

**THIS DAINTY DAMSEL
IS A WHISKY DRUMMER**

John Bull has been at some pains to gather figures about queer employments for women in his domains, and the results are surprising. It appears that in England and Wales alone, there are nearly 44,000 women bootmakers, 8,239 ropemakers, 4,730 saddle makers, 5,140 who make a living by gardening, 8,850 butchers, 27,707 who keep body and soul together by tending bar, nearly 3,000 bicycle makers, and—the highest figure of all—117,640 tailors. It appears that there are female bailiffs, boatmen, boiler-makers, bricklayers, iron founders, plumbers, plasterers, slaughtermen and veterinary surgeons. One woman in the kingdom is set down as a dock laborer, and another is a



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road laborer, while 279 are undertakers and 12 are shepherds. One bright little Irish girl, who managed to escape the census altogether, has lately branched out for herself as a commercial traveler in whisky, and supposed to be the only woman "whisky-drummer" in England, if not in the world. She is Miss Victoria Shortt, daughter of a Tipperary property owner, whose reduced circumstances on account of land agitation made it necessary for the girl to earn her own living. When given the offer she hesitated, but finally accepted, and she has now become an object of much criticism and curiosity. She has succeeded so well that she is making a great success of it. Oddly enough, Miss Shortt's employer is a man named Tall.

THE ETERNAL QUESTION.

How One Community Solved the Servant Girl Problem.

From San Miguel, a mining camp in the copper country of Southern Arizona, come the glad tidings that the great problem of the centuries has at last been solved—and by women, of course. The recent celebration of its fourth anniversary by the San Miguel Co-operative Cooking Club calls attention to the manner in which the servant question has been robbed of its terrors through the successful inauguration of a "community of interest" plan. This club consists of 45 families, accustomed to refinements and pleasant surroundings. Some four years ago the women of the camp, after unsuccessful individual attempts to procure and retain proper domestic service, put their heads together and organized the club, leased a suitable house in the central part of the town, engaged a matron and hired a number of capable Chinese servants. Each family has its own table, and the unmarried ones have a table to themselves. The purchase of the supplies is entrusted to an executive committee of three. Experience shows that the families have saved on an average 50 per cent in living expenses since the formation of the club, the service is better, and the food is of a higher quality than could have been afforded under the old system. It is apparent at a glance that the conditions which made the San Miguel Cooking Club a success are not common to all parts of the United States. Chinese servants, for instance, are not generally procurable, and there is a feeling of comradeship, engendered by the sharing of hardships, in the less thickly settled communities, that is not so apparent in those sections of the country, which have been longer inhabited. But the relief experienced by the housekeepers of San Miguel from the haunting fear that Bridge may "give notice" any day, or exact a few additional "privileges" from her long-suffering employer, must be delightful, and the success of the San Miguel experiment will at least serve as a valuable object lesson in the solving of this most vexatious problem.—Housekeeper.

Pauper Lunatics in Britain. Steadily for the last ten years the number of certified pauper lunatics in the British Isles has been rising. Similarly, suicide is increasing all over the country. Turn to the physical form and the tale is the same. Army recruits show worse teeth to the examining medical officers every year. It has just been found necessary to lower the standard of height, weight and chest measurement to a degree which is quite indefinite. With all modern attentions there is still a definite tendency to increased insanity and to physical degeneration in Great Britain at the present day.

Reptil Diet Prohibited. The eating of snakes, lizards, scorpions, centipedes, tarantulas and other reptiles is prohibited by statute in Kansas.

DIETRICH INDICTED

SENATOR CHARGED WITH BRIBERY AND CONSPIRACY.

MONEY PAID FOR OFFICE

OUTCOME OF HASTINGS POST-OFFICE SCANDAL

TESTIMONY IN THE CASE

Grand Jury Had Been Investigating the Hastings Postoffice for the Past Three Weeks.

OMAHA, Nebr., Nov. 17.—The federal grand jury yesterday evening returned true bills against United States Senator Charles H. Dietrich and Postmaster Jacob Fisher of Hastings, Nebr., charging them with conspiracy and bribery in connection with the appointment of Fisher to the position of postmaster. The indictments were brought into the United States district court at 6 o'clock, Judge Munger presiding, and were placed on file. The court merely accepted the report of the grand jury, making no remarks on its contents beyond making an order to the clerk for filing of the bills.

