

# Loup City Northwestern

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The Tibetans also are beginning to feel the pressure of the dark man's burden.

Praise a woman for the qualities she doesn't possess and she'll worship you.—Chicago News.

Radium will not cure cancer. Now that the excitement has died down what is radium good for?

The Russians in Manchuria are on short rations. War arbitrators, and an empty stomach may be referee.

Six people committed suicide in New York in one day. Evidently the outgoing trains were badly crowded.

Radium rays, it has been discovered, do not cure everything. Something had to be left for the N-rays to cure.

It is nearly time for Brander Matthews to come out in defense of "busted" as a good and proper English word.

Canada consumed 200,000,000 cigarettes last year. This sounds bad until you read how many the United States consumed.

First it was the "X" ray, now it is the "N" ray. If science keeps busy we may have the whole alphabet represented by rays.

The Korean navy is made up of twenty-five admirals and one coal barge. All the materials here for the regulation revolution.

The mountain in Maine that sank into the earth the other day will be succeeded, doubtless, by a lake with an unpronounceable name.

The British exploring ship Discovery is on her way back from the Antarctic. As polar expeditions go this is regarded as success.

Shoe polish killed a man in Toledo who had been dancing for several hours. Some will be mean enough to say that he died of brain fever.

And now it is an Ohio man who has been brought back to life by the timely administration of adrenal chloride. It is still safer not to die, however.

Russian heroes are rewarded with crosses of St. George. No doubt the crosses are lovely, but new suspenders would probably come in handier.

The touching poem about Mary and her lamb was written in 1830. At the rate of one per diem for 74 years, how many parodies upon it have been written?

Friends of Hetty Green are worried because she has left Hoboken. If she had taken it with her they would have considered her action more rational.

A correspondent of the New York Sun wants to know what a man should wear Sunday nights. Down this way they sometimes wear an air of pious resignation.

Prof. Mosso, the eminent scientist, says that the more enfeebled people's nerves are, the longer they live. We fear the professor hasn't much of a chance for long life.

The Alabama, it seems, has beaten the remarkable record just established by the Kearsage. The men behind the guns in the U. S. navy certainly know how to shoot.

Some of us are justified at last. Herbert Spencer's autobiography says: "After reading six books of the Iliad I felt that I would rather give a large sum than read to the end."

The reverend brethren are arguing the question as to whether man is saved by faith or works. To the theologically uninformed layman, it seems as if a little of both were to be desired.

An eastern woman is going around telling people how to make rolls. Unfortunately she doesn't suggest methods of acquiring rolls big enough to enable the owners to purchase every thing in sight.

A Paterson (N. J.) woman wants a divorce because her husband smokes a pipe. He might adjust matters by cutting down the allowance enough to make it possible to provide himself with cigars.

A Boston man has been sentenced to twenty years in prison for stealing \$300,000. This is discouraging. They would hardly have given him more than that if he had taken a barrel of flour or a suit of clothes.

Some men are painfully sensitive. A New York gentleman has just changed his name, by permission of the supreme court, from "W. H. Maloney" to "W. M. Malden," because people frequently addressed him as "Bologna."

The discovery that it cost the Japs only \$100,000 to bombard Vladivostok for an hour will likely make bombardment a popular pastime for some of our society people who are seeking a cheap form of entertainment for the coming summer.

School boys of Findlay, Ohio, imitating the older savages in the colleges, caused the death of a 9-year-old boy by hazing, and the lad's mother is dying from shock and grief. Honestly, now, is it worth all this just to be barbarously funny?

Out of eighty students of Johns Hopkins university examined as to their knowledge of the Bible only one could identify a quotation. It would be interesting to know how intelligently these students read some of the classics—Milton, for example.

## GERMAN SOLDIERS HAVING SHARP FIGHTING IN AFRICA.

Special dispatches to the Berlin Lokal Anzeiger from a correspondent in German Southwest Africa describe the encounter of Major Von Glasenapp's column and a force of Hereros at Oksharu, while the German column was on the way to Omlatu. The road traverses the thorn thickets. Early in the morning the Hereros attempted to surround and cut off the rear guard of Maj. Von Glasenapp's force, consisting of Fisher's company, which was numerous, well armed and partly mounted. The enemy opened a vigorous fire lasting three and a half hours, the rear guard having been reinforced by Count Brockdorff's company, and First Lieut. Manshold's artillery. The enemy were pursued for an

The artillery action was brilliant. The Germans suffered from want of serviceable horses, having only twenty-one animals capable of scouting. The enemy withdrew in a northerly direction. Major Von Glasenapp marched on Otikwara, intending to make an attack. An official account of the engagement with the Hereros says ninety-two of the enemy's dead were counted. Col. Leutwein, governor of German Southwest Africa, announces that the German main force left Okasandja, April 7 for Otjosafu. The Southwest African correspondent of the Cologne Gazette, Dr. Moellenhof, has sent his paper a graphic



COL. THEODOR LEUTWEIN, GOVERNOR-GENERAL.



