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That a business reaction of moderate proportions has set in is undeniable. but in view of the liberal crops and other favorable factors, it is not reasonable to expect anything approaching commercial paralysis.

It is easy to agree with Henry Clews that no such excesses have taken place in the business world as were com-

mitted in the field of stock speculation. Mr. Clews further remarks very sensibly that, "while industry and Sir Ben carnival to be held October I trade must inevitably share the financial reaction, there is no reason for tet of attractions, will be larger than expecting the same degree of depres- ever betore. There will be a great sion in the former as has been endured

in the latter. "Depression is always the after-effect of overdoing or overdoing or overproduction, and when the industrial markets become as surfeited with goods as the financial markets were with securities, then we may expect serious reaction in general business, As it is, the latter is suffering chiefly from sympathy with Wall street, and also from high costs of production. The first cause affects new enterprises, of which we are having rather too many, and the second is largely due to

the labor movement. "Every day it is becoming more and more apparent that industry is being checked by high-priced raw materials and labor; for consumers cannot afford present high prices, and some form of readjustment will have to take

place before the equilibrium between prly and demand is restored to rmal. This is not an immediate contingency, but it is one to be kept n light; one to be anticipated not the fear but with satisfaction as an proach to a more normal and subcential basis than we have been workag under for the last two or three

"It is a mistake to think that high dees mean general prosperity. These enefit only the few, and sometimesk the haste or indiscretions of these who should know better. The masses are benefited most by moderate prices and by moderate and better distributed profits, which insure a wider distribution of products and more steady employment for the larger number.

"It is a notorious fact that hundreds of millions of construction work is and that moderate concessions in either would impart fresh life into a most important branch of business, partmenes of industry. If this is the sort of reaction that is now impending there is little occasion for fear The readjustment might cause some temporary disturbance, and will therefore meet with dislike; but when it is stable condition, and so far as the stock market is concerned recent discounted this probability."

Wants to Suppress W. R. Hearst.

The newspapers owned by William Randolph Hearst are waging war against John D Rockefeller because he controls such an enormous amount These articles are known as "doublets." of wealth and absorbs an income so The board of appraisers, however, came diabolically large. These newspapers to the conclusion that the articles in comment editorially upon the atrocity dispute were not made that way, and of one man having so much, but the remedy isn't even so much as hinted at. In an able editorial, written some fifteen years ago, we called the attention of congress, the president and the supreme court to the wretched manner in which we were all being soaked by Rockefeller, and asked if something couldn't be done to head him off and, in the interest of the greatest good to the greatest number, give the rest of the men interested in the oil business a chance to turn an honest penny. To this appeal congress made no re-ponse, the president answered nothing, and the supreme court was as silent as the grave Since then the fortune of Mr Rockefeller has doubled and doubled again, and every gift the man has made to endow a university or build a house of worship has been followed by an advance in the price of petroleum sufficient to meet the expenditure in full and fatten his exchequer by anywhere from \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000. By the observance of this conservative business method, all the bread he has ever cust upon the water has returned to him in thirty days multiplied many fold, and his joy in doing good has been thereby greatly augmented. It is a a wonder that some political party has falled to see the advantage of a declaration in favor of government ownership and control of John D, Rockefeller, because all other trusts and combinations are innocent in comparison. Mr. Rockefeller is dangerous because of the methods he has employed in silencing competition and the wealth at his command with which to carry out his nefarious plots. Nevertheless we are astonished that the pot should call the kettle black. Mr Hearst is reputed to be worth at least \$80,000,000. He owns three mighty yel low newspapers devoted to sensation alism; to distorting facts, exalting fiction, and thereby poisoning the minds of the people. The meanest thing Mr. Rockefeller does is to sell us oil that has to be dried before it will burn, bu Hearst feeds us with contumacious

in the Lincoln Journal.

falsehoods and calls it news. And he

poses as the particular friend and

champion of the great comman peo-

ple, for which generous condescension

he hopes to be made president of the

United States. Head him off!-Bixby,

Half Rates to Comaha and Back. On October 2, 5, 6, 7 and 8 the Bur lington will sell tickets to Omaha at one fare for the round trip for the Akto 10. This year's carnival, in the matnumber of entirely new features, among which are "The Cave of the Winds," "Temple of Music," "Ben Hur" and "Loop the Loop." Flower parade on the afternoon of October 7 A gorgeous electrical parade by the Knights of Ak Sar Ben on the evening of October 8. Don't miss it. For full particulars ask the agent.

