

Pretty Lena Winters tripped into ! the shoe store of E. Perkins & Co. and walked directly up to the "ourvisaged proprietor.

"O, Mr. Perkins," she said, in her most coaxing tones and manner, "won't you buy a ticket to the wishbone social our church is to give Thursday night-only 25 cents?"

She looked so sweet and winsome that Walter Hodge, standing near, wondered how anyone could refuse her anything she asked.

Twenty-five cents, however, looked more handsome to E. Perkins than any vision of feminine beauty.

"No, I won't," he snapped out. "It's nothing but give, give all the time, and the more we give the bigger the church debt grows. It's just a big steal cloaked under rummage sales. fairs and all kinds of tomfooleryjust to give you women a chance to gad and hear an entertainment. You ain't working for the Lord. You're just trying to have a good time and catch a fellow."

Walter Hodge's eyes looked dangerous, but Lena's only twinkled merrily.

"Oh, Mr. Perkins!" she said, "you don't know how hard we work. It's no play to get up a church entertainment.'

"I tell you that you don't know what work is. I'd give \$100 to see any two of you church women do a half a day's work-man's work, I

Mr. Perkins groaned in apprehension when posters announcing the contest stared him in the face for the next two days. Handbills were constantly thrown in his door and thrust into his hand.

One ray of hope was left to him. Lena Winters, that slight, frivolous little thing, would not be able to plow one row.

From different motives Walter Hodge was also concerned about Lena's part in the program. He met her on the street Wednesday evening and they strolled away in an opposite direction from Lena's home,



"I'll collect of Perkins," volun-AS TO A PLATFORM. teered Walter, and as it was a commission no one else sought, he went

REPUBLICANS SHOULD FACE THE

cratic Hostility to the Tariff to

preserved from attack from aproad,

the American public shall be protect-

ed from aggression and oppression at

home by combinations in restrict of

As to tariff and trusts nothing more

than this is needed; it tells the whole

story. As to reciprocity, let the con-

vention readopt the declaration of

1900 restricting trade concessions to

articles that do not in any manner

compete with domestic production.

This done, the people will know how

to decide-whether to turn the coun-

try over to a party whose tariff mak-

ing has invariably been destructive

to business, or to keep the power of

legislation in the hands of the party

whose history is one unbroken record

of devotion to the country's best and

More Democratic Blundering.

The Democrats of California and

Wisconsin use almost the same lan-

guage about the Panama canal. They

are in favor of that great work-they

would not dare to array themselves

against it-but they denounce the

administration for that policy which

has secured the canal for the nation

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have always been for an interoceanic

canal, but they condemn the methods

of the administration in securing the

Panama right of way "as destructive

of the integrity of a confederated re-

public." The Wisconsin Democrats

are for the canal, but they regret that

that "great project is stained with

evidence of dishonorable intrigue

against the integrity of a friendly

The territorial integrity of Colom-

bia seems to be of quite as much con-

cern to these Democrats in search of

issues as is the isthmian canal. The

sympathy expressed for that so-called

States had been straightforward and

upright, while that of Colombia had

been tortuous and dishonest. To say

and the world.

republic."

highest good .- American Economist.

trade."

Maintain Uncompromising Adherence to the Principle and Policy of Protection.

It being now on all sides conceded that the tariff is to be the one overshadowing issue in the presidential campaign of 1904, it is interesting to consider the form in which that issue is to be presented. Many persons seem to have formed the opinion that the contest is to be conducted on new lines; that on one side the attack on protection is not going to be so fierce and so uncompromising as in former years, while on the other side there will be shown a disposition to concede and conciliate. This opinion carries with it two implications that we believe will be found to be wholly erroneous. First, the assumption is that the Democrats are going to abate something of their traditional hatred of the protection principle, and, second, that the Republicans are disposed to relax something of the rigor of their devotion to that princi-

ple. It is on one hand assumed that this year the issue is not to be free trade vs. protection, because the Democrats, grown wiser from past defeats, will not repeat the error of standing openly for free trade or its twin brother, tariff for revenue only, but will content themselves with attacking what they term the abuses of protection and with a partial smashing of tariff protection by means of reciprocity concessions.