MAP OF SCENE OF UPRISING.

hour, but escaped, leaving fifty-two of their number dead. In the meantime the head of the column, under Lieber, had a sharp fight lasting an hour. The German losses were Lieut. Noerr, four non-commissioned officers and twenty-eight privates killed and Lieut. Hildebrand, four non-commissioned officers and eleven men wounded.

### THE YOUTH'S SOFT SNAP.

Ex-Senator's Indorsement Seemed a Trifle Unkind.

Ex-Senator Mason of Illinois, was seated with a party of friends in a Washington cafe one evening, when the circle was joined by the son of a big western capitalist, whose main aim in life seemed to be a continuous jubilee. He was of that class inelegantly known as "butter in" and it was soon evident that his presence was distasteful to the senator. "My old man doesn't put up a cent for me," said the young man, displaying a fat roll of greenbacks. "I'm on my own resources." "How do you manage it?" asked one of the party. "You must have some sort of a 'snap.'" "This is my 'snap,'" said the gay spendthrift, impressively touching his head. "And there's not a softer 'snap' in the world," assented Senator Mason.

### Famous War Correspondent.

Sir William Howard Russell, who without his knighthood would still be Dr. Russell, is eighty-four years of age. He is a war correspondent who won his spurs in the Crimea, giving some of the most remarkable letters ever written. He was also present at the siege of Lucknow, another grand opportunity that he did not fail to make the most of. The Italian campaign of 1859, the American civil war, the Danish war, the Franco-Prussian struggle and many campaigns in Africa, he also witnessed, and he made firm friend of King Edward, whom he accompanied as honorary private secretary on his eastern tour in 1875-6.

### College President in Dilemma.

When President Nicholas Murray Butler was at college certain freshmen of his time made no scruple of stealing a pall of milk which a dairyman placed outside the door of Mr. Butler's room while the occupant was in class. In order to foil the marauders the future president of Columbia composed one day a formidable ledger, which he printed in very deep letters and placed over the pall. It read: "I have poisoned this milk with arsenic. Upon his return he found the milk intact, but added to his notice were these appalling words: "So have we."

### Manufacture of Ozone.

An English engineer is said to have found a process for manufacturing ozone that is much simpler than those used heretofore and permits of a larger deduction. Ozone is by him produced in an apparatus into which atmospheric air is forced by means of an air pump. An electric alternating current of 130 volts in three amperes, changed through a transformer to 1,100 volts, is then introduced. Through electric discharge in the apparatus ozone is engendered.

### Works for Money for Charity.

Miss Minta Cramer, an heiress to thousands of dollars, a beautiful girl, leader in society circles of Vienna, O., has pledged herself to raise \$50 for the support of a missionary in Armenia. For the last two weeks she has done the washing for a few families in Vienna, and has earned \$12. The balance of the money, \$38, she will raise by working as an ordinary hand in the Enterprise Manufacturing Company's factory. Her father is wealthy.

letter describing the relief of Omaruru on Feb. 4. When the garrison of Omaruru heard the firing of the artillery of the relief corps twenty-five of the beleaguered force made a sortie against the enemy, who held a natural fortification consisting of a line of cliffs, projecting rocks. "After being driven from this position the Hereros took up a new one, contesting the ground inch by inch, and leaving a number of dead at every rallying point. "The Hereros lost about a hundred, killed or wounded, of their approximate total, 600 men. "The German loss was eight men killed and ten wounded."

### CASE OF RELATIVE VALUES.

Apt Reply Earned Renomination for Robert Toombs.

