

**An Author Pensioned.**  
Two British authors are at present in the public eyes on account of pensions they are receiving. Joseph Conrad has \$1,500 from the British Society of Authors, which generosity is explained by the fact that the author, whose writings are among those in greatest demand by the publishers to-day, yet seems to have difficulty in providing for his daily wants, says the New York Globe. The immediate reason for the pension, moreover, was the accidental burning of a manuscript, which catastrophe so depressed Mr. Conrad that his friends thought it wise to relieve him from the necessity of anything so humdrum and sordid as looking out for his bread and butter.

The case of Conrad can hardly fail to recall that of Carlyle, who, when Mill brought the disastrous news of the destruction of a complete book of the "Revolution," spent the evening in attempting to cheer the culprit—and then set about the rewriting.

**Arriving at a Verdict.**  
Kushequa, Pa., Aug. 1.—(Special).—In this section of Pennsylvania there is a growing belief that for such Kidney Diseases as Rheumatism and Lame Back there is only one sure cure and that is Dodd's Kidney Pills. This belief grows from such cases as that of Mrs. M. L. Davison of this place. She tells the story herself as follows:

"I have suffered from Rheumatism for thirty years and find that Dodd's Kidney Pills have done me more good than any medicine I have ever taken. I was also bothered with Lame Back and I can only say that my back hasn't bothered me since I took Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Considering that Mrs. Davison only took two boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, the result would be considered wonderful if it were not that others are reporting similar results daily. Kushequa is fast arriving at a verdict that "Dodd's Kidney Pills are the one sure cure for Rheumatism."

**Public Schools in Russia.**  
Social Service gives some late statistics regarding public schools in Russia. There are 84,544 public schools in the Empire, of which number 40,131 are under the jurisdiction of the Minister of Public Education, 42,588 under the jurisdiction of the Holy Synod, and the remainder under other departments. Of the pupils, 73,167 are adults, 3,291,694 boys and 1,263,902 girls. The teachers number 122,000. The maintenance of these schools costs more than \$25,000,000. The average school tax for city schools is \$9.50 and for village schools \$5 per pupil.

### WINNIPEG EXHIBITION.

#### A PRIZE LIST OF ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Everything Promises to Be Most Successful—A Number of Distinguished Statesmen Will Be Among the Visitors.

Winnipeg, July 7.—The Dominion of Canada exhibition, to be held in Winnipeg from July 25 to Aug. 6, this year, promises to be one of the best ever held in the Dominion. One hundred thousand dollars will be expended in prizes and attractions. This of itself will give an idea of the magnitude of the undertaking.

Winnipeg believes in doing everything on a big scale. There is nothing half-hearted about it. Since it held its first exhibition in 1891 it has learned the lesson of "push." Every year has added to the interest, the prize money and an important factor, the gate.

The prize list comprises about 120 pages, a story of the wonderful development of the province tersely told. The exhibits will include everything, grown, bred, painted or manufactured in Canada, from the fine art to the motherly sow. The speed program will undoubtedly be a great attraction. It will include boys' and men's races, horse races, trotting, speeding, etc., etc. The prizes in this class alone will amount to \$19,700, the highest being \$2,500 for a "free-for-all," others ranging from \$1,200 down to \$150. Among the entries so far received are the speediest horses on the continent.

The Canadian Manufacturers' Association has secured control of two buildings, and the Secretary, Mr. Young, says there will be such a display of Canadian manufactures as has never been shown before in the Dominion.

**By Elimination.**  
One day as Pat halted at the top of the river bank, a man, famous for his inquisitive mind, stopped and asked: "How long have you hauled water for the village, my good man?" "Tin years, sor."

"Ah! How many loads do you take in a day?" "From tin to fifteen, sor."

"Ah, yes! Now, I have a problem for you. How much water, at this rate, have you hauled in all, sir?" "Tin years, sor."

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"Ah, yes! Now, I have a problem for you. How much water, at this rate, have you hauled in all, sir?" "Tin years, sor."

The driver of the watering cart jerked his thumb backward toward the river and replied, "All the wather you don't see there now, sor."

#### VERY LOW RATES TO BOSTON AND RETURN

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Handel was a monstrous eater, particularly of beefsteak pie. One of these pies weighed from two to three pounds, and the composer of the "Messiah" would often consume a whole pie at a sitting.

### JUST WHAT AILED NERO.

His Master Thought It Was Rabies and Dosed Him Thoroughly.

A gentleman who resides in Germantown is the proud possessor of a fine, white, thoroughbred bull terrier. He also has a wife and child. This fact is mentioned last, not as derogatory to the family, but because this tale deals almost wholly with the dog.

One evening the gentleman noticed that Nero was rather restless and frequently opened his paws to their widest extent and licked his chops in a decidedly suggestive and sinister manner.

"What in the world ails Nero?" asked the wife.

"Some new habit he has acquired, I guess," hazarded Mr. Fancier. "Good night, dear, I must hurry to the office to finish my monthly statement. Don't wait up for me. Good night." And he was gone.