"We go forth with tariff reduction republic is insincere, and the censure and genuine reciprocity inscribed on of the administration is unjust. The our banners." documents submitted to congress showed that the policy of the United

This was the announcement made by Champ Clark of Missouri, second in command of the Democratic forces in congress. This undoubtedly reflects the Democratic position and purpose that that country was a "friendly re-



A Gambler Worth \$5,000,000.

For the next two years at least there will be little done in the gambling business in New York-that is, there will be few, if any, large houses maintained. Since the Jerome witness bill was passed and signed in New York state it has become a very dangerous business. Richard Canfield is not to run a house there while Jerome is in power. He has sold a piece of property for \$125,000 that he would not have taken \$200,000 for six months ago. It is understood that Candeld is to part with all his real estate in New York and expatriate himself. Canfield is said to be worth \$5,000,000, and the least figure placed on his fortune is \$3,000,000. Since he has never been engaged in any industrial or commercial business the inference is that he made all his money in speculating on the turn of cards-he supplying the cards.

Russian Papers' Scare Heads.

The present war has produced the first heading containing more than a single line ever published in a Russian newspaper. Previously the most important news had never been so honored and the death of Queen Victoria was announced without any heading.

Mr. Albee's Opinion.

Alpine, Cal., June 6 .- Mr. T. M. Albee, our postmaster, has expressed an opinion based on his own experience which will no doubt be of interest to many. Mr. Albee is a man of few words, but his well known truthfulness and uprightness of character adds much weight to any statement he makes. He says:

"The first box of Dodd's Kidney Pills that I used convinced me of their good qualities and I used altogether four boxes with the very best results. I can heartily recommend this remedy."

This voluntary expression of opinion will doubtless find an echo in many homes in California for Dodd's Kidney Pills have been making some miraculous cures in this state.

From the evidence already published it seems safe to conclude that this medicine will be found to be a perfect cure for rheumatism, urinary trouble, backache and any and every form or symptom of kidney complaint.

Always say your prayers before going to bed-if it's a folding bed.

Any man who gets married a second time didn't deserve to lose his first wife.

## Deafness Cannot Be Cured

Dearness Cannot Be Cured by local applications, as they cannot reach the dis-cased portion of the car. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedica. Dearnoss is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a runbiling sound er im-perfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed. Deaf-ness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this sube restored to its normal condi-ion, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of the are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafners (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hair's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, Iree.

by Hair's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free, F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggisza, 75c. Take Hair's Family Pills for constipation.



the old miser wrote his check for

\$100, and Walter triumphantly took it to Lena's father, who was the custodian of the church funds. "I'll believe anything now," was the

So, with groans and imprecations

"I am, Mr. Perkins," r plied Wal-

comment of Mr. Winters, as he read the check.

Then he looked at Walter and gave an odd little laugh.

"You'd better go down and see Lena, Walter."

"Why, Mr. Winters," gasped Walter, "do you mean it?"

"Yes; I can't help myself, Walter, and perhaps it's just as well. Run along. Lena will explain matters." "Will you tell me how this hap-

pens, Lena?" asked Walter joyfully a few moments later. "It was just like this: When I told

at dinner the other day about plowing the field and Mr. Perkins, papa said: 'Don't ever expect impossibilities, Lena. You can't plow a field, and you can't make old Shylock Perkins pay.' 'What'll you bet, papa?' I asked. 'Anything,' he replied. 'All right,' I answered. 'If we plow and Mr. Perkins pays, Walter shall come to the house again.' He agreed. He didn't expect me to win, but, Walter, he was glad of a chance to give in gracefully, for I know he likes you." -Boston Globe.

A Short Ride.