Frequent complaint has been made of late because members of congress have absented themselves from sessions. This reminded Congressman Hardwick of Georgia of an occurrence many years ago. Robert Toombs was a candidate to succeed himself, but was accused by an opponent of being absent a great deal. The matter was brought up by his rival for the nomination at a joint debate and this was Bob's reply: "Fellow citizens, for the sake of argument we will admit that the charge brought by my opponent is true and that I have been absent from the sessions of the house. Admitting, as I say, for the sake of the argument, that it is true, I will ask you this question, Which can you better afford, to have me in congress and absent from the sessions, or have this man in congress and have him present at the sessions?" The contest was settled on the spot, for Toombs was elected by his usual huge majority.

### Plan Monument to Bjornson.

The Norwegians of the Red river valley will hold a festival in Fargo on May 17, the Norwegian national holiday, when a monument in honor of Bjornstjerne Bjornson will be unveiled there. The movement to erect this monument was started some time ago by the Norwegians in Abercrombie, N. D., and was later taken up by the Norwegians throughout the state. The granite block which will be used as the monument was procured in Norway recently by Dr. Fielde of Abercrombie. The governors of Wisconsin and South Dakota have signified their intention of attending the festivities.

### American Medical Association.

Atlantic City, N. J., the famous resort, is to be the scene, June 7-10, of the annual meeting of the American Medical Association—the great national organization of physicians, surgeons and specialists. A half fare rate has been granted by the Trunk Lines association, and will probably be granted in other sections of the country. Physicians of the country are much elated over the prospects for the largest meeting ever held.

### Mesopotamia is Fertile.

The soil of Mesopotamia is one of the most fertile in the world, and the climate would readily permit of two crops annually. Oil springs are frequent, and there is every probability that the subterranean wealth of the province could easily make it a rival of Baku or Pennsylvania. There are abundant quarries of gypsum, sandstone, and the finest white marble, while the mountains contain deposits of iron, copper, lead and gold.—Consular Report.

### Journalist Knows Many Languages.

Dr. E. J. Dillor, a correspondent of the London Telegraph, is said to know more languages than any living journalist. He has written several books in Russian, is a doctor of oriental languages and possesses a thorough knowledge of Sanscrit, Arabic and Hebrew. He speaks fluently English, Russian, French, German, Dutch, Spanish and Italian, and during the Cretan war made a speech to the surgeons from a ladder in modern Greek.

### TOO BUSY TO MAKE NOISE.

Kindergarten Scholar Was Engaged in Pretty Hard Task.

According to the Kansas City Star, a kindergarten teacher of that city was incapacitated from work one day recently by a somewhat startling incident.

The subject of the lecture and object lesson was animals, birds and then more animals.

"Now, children," said the teacher. "I want each of you to think of some animal or bird and try for a moment to be like the particular one you are thinking about, and make the same kind of noises they are in the habit of making."

Here was the command: Here the finale.

Instantly the schoolroom became a menagerie. Lions roaring, dogs barking, birds singing and twittering, cows lowing, calves bleating, cats meowing, etc., all in an uproar and excitement—all, with one single exception. Off in a remote corner a little fellow was sitting perfectly still, apparently indifferent and unmindful of all the rest. The teacher observing him, approached and said:

"Waldo, why are you not taking part with the other children?" "Waving her off with a deprecating hand and wide, rebuking eyes, he fervently whispered:

"Sh—sh—sh, teacher! I'm a 'ooster, and I'm a-layin' a aig!"

### WHAT CHINESE NAMES MEAN.

Geographical Prefixes and Suffixes "All Have a Significance."

A few definitions of Chinese geographical prefixes and suffixes may be of service in elucidating the nomenclature of current war news. First, prefixes: Ta, as in Taku, means great, and siao, as in Siao-Ping-Thou, means small. Pei or pe, nan, tung and si are respectively north, south, east and west. Thus the Pei-Ho is the North River, etc. Shang and hai are upper and lower. Pai, hei and whang are white, black and yellow. Suffixes are more numerous and familiar. Kiang, ho, tchu, ula, muren and tchu each and all mean river. Thus Yalu Kiang and Liao Ho are simply Yalu River and Liao River. Shui, kou, tshuan, khi, soi and usu are unfamiliar terms, meaning a brook or small river. Hu, knor and omo mean lake, as in the well-known Lob Nor and Kossu Gol. Po, tse and tien mean a small lake or swamp, or a town situated near such a place. Hai means sea; thus Whang-Hai is the Yellow Sea, Tung-Hai is the Eastern Sea and Nan-Hai is the Southern Sea. Tao and sometime shan means island, but shan more often means a mountain range. Ling is a pass over a mountain range.

