right. Let's feel

this arm. No bones broken. The westbound train ran into us around that curve. Just some blamed carelessness." James turned and saw the car which he

A number of people were running to the scene, for the accident had happened just a few rods from the Beileville station.

'Our car was the only one that was is badly injured, I believe. I was sitting hadn't read the newspapers. ust behind you, by the door-

The man walked away, and James, beginning to feel less dazed, went over to the The passengers seemed to be all out. stamps, the public is going to remember the Glancing around the different groups, James noticed that Mr. Simpson was not to be that they have got used to the novelty, I

Had he not gotten out?

vrecked.

"I don't see the man who was sitting one of the trainmen who stood near, and he it involves the handling of 2.500 stamps. 1 went nearer the car and peered in. "Keep back! The car is on fire," was shouted to him, and indeed flames were shooting from a window at the far end of

"I'm going to see if he is there." said James, and he clambered over the crushed car seats and window frames of the wreck The trainmen sprang after him to pull him back. But James kept on. Yes-this was the seat, and, yes, there was a hand sticking out. He stooped down and saw Mr. Simpson under the overturned seat. James grasped his hand and tried to pull him out, but he was too tightly wedged in. The seat must be lifted.

The flames from the other end of the car seemed to be creeping towards him. "Are you crazy "" asked the trainman who had now reached him, and was roughly

do to each the check, but I thought it was disks. This elevator takes up very little only the same old rigmarole. He always space and can be located adjacent to a wall: explains every time he gives me a check. t fulfills the fire department regulations as He thinks I don't understand business principles. But I always manage to get the money. May I have my money now if you "There'll be two cents charge for the stamp, madam.

"Oh, very weil; but I should think you ought to pay that. The bank makes all the profit. I don't get interest on the money. didn't want war in the first place. But I'm not a peace-at-any-price woman-oh, dear, no! Really, there's very little we can do for the cause here at home, isn't there " "We can pay the taxes, ma'am." "So we can. I hadn't thought of it in that

If he wants to see me then, he'll know

And so it came about that the old enmity

between Joel Harton and John Simpson was

wiped out, and the latter could not do

to himself, "how different things would perhaps have been. No danger of losing

PAYING TELLER'S LAMENT.

How He Reads the Stamp Act to

Riotous Customers.

"Another week of this," moaned the pay-

ing teller through his grated window,

speaking to a New York Sun man, "and

shall be a fit subject for a padded cell

"Good heavens! man, don't say that

word. My head won't stand the strain. It's

been 'why's this' and 'why's that?' until

begin to think there never was even a

"It's the women and those infernal, eter-

nal stamps. They simply won't under-

stand. You'd suppose, after a week and

nore, some of 'em would remember? Well,

you'd suppose wrong, then. Pardon me a

"And if I hadn't missed the circus and

been on that train," said James many times says that at the rate prescribed by

enough to show his gratitude to James.

where to flud me."

the farm now!"

in some private asylum.

first cause in creation.

ou know. It's the law."

moment, sir.

myself.

ied.

bank.'

"Why?" queried the reporter.

light. Here's 2 cents. No. I'll take half a dozen; or do they come by the yard? If buy a quantity you'll have to send them, for they'd all stick together if I carried them about in such warm, moist weather. You don't have delivery wagons? well, I'll take one at a time. That's all now, isn't it?'

"You merely have to affix the stamp, madam, and then cancel it." "But this is canceled. It says 'I. R.' Is was held at Philadelphia, it is doubtful if,

on the big seals in England? I didn't know You want my initials and the date? that.

My husband says that is very dangerous." "Madam, every check must have a stamp

your initials. That's the law." "I suppose I don't quite understand. But largest size of generator built is of nearly have to have the money today. I can't 5,000-watt capacity and dynamos in comwait to ask. Do I have to lick the stamp? How perfectly horrid! I should think the government would have that done for us.

Couldn't the Board of Health interfere! And do I indorse the stamp on the back of the check? Front of the stamp? Of the check? Oh, dear, it is very perplexing. Why, I'm keeping such a lot of people waiting. Well, that's done. Yes, ten-twenty-

twenty-five dollars. Thank you, so much. I'll be sure to remember all about it next time. After an interval of active business, the

perspiring teller again had seventeen sechad been in badly smushed across the rails. onds of leisure. He leaned wearily upon the glass counter before himf "That's a fair sample of the way it goes.

he said. "Men ought to know better, but they don't. Some of our oldest customers No one was killed, and no one made the most trouble. Apparently they "Why don't I have a wet sponge for the

stamps? That's part of what I call my kindergarten method. If the public licks the new law. After our regular customers show

always put the stamps on for them. But it's work. It means about \$10 an hour to the government for the checks that go over tracks. was pretty near crazy at first, but if the public is disposed to do its share I shall

soon become accustomed to the work. The questions and the arguments are what I can't stand. Good morning, sir. New Smokeless Powder Company.