P. A. B. Widener, the traction magnate of Philadelphia, told the other day a story of the boyhood of his son Joseph.

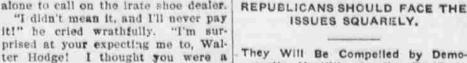
"When Joe," he said, "was a little fellow, a visitor, calling at my house one day, found him in the drawing room, busy with the drawing room chairs, which he had ranged in a row. The visitor sat down on one of the chairs and Joe remonstrated.

"'Here,' he said, 'this is a train of cars.'

"'Very well,' said the visitor, 'I'll be a passenger.'

"But Joe didn't want this grown-un man for a passenger, and so he said: "Where do you want to get off?"

"'Chicago,' was the reply. "'All right,' said Joe. 'This is Chi-



mean. If you could plow a field, you'd know what real work is." Deacon Holmes had dropped in dur-

ing this conversation and was a silent, but interested listener. Lena contemplated Mr. Perkins' re-

flectively for a moment.

"You've given me a new idea, Mr. Perkins," she said thoughtfully. "I was the member chosen to get up some sort of an entertainment this week. My wits suggested nothing but a wishbone social. Now I shall do as you suggest. With your \$100 and the number of tickets I shall sell for such a novel entertainment the church will realize handsomely." "What do you mean? Come back

here!" cried Mr. Perkins.

But Lena was vanishing down the street. That night in the tri-weekly issue of the Hollyville Patriot appeared the following announcement:

"E. Perkins, the well-known shoe dealer, has offered \$100 to see any two of the Plymouth church members



"No, I won'tl' he snapped.

Miss Lena Winters have accepted the challenge and will plow a field at the Lucas farm southeast of Hollyville, on Thursday, 2 p. m. Price of admission 25 cents. Reserved seats on the rail fence. Proceeds of tickets and \$100 offered by Mr. Perkins to go to the church!"

Mr. Perkins gasped and paled and foamed at the mouth when he read this. He swore it was an outrage and a put-up job, and that he would not pay it. It was all a trick of that little upstart of Lena Winters. but Deacon Holmes and Walter Hodge quietly reminded him that they were witnesses, and that the offer and transaction had been explicit and Legan and Lena were escorted to exactly as Miss Winters had stated.

"I didn't mean it, and I'll never pay it!" he cried wrathfully.

for her father had guarreled with Walter's father, and he did not accord the young man welcome to his home.

"Lena," said Walter, "I am glad you took old Perkins up, and I will be glad to see the old miser shell out, but you two women can never do that plowing."

"I'll tell you a secret, Walter. Mrs. Logan in her younger days lived on a farr, and had often helped with the plowing when they were short of help, so her part will be perfectly done. A year ago I was at Uncle Joel's and helped with the plowing plow a field. Mrs. Charles Logan and for the fun of it. The furrows may not be very straight, but we'll plow the field all right."

"But it's such hard work for you, Lena," he said deprecatingly. "Why didn't you let some of the other women do it?"

"Because, Walter, well-more de pends on my plowing that field than you know. It isn't the church debt and coming up with old Perkins alone that inspired this plan-or the carrying out of it."

"What do you mean, Lena?" he asked in surprise.

"I'll tell you to-morrow after the last furrow is furrowed." she said. laughing. "There is one thing you must do. You must use your influence to help make old Perkins cash up."

The sale of tickets to the novel contest had been unprecedented. Thursday afternoon almost the whole town flocked to the field of Farmer Lucas, who lived on the outskirts of Hollyville.

In readiness for the signal stood Lena and Mrs. Logan, in short skirts, stout shoes and broad-brimmed hats, A pair of steady, sober dapple grays were hitched to the plow. Lena and Mrs. Logan were to share the labor equally, alternating in driving and guiding.

When the appointed hour came a bell sounded and amid the cheers of the multitude they started on the first furrow. Across the field they went and back again to the starting line. "Good!" commented the men approvingly, noting the tolerably straight furrows.