When he arrived at the office he saw the night watchman and knowing that he had a knowledge of dogs questioned him regarding Nero's peculiar actions.

"Opens his mouth wide and rolls his tongue about?" repeated the watchman excitedly.

"Yes."

"Does he stretch his neck as he does this?"

"Yes. What does it mean?"

"Well, it means that your dog is going mad and you'd better hurry home before he does any damage."

It took Mr. Fancier about two seconds to reach the telephone.

"Is that you, dear?" he called. "Well, you take Nero down cellar and chain him up securely. Never mind, I'll explain when I get home. I'm starting at once."

He then hastened to the nearest drug store and purchased buckthorn, castor oil, pomegranate bark and various other herbs and syrups used for dog troubles. Rushing home, he bolted into the cellar, grabbed the poor dog by the throat and pressing him into a corner lifted him to his hind legs and poured a conglomeration of drugs down the long suffering canine that would positively kill or cure. His veterinary labors over, he repaired to the sitting-room and explained the situation to his terrified wife.

Next morning the dog, marvelous to relate, was alive and happy. During the day the owner described the treatment to a friend, also a lover of dogs. The friend, at the end of the story burst into loud and jarring laughter.

"What are you laughing at? I don't see anything funny about it."

"Neither did the poor dog. Do you know what really ailed him? I'll tell you: He had been cleaning his coat with his tongue and several hairs had stuck to that useful member. His 'terrible symptoms' were caused by his innocently trying to remove them."

And the owner of Nero left hurriedly to speak to the night watchman.—Philadelphia Press.

#### The Downtrodden.

"Remember," said the man with the red face and angry eyes, "the worm will turn."

"Well," answered the cold-blooded citizen, "let him. About all the comfort the average worm gets is a chance to wriggle."—Washington Star.

#### Chief of Police Saved.

Newberry, S. C.—W. H. Harris, Chief of Police, of Newberry, says: "I suffered for a number of years with kidney complaint. There was a dull aching across the small of my back that was worse at night and made me feel miserable all the time. The kidney secretions were dark and full of sediment, and lack of control compelled me to rise a number of times during the night. Between this annoyance and the backache it was impossible for me to get much sleep and my health was being undermined. I tried a number of remedies, but nothing helped me until I got Dodd's Kidney Pills. The use of this remedy according to directions promptly brought about a change for the better. After using two boxes the backache all left me, the kidney secretions cleared up and the action of the kidneys became normal."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Chief Harris will be mailed to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sold by all dealers; price fifty cents per box.

#### Corrected Diagnosis.

A Starke County physician tells this story on himself: After writing a prescription for a patient, the physician told him that the drugist would probably charge him 60 cents for filling it. Then the patient asked the physician to lend him the 60 cents. Thereupon the physician carefully scratched out a part of the prescription and handed it back with 10 cents, remarking: "You can get that filled for a dime. What I scratched out was for your nerves, but you need nothing for them."—Indianapolis News.

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#### Her Private Opinion.

"No, ma'am," said the hobo who was figuring on a handout, "I ain't no reg'lar tramp. I wuz a sailor 'free years ago, but me ship got wreckt an' I wuz washed ashore."

"And it's a safe bet," retorted the unsympathetic female, "that you ain't been washed since."

#### Mrs. Winslow's Boozers Brandy for Children

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#### What's in a Name?

Larry—Who's that in the picture, Denny?

Denny—Shure, that's an Orlishmon.

Larry—Arrah gowan! Phoy, that's General Kuropatkin, 'R' Russian.

Denny—'Tis not. No mon wid Pat in his name could be a Russian.

## POLITICS OF THE DAY

"In our own time and our own way," as Senator Lodge arrogantly puts it, a further postal investigation will be undertaken. "In our own time and our own way" we will attend to such revision of the tariff as may be necessary, say the Republican leaders.

The Republican platform, however, does not indorse Senator Lodge, or perhaps when the Senator wrote the platform he thought it would be best to say as little as possible about so uncomfortable a subject as frauds and scandals and claim everything was all right, anyway. So the platform says:

"Our administrations of the great departments of the government has been honest and efficient, and wherever wrongdoing has been discovered, the Republican administration has not hesitated to probe the evil and bring offenders to justice without regard to party or political ties."

How honest and efficient the Republican administration has been is shown by, not only the postoffice frauds, but by the land frauds, the Department of Justice scandals, the Littauer glove scandal, the Indian Territory scandals, the Philippine scandals, the Porto Rico smuggling scandals, the District of Columbia scandals and other frauds and scandals. In fact, no department of the government is free from them, and it is no wonder that not even in their own time and their own way do the Republicans care to publicly mention them, much less allow a thorough investigation. Some charged with perpetrating frauds are candidates for office on the Republican ticket, and others are still high in Republican councils, and it would be disastrous to talk of such matters with the voters about to take action.

