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The Omaha Bee, in bidding for the position of leading organ for the democratic party, comes out in a [illegible] column telegram from Lincoln this morning which fully entitles it to the cherished position of the leading democratic paper in the state. A republican that will support this vile sheet after its treachery is neither true to his party nor to himself.

President Cleveland's argument in vetoing the direct tax bill will make it real awkward for President Harrison to sign it.—Boston Herald.

President Cleveland also made arguments to hundreds of vetoes of old soldier bills, but it has not made President Harrison feel awkward while signing them. The men are built differently.—Inter-Ocean.

A FARMER near Searsboro, Iowa, while digging a well the other day "struck a vein of natural cheese three and one-half feet thick at a depth of eighty-three feet. He has just received an analysis from a reputable Chicago chemist, who says it is a cheese of a very high grade. It is of a beautiful golden color and will keep any length of time." If he keeps following this lead he will probably strike the pie formation from which are quarried those of the railway restaurant variety.—Ex.

AFTER looking with calmness for the cause of the splendid municipal victories won in New York this spring, the Albany Journal comes to the conclusion that it can be nothing else than a reaction against the lying done about the new tariff law by the democrats during the last campaign. Other causes have contributed to the general discomfiture of the bourbons, and "a rearoused republican party confronts a divided and demoralized democracy throughout the interior of New York." That begins to sound like old times.—State Journal.

RECOGNIZING BLAIN'S SERVICES

The address to Mr. Blaine of the wholesale merchants in New York City, signed by firms representing $50,000,000 invested in actual business, is a remarkable testimony of the appreciation of the great services rendered to American trade by Mr. Blaine's policy of reciprocity. The signers of the address do not belong to any one party. The names of democrats as well as republicans are appended to it.

The magnificent stroke of statesmanship by which Mr. Blaine has secured for this country a market that will absorb millions of dollars of American products so far transcends ordinary party measures that sensible and patriotic democrats join in the praise that is universally bestowed upon the secretary of state for the services he has rendered the country by the inauguration of a policy which promises to produce results of incalculable value.

The signers of the address are men of affairs, who can set a proper estimate on the character of the benefits that Mr. Blaine has been instrumental in conferring on the country. They cannot, therefore, be misled by the carping criticism of free-trade and mugwump press, which is doing its best to minimize and depreciate the policy of reciprocity with South America. New York merchants who have dealings with South American States, and have therefore a practical knowledge of what reciprocity with these countries can effect, radically disagree with the views of these anti-Blaine sheets. These sheets, however, may be expected to keep up their attacks on reciprocity, which they assail principally because it is associated with the name of one whom they hate.—Irish World.

Perhaps no local disease has puzzled and baffled the medical profession more than catarrh. While not immediately fatal it is among the most distressing and disgusting ills the flesh is heir to, and the records show very few or no cases of radical cure of chronic catarrh by any of the multitude of modes of treatment until the introduction of Ely's Cream Balm a few years ago. The success of this preparation has been most gratifying and surprising.

SIR CUPID.

Sir Cupid once, as I have heard,
Determined to discover
What kind of a man a maid preferred
Selecting for a lover.
So, putting on a soldier's coat,
He talked of martial glory;
And from the way he talked, they say,
She seemed to like the story!

Then, with a smile sedate and prim,
He changed his style and station;
In shovel hat and gaiters trim
He made his visitation.
He talked of [illegible], discoursed on that,
Of Palestine and Hermon;
And from the way he preached, they say,
She seemed to like the sermon!

Then changed again, he came to her
A roaring, rattling [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
And [illegible] they say,
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DECEPTIONS.

When, before the altar, the priest asked her, "Are you content?" it was with all her soul Gemma had responded, "Yes."

Oh, yes; she was content indeed. Through the cloud of costly lace which enwrapped her [illegible] transparence she saw the vast church all dotted with lights, resplendent in the dark gleam of mosaics upon golden backgrounds, animated by the slight movement of the very elegant crowd that filled it, lighted by oblique rays descending from the nave, all a glitter of gold, silks and brilliants, and it was her own future that she seemed to see thus—the years of luxury and wealth which her rich marriage was preparing for her. And had it not been the dream for which she sighed? She, the ideal blonde, of 18 years, with the tall and proud figure; the pure, disdainful profile under heavy curls like those of an archangel, with haughty eyes sparkling like blue gems under the golden fringes of her long eyelashes.