The indictment against Senator Dietrich charges that he accepted money and property in consideration of his recommending Fisher for an appointment as postmaster at Hastings. That against Postmaster Fisher charges him with making an agreement with Senator Dietrich by which the former was to pay in property and money 1,300 for securing Fisher the appointment.

Evidence was presented to the grand jury to show that Fisher had bought postoffice fixtures from the Army post at Hastings, of the value of \$500 and later turned the property over to Senator Dietrich to whose building it was removed, and to whom was paid a rental by the government. In addition to turning over the property it is charged that Fisher paid to the senator eight hundred dollars in cash.

Last night it was stated that the grand jury has been investigating the Hastings postoffice case for nearly three weeks and that a number of witnesses were present from Hastings and other points in the state. Senator Dietrich is at present in Washington, and there was no attorney or other person in the city to-night authorized to make a statement for him. All the witnesses in the case left this afternoon for their homes, among them Postmaster Fisher of Hastings, and no statement could be had from him.

Company Holding Its Own.

CHICAGO, Nov. 17.—Encouraged by successful operation of a regular service on the Wentworth avenue line yesterday, the management of the Chicago city railway announced last night that an effort would be made today to resume traffic on the Cottage Grove avenue cable line. The intention is to start ten trains only in the morning and unless too much opposition is met with the service will be gradually extended later in the day. Five hundred policemen will be added today to the number already detailed to guard the property of the company. This additional force will be assigned to the Cottage Grove avenue line, and the cars will run under the same protection as those on Wentworth avenue. Screens have been provided for the grip cars to shield the gripmen.

Although considerable interference marked the operation of the Wentworth avenue branch yesterday, still a five minute service was maintained throughout the day, and an attempt will be made today to install a closer schedule.

Complete Survey of Park.

BUTTE, Mont., Nov. 17.—J. Scott Harrison, who has had charge of surveying the boundary line of the Yellowstone National park, is here. He says the gigantic task, the work of eight years has just been completed. Granite monuments, placed every half mile, warn the poacher to keep off. It is possible that a wire fence entirely surrounding the park will be put up. Mr. Harrison says the wilds are full of elk, deer, and bear, with some moose, and that if these animals are to be protected they must be kept from wandering off the reservation.

Safe Blowers at S. ward.

SEWARD, Nebr., Nov. 17.—The safe in the Northwestern freight depot was blown to pieces last night by burglars. The telegraph instruments, the agent's typewriter and the interior of the office was totally wrecked by the force of the explosion. The thieves did not get anything for their trouble, as no money is kept in the safe over night. This is the third safe destroyed for the company at this place in the same manner. There is no clew to the perpetrators.

THE NEW FLAG HOISTED

OFFICIAL RECOGNITION GRATEFULLY RECEIVED.

PANAMA, Nov. 18.—At 8:30 yesterday morning the United States flag ship Marblehead hoisted the flag of the republic of Panama and saluted it with twenty-one guns. The Tres Novembre, a gun boat of Panama, displaying the American flag answered the salute. The shore battery also fired a salute of twenty-one guns, which the Marblehead answered.

At 10 a. m. Rear Admiral Glass, Consul Gudgeon and Commander Phelps, accompanied by Lieutenant Philip Andrews and S. W. Trellin-wander, officially called in the junta. A military band played "The Star-spangled Banner" on the American's arrival at the palace and on their departure from that building. They were received by the members of the junta, the cabinet ministers and General Hurrías, Jeffries, Diaz and Varon and their staffs. Admiral Glass said he was glad to officially call upon the government of the republic of Panama. It had been a great pleasure for him to salute this morning the flag of the new republic, for whose prosperity and greatness he made the best wishes.

Senor Arango, a member of the junta answered saying that in the name of the junta and of the people of Panama he expressed sincere pleasure at the presence of the gallant fleet in Panama bay, representing the noble people and government of the United States, "to whom the isthmus is deeply grateful for the hand of fellowship so generously and promptly extended to them by its great president."

Mr. Gudgeon proposed a toast to a new Panama canal treaty, which was answered by General Varon, who toasted President Roosevelt and the United States army with great cordiality.

The people of Panama are happy over the official recognition of the flag and the event is being celebrated enthusiastically.

During the ceremonies today large crowds of people surrounded the palace of the government.