CLEVELAND, Aug. 4.-W. E. Irish, H. H. Anderson and B. Davenport of this city incorporated a company in West Virginia for the manufacture of smokeless powder. The capital stock is \$500,600, with the privilege of increasing it to \$1,000,000. the government. It will deliver 19,600 pounds each week. The plant will be in the vicinity of Cleveland.

Studying Durrant's Character.

learned that the National Bureau of Educa-

to a stairway, and thus does away with the stairs needed in addition to an ordinary elevator. It is safe and noiseless; it require no attention to run it; it may be started or stopped at either end by pressing a button; it is always ready for use, and consumes power only in proportion to the number of passengers elevated. It is further claimed that the passenger on the inclined elevator cannot possibly have the unpleasant and dis tressing experience to which many people are prone when suddenly ascending or de scending in a rapidly moving vertical ele vator. **Progress** of Electrical Engineering. In a recent address Dr. A. E. Kennelly

brought out some instructive facts bearing on the progress of electrical engineering, which came into existence only with the Very introduction of the electric telegraph some sixty years ago. By far the greater proportion of electrical development has come within the last decade and a half. In 1884 when the international electrical exhibition

that like 'Georgius R.' and 'Victoria R.' outside of telegraphy and telephony, there was in the United States a total investment that imperialism in this country meant of \$1,000,000 in electrical applications. Today the capitalization in electrical applica-Well, I'll date it, but I mustn't indorse it, tions in this country's estimated at about an average more than 3,000,000 connections.

\$1,900,000,000. In 1884 a fifty-kilowat dynamo was considered a large machine and and it must be canceled with the date and the price of dynamos was about 20 cents

per watt of output; at the present time the at the front, the electrician finds much food or thought. While some of the electrical paratively small sizes, without switchboards, ievices adopted on war ships have proved now cost about 2 cents per watt. Even invaluable, others have been found wanting, guns. In action they get out of order, so coni system from the island to Bournethirteen years ago the efficiency of the dynamo was good and the improvement in these machines has been mainly in their re- hard practice can determine its real value. on. Even the range indicators, simple as duced cost and greater power. In 1884 the cost of generating a kilowatt-hour of electric dered by the searchlight. Without the out by the gun blasts, and every one, to a perimentally, the distinguished scientist in-

about 7.5 cents; now Niagara power is sold have kept the Spaniards penned up in San- judgment in giving the range. It seems to consumers in Buffalo at rates varying ac- tiago harbor. It also has had no little in- possible that the old fork system of estabcording to the amounts delivered from 2 fluence in establishing the fact that corpedo lishing the range has not yet gone out for cents to slightly less than two-thirds of 1 boats have lost casts. The American ships good. In all future calculations this effect ent per kilowatt-hour delivered. Sixteen | lay for months outside the harbor, often | of the blasts from the guns will have to be years ago the price of a sixteen-candle within a mile of the entrance, and several more definitely reckneed with. Is many power incandescent lamp was about \$1 and attempts were made by the two torpeds cases the concusion would rip off the are light carbons cost about 6 cents apiece. boats inside to attack. None of them over violthes of the guinners, as if it had been It is estimated that about \$600,000.000 has got out without being seen, and they were done with a knile, and some of the rapidbeen invested in electric lighting stations driven back. It was shown that if a man-of- five guns suffered so much from the biasts

hopeless factor in electrical work, that ship has little or nothing to fear from has shown remarkable advancement in ef- torpedo boats. The torpedo boats, with her ficiency and power. One installation now in rent. In the ten years since the first com- illuminated the mouth of the harbor by mercial trolley cars were run electric locoroad, with a nominal capital of about \$1,000.-Dr. Kennelly holds that the principal engithrough mills or cities or from some locality delay and limbility of error to which verbal unregenerate brave whose soul the mission

dear.

for ground-return circuits. People can that on one ship a serious error was made SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 4 .- It has been now actually converse at a distance of 1,800 by the messenger. The messenger took an elicited no explanation at the mission miles, and conversations at distances up to order to one of the turrets that was meant house, although it was admitted that the tion is making an exhaustive inquiry into 1,500 miles are common. There are now for the secondary battery only. Had the | metallic attachments were evidently for an But James, who was too much the life of Theodore Durrant, under the di- about 1,000,000 telephones connected with order been properly delivered the Colon electrical purpose of some kind. It was in- here,



Every day about 17,000 employes make on problem thus suggested is well worthy the people under his spiritual care. attention of electrical inventors. Probably

range finders in use are so delicate that they cannot withstand the discharge of the don. confirming the fact that no matter how at- that the old method of angling on the mastractive an invention may be in theory, only head height of the enemy has to be relied energy from steam for lighting purposes was searchlight the American ships could not greater or less extent, had to use his own

and plants in the United States. The storage war is ready at all times to open up in-battery, at one time an apparently stantly an efficient fire with rapid-fire guns actually blown away from their stations.