### He Won With Western Methods.

Lieut. Somerville of the British navy recently related the following in an address before the Royal Geographical Society: "The New rapid of the Yangtse was formed in 1896. The land slipped in after the heavy rains and filled up the bed of the river. No one up above knew anything about it and as the junks were coming down 500 were wrecked in a whirlpool at the foot of the rapid. The story is that it was the work of a dragon. A friend of mine—Ferdinand Tyler—was sent up there by the Chinese government and he tried to exorcise the dragon. This landslip, so it was said, had been formed by the dragon turning over in his sleep. Mr. Tyler telegraphed to ask permission to begin. They telegraphed him that first of all the ancient methods must be tried to see if the dragon could not be moved and then, if he would not move, western methods might be attempted. Well, the dragon would not move and Mr. Tyler started with dynamite and shifted a bit of the river."

### Lipton's Gallantry.

That Sir Thomas Lipton is much of a Chesterfield needs no confirmation, though this story, which is added testimony, shows that he happily turned a well-worn joke and gave comfort in defeat. Among his guests on the Erin one day before the races were sailed was a fetching miss of seventeen who wished him a sweeping success.

### "I'm confident I've the better boat."

"Yes," she assented coyly. "There's many a slip between the cup and the Lip."

### I would be amply compensated for defeat,"

he replied, with a bow, "if the slip were a slip of a girl like you."—New York Herald.

### Largest Searchlight.

The General Electric Company of St. Louis is building the largest searchlight made. It is to take 300 amperes, and the lens is seven feet in diameter. It will be used on top of a tower which is being built adjoining the world's fair grounds. It is not unlikely that experiments with telephony over this searchlight beam will be made during the progress of the fair.

### Love and Money.

When Love dies, alack! The whole world puts on black; The light of day Turns to lead gray; The roses sicken and fade, The song of the birds is still, Music is hushed and afraid, And all that was good is ill; The heart is a broken thing; The blood runs pale and cold; Of this bereft, There is nothing left; But the greed and gain of gold. —William J. Lampton.

### Irishmen Seek Land.

The town of Castlemary, County Cork, forms part of the estate of the Earl of Shannon, and is to be sold at auction. The householders and the tenants of land within the township area will bid with a view to becoming absolute owners.

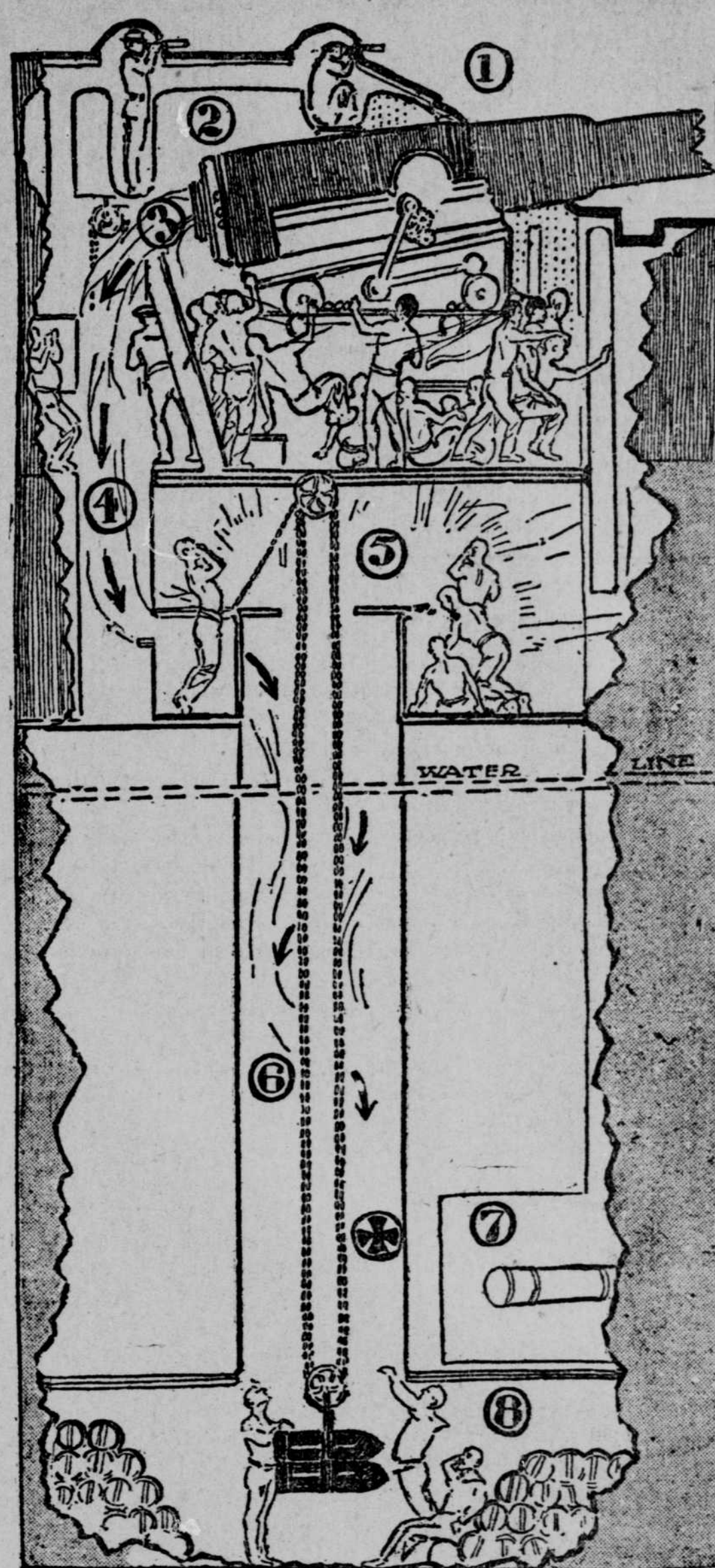
### Whalebone Prices Advance.