The flag of the republic of Panama which was saluted by the Marblehead this morning was made on board of that vessel.

Inquiry to Go on in Dietrich Case.

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 18.—Now that United States Senator Charles H. Dietrich has been indicted by the federal grand jury for alleged trafficking in postoffice appointments, politicians and ex-postmasters in towns and cities not before mentioned in connection with the investigation send to District Attorney Summers information of sales into which they maintain they were urged by Senator Dietrich. The grand jury will investigate the charges that the office at Orleans, Arapahoe, Oxford and Alma were sold, but here the labors of the grand jurors will cease so far as they can concern Senator Dietrich. District Attorney W. S. Summers talked with Judge Munger on the advisability of investigating all charges and reached this decision.

Taking as authentic the information which was given to the district attorney as a basis for the investigation, the sum which Senator Dietrich realized from the disposal of appointments approximates \$10,000. It likely exceeds these figures. The amount which the grand jury accepted as correct in the Hastings case was \$2,500 if the note given by Jacob Fisher the Hastings postmaster, to Senator Dietrich is proof.

At Orleans, Alma, Oxford and Arapahoe, \$1,000 is the sum which Senator Dietrich's "man Friday," it is alleged, charged for his endorsement. It is known that more than three other cases have been submitted to the district attorney where the purchase price was alleged to have been \$1,000.

Damaged By Fire.

NORFOLK, Neb., Nov. 18.—Fire about noon today threatened the destruction of a house on Braasch avenue occupied by E. Lamb and J. A. Rouine and owned by Dorius Mathewson. Some damage resulted to furniture mainly from smoke and water. The damage to the house was covered by insurance and was about \$250.

Declare the Law Is Legal.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Nov. 18.—The supreme court today held that the statute prohibiting the giving away of liquor in local option counties is constitutional and fined Boney Handler and Joel Smith for giving drinks to Charles Smith in the town of Phelps.

New Trial Is Denied Them.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 18.—Thomas E. Barrett, former marshal of the court of appeals; John Dolan, chairman of the democratic city central committee, and Frank Garrett, former policeman, convicted in the United States district court of participation in naturalization frauds, were denied a new trial today by Judge Adams.

IS GIVEN SCORING

DISTRICT ATTORNEY GENERAL IS NOT FREE FROM BLAME.

TOOK MUCH AUTHORITY

CALLING OFF JUNE INVESTIGATION A BLUNDER.

PLAIN WORDS ARE SPOKEN

The Fact That Dietrich Was Senator No Excuse for Leniency.—His Action Highly Improper.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 19.—Correspondence that passed between United States Attorney Summers at Omaha and Attorney General Knox in June last in the matter of the charges against Postmaster Fisher of Hastings and United States Senator Dietrich of Nebraska, and the investigation of the same by the grand jury was made public yesterday. The letter of Mr. Summers to the attorney general is dated June 23, and is as follows:

"I have the honor to transmit to you herewith the testimony given before the United States grand jury on June 6, 1903, by Leopold Hahn. Mr. Hahn is a citizen of Hastings, Adams county, Neb. He was called before the grand jury at the request of members, on account of well defined rumors in circulation and charges based thereon as to the violation of section 1781, revised statutes of the United States, by Jacob Fisher, who is now postmaster in the city of Hastings.

"The testimony, you will see, reflects not only upon Jacob Fisher, the postmaster, but as well upon United States Senator Charles H. Dietrich of Nebraska. The grand jurors insisted upon making a thorough and searching investigation. This investigation was discontinued at my request because of the fact that the conduct of a United States senator was involved in the question they desired to investigate. At the same time I stated to the grand jury that the investigation will be made by another grand jury, if it be disclosed subsequently that the ends of justice demands it. For the purpose of prevailing upon the grand jurors to discontinue the investigation I stated to them I would submit the information to the department of justice and ask for direction in the premises. With the assistance of the foreman of the grand jury, one of the prominent and influential citizens of the state, I was able to prevail upon the grand jurors to comply with my request.

"In this connection permit me to say there are appointments in this state other than the one at Hastings named in the testimony submitted herewith, about which the grand jury manifested a disposition to inquire into. No witnesses were examined as to them however, for the same reason given above. I hold myself in readiness to follow any directions you may give me.