Electrical Notes. An odd volume hus been unearthed in an line. "paper" sides, might as well sink herself old book store in New York. The book is active operation has 166 cells, weighs 500 before starting, so certain is she of destruc- bound in metal, and has what appears to tons and has an enormous output of cur- tion. The searchlight, night after night, be an attachment for making an electrical connection on one end. It is a copy of the Proawinging its rays slowly from side to side, testant Episcopal Book of Common Prayer motives of 1,500 horse power have made so that nothing could pass unseen by the translated into the language of the North their appearance even on steel railroad picket boats. The light, too, was most use- American Indians in Dakota, and published There are today in the United ful in indicating to the crews manning the in 1883, for the Indian commission of the across the aisle from me," he observed to this counter of mine. That's \$60 a day, and States about 14,000 miles of electric rail- guns just where to direct their fire. As it Protestant Episcopal church, for use in the was an invariable rule never to throw the missionary jurisdiction of Nicorara. Accord-000,000, and employing about 170,000 men. beam of the searchlight on a friendly vessel, ing to the story told to the purchaser of the no doubt was ever left in the mind of the book, the work was used in its present neering value of electricity today lies in its gun-pointer as to the hostile churacter of form by a missionary to the Indians in conadaptation to the transmission of power the approaching craft. It eliminated all the nection with an electric battery. While the

> where power is cheap to others where it is orders are so limble. The lack of a method any desired to save held the prayerbook A steel rope by its bodily motion of order transmission of equal effectiveness with his hands on both covers, thus forming can transmit, with appreciable friction and on hoard ship during action was on more an electrical circuit, the missionary would depreciation, a given amount of power to a than one occasion simost productive of dis- surreptitionaly turn on a gentle current distance of some thousands of feet. A aster. There was the greatest difficulty in which sent mild but appreciative thrills bare quiescent copper rod half an inch in getting messages to and from the different through the frame of the savage, who he diameter and supported on poles can trans- parts of the ship. The telegraph signals and lieved them to be the manifestations of the The company has secured contracts to fur-nih barge quantities of smokeless powder for 100 miles at an infinitesimal depreciation, and concussion were too great to allow of this story application was made to the head mit possibly ten times the same power for the telephones were of no use the noise newly-found religion. On the strength of A great increase in the convenience and the employment of any kind of voice tubes. Quarters in New York of the society which effectiveness of the telephone has come with and messengers were slow and unreliable printed the work. It is stated that the exthe general substitution of metallic circuits and in danger of being killed. It is said hibition of the book, with its nickeled brass

covers, firmly fastened with strong rivers this country's telephone service, employing might have been disposed of in short order. sisted, however, that no missionary of the and will be brought here for trial.

a capitalization of about \$100,000,000, 400,000 instead of giving the American ships their society would be guilty of any such deneit stations and about 900,000 miles of wire. long chase to the westward. The grave or chicanery as that suggested toward the

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During a recent visit to the Isle of Wight the greatest disappointment to electricians Lord Kelvin became so much interested in at the failure of electrical devices is caused the apparatus there for wireless telegraphy Among the many lessons of the war al- by the discovery that a practical battle that he sent off three messages, one to Sir eady apparent, as shown by a naval officer | range finder has yet to be introduced. The George Stokes, at Cambridge: a second to authority already referred to states that the his own assistant at Glasgow, and a third to Lord Rayleigh and Mr. Preece, in Lon-These were transmitted by the Marmouth, on the mainland, a distance of fifteen miles, and then were repeated to their several destinations by wire. Although the It is hard to estimate the great service ren- they apparently are, were completely thrown Marconi apparatus is being used only ex+ sisted on paying for these messages, at the usual commercial rate.

It is without question, says a reliable railway journal, that the long-distance telephone is diminishing passenger travel. One prominent railroad official is quoted as saying that the business of one of the limited trains between New York and Chicago has been practically ruined by the long-distance telephone, and in his own case it has been the means of enabling him to manage the affairs of the road from his office to a very large extent, where formerly he spent twothirds of the time traveling up and down the

Taken Along to the Philippines.

Those who have relatives and friends in to several expeditions to the Philippine slands will be pleased to know that upply of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and arrhoea Remedy has been taken along and more will be procured from the agency in Hong Kong as required. The great sucess of this remedy in the treatment of bowel complaints has made it standard over the greater part of the civilized world, During the epidemic of cholera in Honelulu red more successful than any other watment. For shie by all druggists.

Indians in an Ugly Mood.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 4 - A special to the Post-Indians are in an ugly mood over the open avowal of Chief Mays in his message to the indian council, favoring allotments. Full cloods are suffer and threaten the lives of progressive indians if they sure on a measure favoring the acceptance of the Currin bill. They ay they will jears the country and before going will give evidence of their opposition to the white people's invasion of their land.

Two Train Holders Captured.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. + -A special to the Post-Dispatch from Wichita, Kan. says Sam Smith and Tom Winn, the two men who rubbed the Frinco train at Andover, near here, have been captured at Nowata, L. T.,