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PROFIT BY LOSS.

This Way.

It is a fact, that to many minds, no Bank of England has always had a loss and destruction of its bank notes. way we are unable to say, but during a period of forty years preceding 1832, the bank had made a clear profit of £1,330,000 from outstanding paper never likely to be presented for payment. When the destruction or the irrecoverable loss of a note can be lly. proved, as in the event of a fire or a wreck it can, the bank, of course, will always pay the money it represents; it, the cash is paid on security being given for indemnifying the bank should

Many years ago a bank director lost a note for £30,000. But being a man of credit, and as there was no doubt about the loss of the bill, he gave the usual indemnity and got the money. Many years after, when the man had long been dead, the paper was presented. It was payable on demand, and had come from abroad in the ordinary way of business, and the sum it represented had to be handed over, and as the indemnity that had been given was repudiated by the heirs of the man could not be enforced, the bank on that occasion had to put £30,000 on the debit side of the account. For once in a way they paid double honor to a bit of their own paper.

the note ever be presented.

There is another story of a sum of £20,000 which the bank in its early days for a short time refused to hand over in exchange for its own notes. They were presented by a Jew, whose asser tion that he had bought them was not disputed, and whose personal integrity was above suspicion. They had, how-Its notes, and as he backed his assertion by displaying his indisputable paper, the assertion would in all probability soon have caused a run on the bank, and in a few minutes a messenger came to say that the notes would be cashed if he would present them again.-London News.

Mormons Losing No Time. Mormon missions have been established in the Philippines.

CAPABLE

MOTHER-

not become pregnant.

HOOD

MAN'S LUNG SPRUNG A LEAK.

The Bank of England Makes Money in That Is Why the Cleveland Hackman

Was to Greatly Swelled. It is not often that a thin man bedoubt must be very curious, that the comes alarmingly obese within twentyfour hours. This, however, was the pretty stendy source of profit in the experience of Martin McHugh, who is a back driver and lives at 216 Hamil-What it has gained of late years in this ton street. Wednesday morning he was too small for his clothes. Several hours later he had a pronounced "bay window," his hands, feet, legs and arms were twice their natural size and his cheeks assumed rotund proportions that surprised the members of his fam-

He did not stop here, but continued to grow big, finally being compelled to discard his clothing and take to a and even when there is doubt about bed. Dr. D. B. Steuer was called. He said it was evident that McHugh's lungs were leaking. This, according to when it was seen that with each breath the rotund portions rose and fell.

In speaking of the curious case Dr. Steuer said last night: "McHugh was injured Wednesday morning by being struck with the thill of a wagon. He felt no immediate effects, but was obliged to go home later in the day. Every portion of his body seemed to ache. He then commenced to bloat, his body swelling to twice its natural size. When called in by the family I saw at once that one of the man's lungs had been injured and was leaking air. who had given it, and for some reason an operation. The body was punct-With Dr. N. Stone Scott I decided on ured. The air came out with alarming force. The disabled lung was then laid bare. It had been injured, a splinter having probably entered the casing. The wound was cleaned and the lung carefully sewed. From last reports the patient was doing nicely and will soon be at his old stand."-Cleveland Leader.

A Valuable Pet. A Minnesota man captured a kingfisher when it was young, made a pet of ever, undoubtedly been stolen, and on it, and trained the bird to capture fish that ground the bank refused to pay and lay them at its master's feet. In the money. The Jew went out into the summer the bird is taken to the river, city, and began to spread it abroad that | where fish are known to abound, and the bank was shaky, and couldn't cash set at liberty. It poises in the air, and suddenly dropping, grasps its victim and promptly delivers the fish to its

gan shooting into the crowd?"

CAPABLE mother must be a healthy mother.

Correct and practical counsel is what the expectant and would-

be mother needs and this counsel she can secure without cost by

Co., Mich., writes:

and consulted a physician, but received no benefit and could

"Seeing one of your books, I wrote to you telling you

my troubles and asking for advice. You an-

swered my letter promptly and I followed

the directions faithfully, and derived so

much benefit that I cannot praise

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Com-

MRS. PERLEY MOULTON,

pregnant and have begun its

use again. I cannot praise it

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM-

I think Lydia E. Pinkham's

Vegetable Compound is an

excellent medicine. I took

several bottles of it before

the birth of my baby and

got along nicely. I had no

after-pains and am now

strong and enjoying good

health. Baby is also fat and

South Monroe St., Balti-

more, Md., writes: "DEAR

MRS. PINKHAM-Before tak-

ing Lydia E. Pinkham's

Vegetable Compound I was

and pride of our home."

MRS. CHAS. GERBIG, 304

healthy."

Thetford, Vt., writes:

pound enough. I now find myself a

without careful physical preparation.

The experience of maternity should not be approached

writing to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass.

MRS. CORA GILSON, Yates, Manistee

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM-Two years ago

I began having such dull, heavy, drag-

ging pains in my back, menses were pro-

fuse and painful and was troubled with

leucorrhœa. I took patent medicines

ratety in Flight. Larry was on the witness stand. "Now, witness," began the judge, "where were you when the prisoner be

"Within a hundred fate, yer Honor." "Then you were a bystander?"