Sentenced To Penitentiary.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 19.—Judge Adams, in the United States district court yesterday sentenced John P. Dolan, chairman of the democratic city central committee, and Policeman Frank Garrett, convicted of participating in naturalization frauds to five years' imprisonment in the penitentiary and each to pay a fine of \$1,000. District Attorney Dyer asked that the passing of sentence of Thomas E. Barrett, for marshal of the St. Louis circuit court of appeals, convicted on the same charges, be deferred until after his trial on their indictments of similar crimes. Attorneys for the three men mentioned had filed a writ of error, asking for a new trial. This was denied by Judge Adams, who passed sentence. The men were committed to the custody of the United States marshal to be confined in the jail at the Four Courts until action shall be had on the writ of error. The sentence imposed by the court is the maximum and in passing it Judge Adams censured the defendants severely.

Peace Negotiations Begun.

CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—Peace negotiations looking to an amicable settlement of the struggle between the management of the Chicago city railway and its striking employees were begun this afternoon and the indications to night are that both sides to the controversy will agree to submit their differences to arbitration.

Prisoners Badly Excited

FARGO, N. D., Nov. 19.—The Cass county court house here burned yesterday a loss of \$175,000, fully insured. It is expected that nearly all of the records, which were in fireproof vaults will be saved. The sheriff's residence and jail, which adjoined the court house were saved by a sudden change in the wind. There was great excitement among the prisoners in the jail, but all were taken out safely.

HARRISON VERY HOPEFUL

ENTIRE FORCE OF THE COMPANY JOINS STRIKERS.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—Despite the united efforts yesterday of Mayor Carter H. Harrison and the aldermanic mediation committee to bring about a peaceable adjustment of the Chicago City railway strike, there is little change in the situation. Some progress was made yesterday, but nothing definite was accomplished. After an all day session of the board of directors of the company at which the proposition submitted by the strikers to Mayor Harrison, stating the terms on which they would settle was considered, a counter proposition was prepared by the directors of the company and sent to the mayor last night. As soon as the document was received at the city hall the executive committee of the strikers' union was sent for, but as only about half the members of the committee put in appearance, no action could be taken on the answer of the company until today.

Mayor Harrison said that some slight modifications had been made by the company's officials in their final answer to the demands of the men. What these modifications were the mayor declined to state. "All I can say," said he, "is that the company's answer is not an ultimatum. The proposition has been submitted to the officials of the union and I expect some definite results today."

When questioned as to the prospects of a settlement of the strike, Mayor Harrison said: "Well I am more hopeful than I was after our conference last night, when the outlook was decidedly gloomy. Both sides seem willing to continue negotiations and while here is life there is hope."

Wreck on the Big Four.

PEORIA, Ill., Nov. 20.—Thirty-five men were killed and at least fifteen injured in a head-end collision between a west-bound freight and a work train on the Big Four railroad between Mackinaw and Tremont at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Up to the present time the bodies of twenty-six victims of the wreck have been taken from the mass of debris, which is piled thirty feet high in the tracks, while five yet remain buried under a huge pile of broken lumber, twisted and distorted iron and steel. On a bank at the side of the track the bodies of the victims, cut, bruised and mangled in a horrible manner. So far twelve only have been identified, the remaining being unrecognizable even by those who knew them and are aware of the fact that they are among the dead. All of the dead and most of the injured were members of the work train, the crews on both engines jumping in time to save their lives. The collision occurred in a deep cut, at the beginning of a sharp curve, neither train being visible to the crew of the other until they were within fifty feet. The engineers set the brakes and leaped from their cabs, the two trains striking with such force that the sound was heard for miles around. A second after the collision the boiler of the work train exploded with terrific force, throwing heavy iron bars and splinters of wood to a distance of 200 feet.

Carrie Nation in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.—Mrs. Carrie Nation appeared in the principal role of a sensational scene at the white house today. Her request to see the president being refused, she became violent and had to be taken from the executive offices by two police officers. As she was being escorted from the building she shouted at the top of her voice, gesticulating violently. "I am going to pray for a prohibition president, and we will have one, one who will represent the people and not the distillers and brewers. You may put me out of the building, but if a brewer or liquor dealer were here he would have been admitted at once."

Officers Dalrymple and Kemp were obliged to use some force to induce her to leave the executive offices and finally conducted her outside of the white house grounds. All the while she continued to declaim her principles and to rail at the president for not receiving her. Of course until some time afterward the president knew nothing of her presence at the white house.