The women halted long enough to drink a glass of refreshing lemonade Walter Hodge offered them, and then resolutely took up their work again. When the field was plowed Mrs. their homes by the Holly ille band.

Little White Lily. Little white lily, afloat on the stream, Open your tender heart, wake from your dream; Lift up your face to the kiss of the sun Wake and rejoice that the winter is donei Though you are tiny and humble and frail. Live and be happy, and fear not the gale Little white lily, though soon you must

He loveth all things Who all of us madel Little white lily, there's given unto you, Something to live for and something to do; one heart you bring, seeing you If to there. Thoughts of the Hand that created you

fair If you lift one soul from earth for a Twas for that Heav'n gave you beauty

and grace: Little white lily, although you are small You are His servant, Who fashioned us all!

-Pearson's Weekly.

## Speaker Cannon Saved \$1.50.

William H. Crane, the actor, was introduced to Speaker Cannon one day in the latter's office at the capitol After shaking hands with the star the speaker backed off from him, tip ped his head to one side and, looking at him critically, exclaimed: "Well, do you know, it is a peculiar pleasure to me to see you to-day. It is the first time I ever looked at you without be ing obliged to give up a dollar and a half for the privilege."

"That is the embarrassing part of visiting among these public men," retorted Crane. "It's awfully galling to have to show yourself without getting paid for it."-New York Tribune.

#### Offered a Substitute.

George Otis Draper of Hopedale, whose new book has caused much interest not only for the fact that he is a Draper of Hopedale, but also because his two works now published are unique and unusually original tells of a humorous experience that recently befell him in one of the public libraries of a large city. He was ly and uncompromisingly, yielding interested for a personal reason in nothing, conceding nothing, surrengetting a copy of Patmore's poems The young woman atlendant looked puzzled at the request and said:

"I'm very sorry, sir, but we haven't copy of Tom Moore's poems, perhaps | reciprocity. they will do just as well."

### United States Battleships.

has a length of 301 feet and a dis placement of 6,315 tons. The new Maine has a length of 388 feet and a displacement of 12,500 tons. The and a displacement of 15,000 tons. The California, just launched at San Francisco, has a length of 503 feet and a better than to adopt as the tariff displacement of 14,000 tons. The planks of its platform the following hour. The California is to have a speed of twenty-two knots, or is to be, in spite of her great size, a faster and as fast a ship as that greyhound of the sea, the Columbia.

in the coming campaign. It is not | public" is to do singular violence to free trade in express terms, for that the truth.

would disturb and frighten the country, but it is none the less free trade by indirection. The object remains unaltered-to repeal the present tariff and take away its protective features on the ground that in this way only can trust extortion be checked. and to supplement this direct action by the roundabout method of lowering duties in spots through special reciprocity treaties. This is the Democratic program. Not free trade open and above board, but free trade by stealth.

On the other hand, it is by some Republicans urged that the time has come for surrendering some part of the protectionist position, for relaxing and conceding away the principles of protection to the extent of agreeing to a revision of the Dingley duties immediately following the election of 1904, and in consenting to tariff changes through the medium of reci-Republican party to a declaration, in the tariff question: substance, that the charge of trust and the party stands ready to enter

the convention "stand pat" on pro- for all."" tection. This view is supported by the decision reached at a recent conference of leaders in Washington to the effect that, inasmuch as the tariff ties of the Democratic party in the is to be the main issue, the Republican party should meet the issue bolddering nothing of the principle and policy of protection to American labor and industry, and least of all conniv-

Maintaining such a position as

be maintained to keep American labor ship than the Brooklyn or New York, employed at fair wages and American of it and against Mr. Lucking's free repital engaged at reasonable profit. trade policy .- Saginaw Courier-Her-"2. Capital and labor both beis; ald.