She had been for a long time a poor girl, the daughter of citizens who had seen better days, that marvelous human lily. She had experienced all the petty troubles, all the cruel daily sufferings of misery that conceals itself. The poor and inelegant gowns, painfully remodeled every year; the insolence of creditors; humiliations; continual and tormenting thoughts of money—she had experienced them all, and in her little heart, eager for pleasure and enjoyment, swollen with unsatisfied longings, a dream was arisen little by little, occupying all the room, rendering her insensible to all the rest—the dream of at last becoming rich.

She wanted it, absolutely; she was born for it; she was rich now. That "yes," which she had just pronounced, had, by its three magic letters, changed her destiny; and she was so content, so happy, that it appeared to her it was all a dream, that her Mechlin veil was a cloud that transported her into the realms of the impossible, across a sidereal heaven, of which the diamond pins thrust among her laces formed the flaming stars; and, in order to return to reality, she must cast her eyes toward her husband, Luigo Marchis, kneeling beside her in the mystic, velvety shade of the altar, lit by the tremulous brightness of the candles.

Ah, there was nothing ideal about him, poor fellow! In vain he straightened his correct person of an elegant man, with his accurately shaven face, with slender brown mustache, and a still fresh color that gave him something the look of an actor; he remained none the less old, with his powerful shoulders a little bent, with his eyelids grown heavy, and crow's feet toward his temples, with the gray locks that appeared here and there among his brown hair, with his forty-seven years, of which the weariness was more conspicuous beside that radiant and blonde spring.

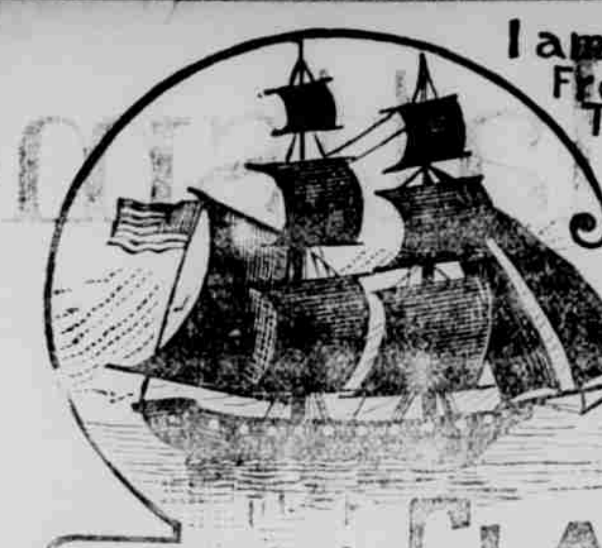
Forty-seven years! How was it possible? He felt his heart so palpitating, full of tears as in youth! And he could not comprehend how so much time had passed; he could not persuade himself of the incredible fact—forty-seven years passed without knowing Gemma.

For they had been acquainted with each other only two months. Marchis, however much he had frequented society, drawn there by his banking connections, had never let himself be talked to of marriage. What! A wife, children, troubles, cares, disappointments! Not even by idea!

And at 47 years one evening, present from motives of curiosity at a ball to which the employes of his bank had invited him, he must needs be smitten by the exquisite, vaporous grace of that blonde girl, dressed simply in white, entering on the arm of a funny little man with a baby face and a big, silvery beard—her father, a modest clerk in the bank; a rather ridiculous little old man, who, beside that divine apparition, slender in her robes of snow, made one think of the gnomes of folk tales, always crouching at the feet of fairies.

Ah, weakness of hearts growing old! That apparition was enough to shake all the ideas of Luigo Marchis concerning matrimony, and as the old gnome, despite his absolute nullity, was an honest citizen, incapable of resisting the assiduities of the director to his pretty daughter, the suitor had been greatly pleased with the consent of that little maiden of 18, that beautiful creature, that blonde being, to become his wife. Now he trembled with joy. His eyes were misty with vivid emotion—not perceiving that that, too, was a sign of old age—and it was a voice choked with joy that to the question of the priest, "Are you content?" replied, "Oh, yes!"

Now it is done. United, forever united. Having arisen to their feet, she with an elegant and light impulse, like a lily wind lifted on its stem, he with a little



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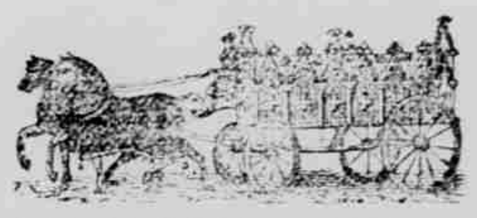

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