"No, sor; Oi didn't stand a minute; Oi run loike th' wind.'

FIRST BLOOD IS SHED.

FIFTEEN BRITISH SOLDIERS ARE SLAIN BY BOERS.

An Armored Train Is Destroyed Near in actual use is not larger to-day than Mafeking-Victors Shell the Wreckage-Formal Declaration of War Is Made-United States Is Notified.

A dispatch from Cape Town, Africa, says that a British armored train from Mafeking was blown up and destroyed by Fifteen British soldiers were killed and the first blood of the war shed. The Boers shelled the wreckage after the train was derailed. Vryburg is midway between Kimberley and Mafeking on the cape government railroad, which skirts the whole western frontier of the Transvaal and Orange Free State. War was declared Wednesday by the South African republic, the formal declaration going into effect at 10 o'clock Thursday

Having determined to act on the initiative the moment the time specified in their ultimatum should expire, the Boers crossed the Natal border Thursday, thus committing a distinct act of war. The campaign now begun may have far-reaching consequences. The British may be driven out of South Africa, or the Boers may be reduced to their old position as a British dependency. The former result would be but the beginning of the dismemberment of the British empire. President Kruger erred in judgment

when he refused to permit his burghers

Who Is to Command the British Forces in Natal. to raid Natal three weeks ago. Then they might have swept through the colony without much opposition. Now the British forces have been greatly strengthened by the arrival of troops from India, and the task of reducing fortified towns, defended by experienced soldiers, is cer-

tain to prove tedious if not impossible. As long as the British remain on the defensive, as seems to be their policy, the Boers may occupy the famous Laing's Nek, wipe out the 100 men of the naval brigade at Estcourt, destroy bridges and damage railroads, as reported by cable, but their object, the conquest of South Africa, will be as far away as ever. On the other hand, if the British troops at present in the colonies of South Africa hold their own until the army corps from England reach the cape the prospect of an ultimate Boer victory is very doubtful. Real danger threatens British Bechuanaland, where, in Mafeking, Col. Baden-Powell, with a slender command, is awaiting probable extinction at the hands of Commander Cronje and his 4,000 burghers. Such a move would strengthen the Boers' cause, secure native allies and perhaps induce a Dutch revolt in Cape Colony. All this may be accomplished, and yet the real campaign awaits the arrival of the 50,000 British soldiers under the leadership of strategical masters, whose wits and numbers are supposed to be a match for the native craft and courage of the warlike Boer.

Sympathy is largely with the Boers, and the nations of Europe are loud in their denunciations of Great Britain, but academical expressions of good will add nothing to the Transvaal chance of suc-

United States Notified.

The State Department at Washington was notified on Friday of the withdrawal from Pretoria of Conyngham Greene, the British diplomatic agent to the South African Republic, and the existence of a state of war between Great Britain and that republic. Mr. Macrum, the American consul at Pretoria, has accordingly been instructed to undertake the care of the British interests in that section during the war. The notification came to the State Department in the shape of a note from Mr. Tower, the charge of the British embassy there. The details of the transfer of British interests in case of prepared to answer offhand. war had been previously arranged, so that all that was necessary was the dispatch of a brief cablegram to Mr. Mac-

rum at Pretoria. There is no present intention at the State Department to issue a proclamation of neptrality. It has come to be the custom to omit these proclamations their issue, and such an emergency is not expected to occur in South Africa.

TO TRAP AGUINALDO

Lawton and MacArthur Planning to

Move North of Manila. tering the Filipinos in Cavite province, do become a father I hope it won't be Gens. Lawton and MacArthur are mak- your misfortune to have a son who is ing preparations for an important move- smarter than yourself." ment to the north of Manila. Gens. MacArthur and Lawton will proceed to the north in the hope of trapping Aguinaldo and his forces in between the three columns. Gen. Schwan's movement to his hotel bill, "Rip Van Winkle failed the southward of Manila is merely in the | to apreciate his luck." nature of a demonstration for the purpose of scattering the insurgents who province, the home of Aguinaldo and the

nest of the rebellion. Gen. Young entered Arayat Thursday morning, after half an hour's fighting. Maj. Bachelor's battalion of the Twentyfourth (colored) infantry charged 300 insurgents, who retreated in the direction of Magalang. The American loss was one man slightly wounded. Four of the enemy were killed. Gen. Schwan's column, which has been operating south of Manila, is resting at Perez Dasmarinas. after a fatiguing but unmolested march through submerged rice fields from San Francisco de Malabon. Two hundred and fifty insurgents evacuated Perez Dasmarinas before the Americans

THE USEFUL BICYCLE.

the Social Economy.