Two and a half tons of whalebone has just been sold at Dundee at the rate, it is understood, of £3,000 a ton, or £200 a ton higher than the previous record price. Early last century the price was £25 a ton.

### Rewards for Life Savers.

Rewards for saving 709 lives from shipwrecks were paid last year by the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, to which the king has just sent his annual subscription of £21.

## HOW THIRTY-FIVE SAILORS DIED ON U. S. BATTLESHIP



### SHOWING HOW THE MISSOURI EXPLOSION HAPPENED.

No. 1, the turret; 2, interior of turret; 3, the breech of the twelve-inch turret gun, showing how the back draft blew the flash back to the powder piled up for the next charge; 4, the hoist, down which the flame swept that ignited the 1,600 pounds of powder in the handling room; 5, 6 is the hoist communicating with the magazine, and the cross shows the point the flames reached before they met the water by which the magazine was flooded and by which the ship was saved from being completely destroyed; 7, torpedo tube; 8, the magazine.

### WELCOME TO "UNCLE RUSSELL."

Aged Financier Pleased at Cordiality of Brokers.

Russell Sage was seen in Broad street, New York, the other day for the first time in over a year, and the occasion was seized by a crowd of brokers who make their headquarters in front of the Exchange building to give him an ovation. Mr. Sage's right hand was converted into a pump handle and one young broker stood off from the crowd and shouted: "What's the matter with Uncle Russell?" Instantly the reply came: "He's all right!" The aged financier was evidently much pleased by the warmth of his greeting, and he lifted his hat and bowed all around, just like a man who has been elected a school trustee by his admiring townsmen. For two years Russell Sage has been seen on the street only at intervals, which have been gradually widening during the last year.

### MUSICIAN'S REBUKE MORE GENTLE THAN WAS DESERVED.

Dr. Hans Richter, the great musical conductor, who entered on his sixty-second year a few days ago, is noted for his absolute mastery and ease while wielding the baton. The noted German was rehearsing in London on one occasion when a peculiar little tapping sound, soft but most irritating, caught his attention. After enduring it for some minutes in silence he looked around for the offender, and said, in his broken English: "I must ask you not to beat time with your foot;" and then quietly added, as if it had only just occurred to him: "When I am conducting, I cannot always agree with your foot!" The expression of his face drew the sting out of the sarcasm, and everybody laughed.

### SCHOOL TO TEACH AUCTIONEERING.

Col. Carey M. Jones of Davenport, a well-known live stock auctioneer, in association with a number of other prominent auctioneers, will open in July in Davenport, Iowa, a school of auctioneering and oratory. The aim of the school will be to develop auctioneers capable of rolling off talk by the yard. There will be courses in oratory, grammar and other branches and a competent specialist in charge of each department. Col. Jones conducted sales of fancy cattle in seventeen states of the union last year.