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Customs officials of the government are learning something every day about artificial gents and how they are made, An expert anowledge is required to be also to tell the cliference between the artificial and the genuine. The board of scheral appraisers in New York has recently had before it the question of what rate of only should be accresse on artifold rubbes, which how take the held up by high cost of iron and labor, that the are Belgi rather are properly a report from that city. General Appraiser be Vries rendered an opinion dutiable at ten per vent, ad valorem as precious stones out, but not set, either the same being true of some other de- firectly or by similitude, under the provisions of section 7, paragraph 435, of the Dingley act. The decision of Mr. De Vries has been forwarded to the treasury department.

The rubies in question were invoiced as "reconstructed rubles." They were consigned to a firm in St. Louis, which over business will be in much more took an appeal from the decision of the surveyor of the port in that city that they were dutiable at 20 per cent. ad heavy declines seem to have freely valorem. At the hearing of the case a member of the importing firm testified that the artificial rubies were made of little chips of rubies that come from the rough ruby in the cutting of the latter, united together with glass and put into a kiln. They are subjected to such a high degree of heat, he said, that they are assembled and combined together. that they are really artificial rubies.

The process of manufacture of artificial rubies has been known for a quarter of a century to certain scientists in Europe, and for many years was preserved as a secret by the French Academy of Sciences. Within recent years, however, defections on the part of the workmen, necessar''" intrusted with the secret of manufacture, have imparted this information to others, and the process of manufacture has become known and the subject of scientific treatises and publications.

PRICE TAGS ON CLOTHES.

Possition Italian Custom Whitel Would from Well Suited to Some Americane.

A peculiar custom of the peasantry in remote parts of Italy, according to a correspondent, is the wearing of price tags on new dresses and suits of clothes. While in most countries the custom obtains of promptly removing such indication of the purchase price the moment a garment is bought, rural folk in Italy take pains to sew them on the more securely, in order that they may not drop off accidentally. This practice is indulged in by the more prosperous peasantry, corresponding to the well-to-do farmer class of this country.

The observer of social conditions, remarks an American exchange, may well ask why this custom of wearing price marks on clothes has not found favor in this country, where ostentation on the part of our "new rich" runs riot. Many a woman of wealth is heard to complain that her maid servant, on a much smaller outlay, by wearing cheap but almost perfect imitations of the original, can present as fashionable an appearance as herself. The plush garment of modish design often looks as well as the sealskip costing ten times as much; paste ornaments cannot be told from diamonds, except by the expert. Complaint of the same character is made by the man who patronizes an expensive tailor. The great improvements effected by the manufacturers of ready-made clothing have made it possible for the \$16-a-week clerk to appear as well dressed as his \$1,000-a-week employer. All this is, of course, most distressing to the person who wishes to get the worth of his or her money. What is the use of wearing expensive clothes if one's neighbors do not appreciate them? The universal wearing of price tags would remove this difficulty and the woman with a new \$100 rown or \$50 hat would derive twice it e satisfaction from wearing them that she does at present-that is, provided her neighbors were wearing nothing better. One danger, to be sure would be the incentive to prevarioutly it would be so easy to change the ligures. But anything would be boster than running the risk, as at present, of having a new \$100 gown mistaken for last year's make-over."

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Grewsome details of a man-eating orgy are furnished in the annual report on British New Guinea, lately presented to the commonwealth parliament. The information is supplied by a resident magistrate, before whom six natives had been brought charged with murder and cannibalism, reports the London Express.

Two women and a boy were the witnesses. Laido, one of the women, swore that the people of her village had eaten four neighboring villagers. The victims were two men and two women, who had come ashore at Laido's village in a wrecked canoe.

They were got out of the canoe, said Laido, and a man named Lakapona speared one of the men.

"Then came Taubara," the woman continued. "He took his tomahawk and willed the other man with two blows upon the neck. Wariwarubu then i illed a woman with a blow of a tournawk He held her hair in one hand and struck her on the neck with a tomahawl, held in the other hand. Gilinua then killed the other woman, also by a blow with a tomahawk.

"I saw those four people killed. I saw with mine own eyes the four men I have named kill them. When the four persons were dead the people made a oir fire and scorched their bedies on it.

"Then they cut pieces off with i nives and put these pieces into pots and cooked them. And when they were cooked the people—and there were many -sat down and ate of the flesh."

Had these people done her people any injury? Laido was asked. No. she said; it was deliberate, cold-blooded

"Let us kill these people," one of the murderers had said, "but no one is to talk about it, because of the police and the government that will come and pun-

In view of this occurrence it is interesting to note that New Guinea is officially recommended to colonizers as a "charming health resort."

Not to Be Baffled.

Mrs. Bangs-So that pretty widow is really married so soon again, eh? Old Bangs-You bet! "But her late husband's will express-

husband, her legacy was to revert to his most distant relative." "That's where she was foxy. She hunted up the relative and married him. -Smart Set.

ly stipulated that, if she took a second

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