There is a quite general belief in this country that bicycling is diminishing rather than increasing, but it is doubtful if the number of bicycles ever before. There has been a shifting in the classes of people who use them. Many who took up the exercise as a "fad," or because of its novelty, have abandoned it for golf or other sport; but at the same time a new and larger class of riders, induced mainly the Boers at Vryburg Thursday evening. | by the advent of the cheap bicycle, has arisen, to more than make good the deficiency. So it is the world over, apparently, for at a recent international cyclists' congress in London thirteen different nations were represented, and their deliberations were considered of sufficient importance to entitle them to a leading article in the London Times, in which many interesting statements concerning the popularity and social influence of the bicycle were made-among them that about one hundred members of Parliament belong to a cyclists' club.

In its reflections on the subject the Times called attention to the share which the cyclist is to have in the work of the world as well as in its amusements, saying: "The fact that almost every one can at small cost travel three or four times as fast and as far as before is already producing great industrial changes, and others must follow, in town and elsewhere. The country doctor begins to make his rounds, the rector his visits, the tax gatherer his demands, by means of the cycle. The tradesman takes his orders and executes them by means of the modern shoes of swiftness. They are now the mainstay of many a country house. The clerk or workman reaches his suburban house, except in bad weather, on wheels. Not a few things go more smoothly now that they go on wheels. We are only at the beginning of considerable economic and social changes, all ascribable to the ubiquitous 'safety,' which has already done more for the workingman since its introduction than legislation and philanthropy combined during the same period. It is hard to say where its influence ends."-New York Evening Post.

MEASURING LIGHTNING. How Humboldt Struck on the Fulgurite Idea.

It is not generally known that many flashes of lightning not only measure themselves but actually manufacture the recorder by which they are defined. When a bolt of lightning strikes a bed of sand it plunges downward into the sand for a distance less or greater, transforming simultaneously into glass the silica in the material through which it passes. Thus, by its great heat, it forms a glass tube of precisely its own size. Now and then such a tube known as "fulgurite" is found and dug up. Fulgurites have been followed into the sand by excavation for nearly thirty feet. They vary in interior diameter from the size of a quill to three inches or more, according to the "bore" of the

Fulgurites are found also in solid rock, though very naturally of slight depth, and frequently existing merely as a thin, glassy coating on the surface. Such fulgurites occur in astonishing abundance on the summit of Little Ararat in Armenia. The rock is soft and so porous that blocks a foot long can be obtained, perforated in all directions by little tubes filled with bottlegreen glass formed from the fused rock. There is a small specimen in the national museum which has the appearance of having been bored by the toredo, and the holes made by the worm subsequently filled with glass. Some wonderful fulgurites were found by Humboldt, on the high Nevada de Toluca, in Mexico. Masses of the rock were covered with a thin layer of green glass. Its peculiar shimmer in the sun led Humboldt to ascned the precipitous peak, at the risk of his life.

Tommy's Gentle Hint.

"Father," asked Tommy the other day, "why is it that the boy is said to be the father of the man?"

Mr. Tompkins had never given this subject any thought, and was hardly

"Why, why," he said stumblingly, "it's so because it is, I suppose."

"Well, pop, since I'm your father, I'm going to give you a ticket to the theater and half a dollar besides. I always said that if I was a father I wouldn't be so stingy as the rest of them are. Go in, until some emergency arises calling for pop, and have a good time while you're young. I never had any chance my-

> Mr. Tompkins gazed in blank astonishment at Tommy. Slowly the significance of the hint dawned upon him. Producing a silver dollar, he said:

While Gen. Schwan is engaged in scat- "Take it, Thomas. When you really

Luck.

"There's no use talking," said the man who was on the plazza looking over "Luck!"

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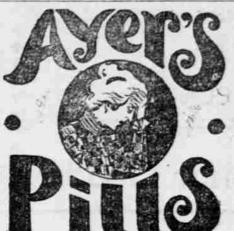
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LOCAL CATARRH CLIMATIC

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> It may not be so easy to conquer the Marotse when the time comes, for they are a tall, well-set-up race, very black in skin. In manners they are very courteous and in bearing dignified. Ev-

ery full-blooded Marotse is by birthright a king, and takes his place in the aristocracy of the empire. In fact, as every one is king, there is no head ruler. The bare fact that he is a Marotse insures the respect of the subservient tribes, and as he grows to manhood a sense of superiority usually implants in the native the dignity of self-respect. All the labor is done by slaves who have been captured from neighboring;

Nation of Kings.

the work of "civilization" is at a stand-

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to smoke. The remedy is odorless and tasteless, can be mixed with coffee or food, and when taken into the system a man cannot use tobacco in any form. The remedy contains nothing that con possibly do injury. It is simply an antidote for the poisons of tobacco and takes nicotine out of the system. It will cure even the confirmed cigarette fiend and is a God-send to mothers who have growing boys addicted to the smoking of cigarettes. The remedy is called Tobacco Specific and a free trial package of the remedy will be mailed prepaid upon application to Rogers Drug & Chemical Co., 273 Fifth and Race Sts., Cinclanati, Ohio. This will help any woman to solve the problem of curing her husband, son or brother of a habit that undermines the health, eaving the body susceptible to numerous lingering and dangerous diseases.

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