### Churchmen of Strong Characters.

Dr. Ingram, bishop of London, conveys the idea of a man born to command. It has been said of him that in olden days he probably would have enforced his special brand of theology with a battle ax. In his ordinary clothes he irresistibly reminds one of Sherlock Holmes on the trail—a long aquiline nose, piercing gray eyes, lean, strong jaw and thin, curving lips. But with his smile all this vanishes and the bishop becomes a genial humorist—a large-hearted, warm-blooded man.

## AS THE WORLD REVOLVES

STABBED PREMIER OF SPAIN.

Anarchist at Barcelona Falls in Attempted Murder.

Premier Maura of Spain was attacked and wounded at Barcelona April 12 by a would-be assassin armed with a dagger.

The premier had just returned from a requiem service for the repose of the soul of the late Queen Isabella, when a youth, 19 years old, named Joaquin Miguel Artao, approached, and shouting, "Long live anarchy," struck the premier in the chest with a dagger he had concealed in a handkerchief. Artao was immediately seized and imprisoned. The premier himself was able to send to Madrid the news of the attempt on his life.

The force of the blow was broken and its direction diverted by the heavy lace on the minister's coat, resulting in only a slight scratch under the sixth rib.

Joaquin Miguel Artao, the assailant, is an anarchist, and when arrested at-



PREMIER MAURA

tempted suicide by dashing his head against the wall. He declared he had no accomplices, but had acted on his own initiative because of his hatred of Maura's politics.

### GOT TIRED OF APPLAUSE.

Actor Weary of the Efforts of Hired Claque.

The claque is now a recognized institution in some New York playhouses, but the hired applauders have not come to understand their duties nearly so well as their Parisian prototypes. At one of these theaters the other evening the leading man was brought before the curtain half a dozen times after a good scene, chiefly through claqueurs' efforts. The actor, rather disgusted with the made-to-order enthusiasm, was bowing himself off when the most vociferous claqueur broke into another volley. The leading man paused, held up his hand, and said, when silence was restored, "Stop it, my good friend. I believe you would enquire a miracle." This produced a real curtain call, to which the actor smilingly responded.

### JOKE ON SECRETARY SHAW.

Washington Laughs at Ingenuity of Statesman's Excuse.

A government scientist not long ago gave a dinner in Washington in honor of Speaker Henderson. The scientist halls from the hawklike state, so it was distinctively an Iowa dinner. Of course Secretary Shaw was a guest, and he was the only one absent when 7 o'clock arrived. The host waited half an hour and then gave orders to serve. At exactly 7:55 the secretary of the treasury was announced. His explanation has been a joke among the Iowa contingent in Washington ever since. "I thought this dinner was for 8 o'clock," said he, in evident embarrassment. "I arrived outside at 7:30 by my watch. It was so early I decided to walk up and down the street till I saw someone else come. But no one came, and so I had to enter alone."

### NOT TO BE IMPOSED ON.

Little Jarky's Humorous Assertion of His Rights.

Congressman James of Kentucky, a giant in stature and weight, was standing with some friends on the rear platform of a Washington street car. The platform was rather crowded and Mr. James did not observe that a little colored boy was there until he felt a punch in the small of his back. He looked around and the little dandy said: "Ain't gwine have you stan' all over me, man." Mr. James replied with mock severity: "Don't you know that if you lick anybody here you'll get arrested?" "Done care nothin' 'bout dat. You ain't gwine stan' all over me no mo'." The little chap's sturdy attitude was enough to win him a quarter all around from the Kentuckian and his friends.

### Only Known Woman Coal Miner.

There is only one woman coal miner in Missouri, and she has but one arm. Miss Minnie Petrie began to work in the mine of her nephew, Theodore Petrie, near Fulton, a few years ago because he could not get as many men as he wanted. The first day she worked she wore feminine clothes, but finding them unsuitable the next day she wore an old suit of her nephew's and, attired in men's clothes, she has been digging coal ever since. She is 50 years old.

### Actor's Stage Experience.

Ludovic Barnay, the famous German actor of villain parts, doubtless has had more experience in dying than most other members of his profession. He has met death on the stage something over 1,000 times, 814 being by suicide. About a dozen other modes of exit are mentioned in his recently published memoirs. By way of cheerful set-off against this wholesale decease, Herr Barnay was married 1,171 times, over half of his unions having been bigamous.