Senator Gorman, who had once the reputation of being an extremely astute individual, tried to make party and personal capital out of the canal question, and failed ingloriously. He erased his name from the list of possible presidential candidates of his party. It is odd that the Democratic platform writers of Wisconsin and California should think they could score a point where he failed so signally.

If a Democratic administration had done what a Republican one has done in the Panama matter the Democrats in their platforms would have "pointed with pride" to the commendable and successful policy they now condemn.

#### A Combination.

The Iowa Democratic state convention of May 4 instructed for W. R. Hearst, reaffirmed the Kansas City procity in competitive products. This platform, with its free silver declaraelement would be glad to commit the tion, and adopted the following on

"We denounce the vicious tariff sheltering and trade restriction has system fostered and perpetuated by been made good against protection, the Republican party, under which the trusts have been born, bred and upon the work of tariff tinkering and fattened, and the species multiplied trade dickering. We do not think until they have every industrial and that this element will dominate the commercial interest by the throat, national convention of 1904. On the and we demand the repeal of every contrary, we confidently expect to see | tariff which denies 'equal opportunity

Yellow Kid, Sixteen to One and Free Trade! There is a combination which illustrates the infinite possibilimatter of assassinating prosperity.

# Truth Briefly Stated.

A specimen of the solid truth as presented in the Illinois Republican platform: "The prospect of a general revision of the tariff by the Democratic party whose leaders in Congress Pat Moore's poems. I have here s principle and policy under cover of are free traders, as their records show, would close the factories and workshops, throw labor out of employment, reduce the price of the products of all the advantage in the contest. It the farm, bring on general distress lesson. Its repetition ought to be unnecessary.

#### Why Change It?

The policy that has made the country prosperous beyond the wildest dream of the most sanguine a score of years ago is that of the protective teeiff. If that policy is right, why change it? If it is wrong, we all should shout the facts and figures are all in favor

The man who has too little confidence in himself generally has too much in others.

Dealers say that as soon as a customer tries Defiance Starch it is impossible to sell them any other cold water starch. It can be used cold or boiled.

No gentleman will swcar before a lady-let her swear first.

DON'T SPOIL YOUR CLOTHES. Use Red Cross Ball Blue and keep them white as snow. All grocers. 5c. a package.

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FITS permanently cured. No fits or nervourness after or. Send for FEE \$2.00 trial both and threat Nervo Du. H. H. KLINE, Ltd., 951 Arch Stroot, Philadelphia, Pa

Figures may not lie, but they very frequently steal.

Willing-"They say Smith treated that man like a brother." Billing-"In what way?" Willling-"Kicked him out of the house."

Hundreds of dealers say the extra quantity and superior quality of Defiance Starch is fast taking place of all other brands. Others say they cannot sell any other starch.

Every right action and .rue thought sets the seal of its beauty on the person and the face.

Sensible Housekeepers

will have Defiance Starch, not alone because they get one-third more for the same money, but also because of superior quality.

Nature has wisely arranged matters so that a man can neither kick himself nor pat his own back.

The man who uses religion as a cloak will sooner or later be warm enough without it.

A man who has no time for charity in this world, will have time to burn 'n the next.

It is better to start right at the beginning than to go back and do it all over again.

Jimmy-"What would you say if I kissed you? Mabel-"You are only wasting time by asking,"

Don't judge a man by his tombstone, for he did not write the epitaph on it.

Your dearest friend is naturally the one that costs you the most money .

Why is it that the lightweight always accuses the scales of being wrong?

ing at any masked assault upon that

this, the Republican party will have Our oldest battleship, the Texas will force the Democrats out into the and paralyze the industries of the open and compel them to declare nation." Experience has taught this their hostility to protection. It will make the issue plain, clear and honest. For example, if the Chicago con-Georgia is to have a length of 435 feet vention wishes to free the campaign of every element of uncertainty as to the principles is volved it could not do

Texas has a speed of sixteen knots an admirable suggestion of the New York Press:

"1. The American tariff system shall for its abolition, but the conditions,