Requisition For Ziegler.

ALBANY, N. Y., Nov. 20.—Sheriff E. A. Smith of Missouri arrived yesterday with papers of requisition for the extradition of William Ziegler of New York, accused of bribery in connection with baking powder legislation Missouri. Governor Odell is out of the city and is not expected here before Sunday, when it is expected he will fix a day next week for a hearing upon the matter.

Nebraska Notes

While land has been selling very high in Saunders county the past year, a record breaker was made one day last week when Chappell G. Haggard sold eighty acres without improvements to John Dolezal for \$5,000.

Anton Dey, Jr., of D town, of Seward, who was arrested some time ago for boot-legging was brought into court and plead guilty. Judge Sornborger assessed him a fine of \$10 and costs amounting in all to \$217, which he paid.

Charles Bloedorn, of Columbus, a Platte county boy by birth, is home for a few days. He is engaged in raising rice and owns a large plantation in Louisiana, 160 miles west of New Orleans. He speaks well of the south and says it offers many opportunities for safe investment. He will return after a short visit, going by way of Texas.

Revival meetings are in progress in the Presbyterian church at Edgar conducted by the pastor Rev. L. E. Humphrey assisted by the Rev. Dr. L. E. Leggett of Albany, N. Y., and Mrs. Eva Hill, evangelistic singer of North Loup. The meetings are very interesting and call out full houses each evening. Dr. Leggett is a polished speaker and preaches, not only the ears but the hearts of his hearers.

Rev. T. J. House, president of Kingfisher college, preached Sunday morning in the Congregational church at Crete. His theme was the perpetuity of the United States. At 3 p. m. Evangelist Smith of Seymour, Ind., delivered an address in the Methodist church, mainly on the subject of temperance. This week special meetings are to be held by the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. of the college and also by the Congregational church.

The Chrysa-themum club of Geneva, gave a banquet at their rooms in the Masonic temple building Saturday evening, as a farewell to W. L. Weed, a member of the club. Mr. Weed took charge of the B. & M. railroad office, at Geneva, when it was first opened and has continued in charge since, about eighteen years. He has been promoted to the company's office in Beatrice and will remove to that city.

The postoffice safe at Dannebrog was dynamited at an early hour Monday morning, the burglars securing considerable cash and jewelry which had been left in the safe by citizens. Bloodhounds were sent for and several officers and the dogs are on the trail of the robbers.

County Clerk Trson of Plattsouth, has appointed J. L. Barton as his deputy during his second term, which begins in January. Mr. Barton has held the office of county treasurer two terms, and is well qualified for his new position.

S. B. Snell, one of Osceola's earliest settlers who was taken so ill several weeks ago, has sold his brick yard and ice business to Bert Carmine of David City, Mr. Carmine taking possession at once.

S. W. Christy, of Edgar, who went to Omaha three weeks ago expecting to undergo a surgical operation for some intestinal trouble, is reported as rapidly improving and will soon return to his home, an operation being thought unnecessary.

The funeral of Charles Taylor, of Edgar, the young man who was accidentally shot Friday evening, was held from the Christian church at 2 p. m. A large concourse followed the remains to the tomb.

The girls of York and Geneva high school played basket ball at Geneva Saturday morning. The York team won with a score of 10 to 8. A goal thrown by Geneva as time was called at the end of the first half was not counted. The game was played remarkably well throughout.

Oscar Webber and Miss Susie Garwood were married at Nebraska City.

Congressman Norris has appointed Paul M. Fell of Harvard to the readership at West Point.

Claude Drew and Miss Lillie Woodring were married at Marysville, Kas., and will live at Beatrice.

The yield of corn in the vicinity of Gretna is proving to be good, thirty-five bushels to the acre being a safe average.

Harry B. Dickinson is dead at Plattsmouth at the home of Martin Hour. He was 56 years old.

In the recent state election forty-four new county superintendents were elected and forty-six re-elected. Twenty per cent were women.

Twenty-five delegates from independent telephone companies in eastern Nebraska met at Fremont to perfect plans for better service and agree on toll rates. Forty towns are reached by the companies.

When making jam, preface operations by pouring a few drops of salad oil into the preserving pan and then rubbing the oil over the bottom with a piece of soft paper. This will prevent the jam from sticking if the stirring be less constant than it ought to be.