The same program is attempted on the tariff. The Republican leaders say, stand pat, and if the time ever comes when it becomes necessary for party success to amend the tariff in our own time we will do it. Therefore the Republican platform said: "We insist upon the maintenance of the principles of protection"—that is, we stand pat—and therefore rates of duty should be readjusted only when conditions have so changed that the public interests demands their alteration."

That is, when we—the Republican leaders—find "conditions have so changed that the public" seem determined to defeat us, we will introduce a bill in the House of Representatives to readjust rates of duty, and if the trust majority in the Senate defeat the bill we can't help it, but will try again if you continue us in power. But for God's sake don't trust the Democrats."

This is what a spring poet describes as residing, "under the bamboozle tree," and in his latest effusion he says:

"There's the smooth politician who lives on the dream that he's surely bamboozling the voters."

With his gab and his graft, till he finds in the end he's been badly bamboozled by "boaters."

#### Risking All on Prosperity.

The Republicans will continue to shout "prosperity," and will try hard to distract the attention of the millions of unfortunates who are working at lower wages or who have lost their jobs, from their misfortune and misery. Regardless of facts, a great prosperity racket will be kept up until Nov. 8. The Republican spell-binders will make one more desperate effort to hypnotize the hapless victims of the greed of Republican trusts.

If the charm works, thousands of idle, hungry and poorly clothed victims of high prices and trust extortion will march up to the polls in a half-dazed condition and deposit their ballots for the party of "protection and prosperity."

On the eve of the election, if the spell is still on and they are still possessed by the prosperity delusion, they will button their cheap, ragged coats closely and stand shivering in the street until midnight to cheer for the candidate of prosperity—for the trusts—should the election returns go their way.

The Republican platform declares that "a Democratic tariff has always been followed by business adversity; a Republican tariff by business prosperity." The fact is that every business depression that has occurred since the Republican party came into power has occurred under Republican tariffs.

The great panic of 1873 occurred 13 years after a Democratic tariff had ceased and 21 years before another began. The panic of 1893 occurred more than a year before a Democratic tariff became law. The depression of 1903-4, which is still on, cannot, as yet, be blamed on a Democratic tariff, for it is reasonably certain that there can not be a Democratic tariff until 1907, even if the Democrats get the President and the House this year.

The semi-official organ of the present administration, the Washington Star, has already led off in the direction that the Republican press is expected to go. On July 1, it put "prosperity" forward as the issue on which the Republicans could surely win. It said: "The country is prospering as never before," and that "the people, as a rule, are in clover, knee deep. The Wall street gamblers are the only

croakers. \* \* \* Legitimate business of every kind is booming, and crops are on the way promising to make this a record-breaking year for the farmers."

Of course the Republicans expect to get credit at the November election for record-breaking crops. But are there no croakers outside of the Wall street gamblers? Are the 90,000 cotton mill workers who are either entirely out of work or are working only four days a week at reduced wages happy and contented? If not, are they Wall street gamblers? Are the 100,000 men that the railroads laid off this year Wall street gamblers? What about the 168,000 steel trust employees who are idle or who have had their wages reduced 20 per cent recently, are they Wall street gamblers? About 30,000 of them were bunched by a "profit-sharing" scheme into buying steel stock at \$2½, which is now selling at 55. If they are gamblers, they are sorry for it. They are trying hard to quit the game.

The Republicans will soon learn that there are "croakers" in all industries as well as in Wall Street. Their prosperity shell-game is being played once too often. They cannot fool all the people, or even a majority, all the time.

#### Political Trust Hunting.

The injunction that President Roosevelt and his Attorney General obtained about two years ago against the beef trust seems to have had just the opposite effect intended. It was supposed at the time that President Roosevelt was hunting, with intent to kill, the most conspicuous "bad trust" he had discovered. It is impossible to fathom upon what theory President Roosevelt selected the beef trust as the sole bad industrial trust he could find to prosecute, for the coal trust, the Standard Oil trust, the steel trust and dozens of others, were culpable in the same degree. The profits of the Standard Oil trust were larger and the dividends paid much greater and the monopoly even more grinding than the beef trust, for it had advanced its prices 100 per cent in a year. The coal trust was equally guilty and quite as oppressive. The steel trust was more gigantic, and as a monopoly spared neither high nor low. Why were none of these selected as the "horrible example?"

The reason was plain: they were all too strong politically and had been in the past and were expected to be in the near future, large contributors to the Republican campaign fund. It would never do to "run amuck" against such good friends, with their Wall street connections that controlled banks, trust companies, railroads and other industrial combines with half the capital of the country at their back. The beef combine men were small potatoes compared to the other trust magnates, and as public opinion was centered on beef, in consequence of the extraordinary increase in price, the packers' combination was selected for Knox to slaughter.

But the Packers' combine people were no novices in the legal game of bluff, and being advised by their attorneys that an injunction restraining them from combining in restraint of trade, did not hinder them from a "gentleman's agreement to all sell at the same price and not bid against each other for cattle and hogs, led the injunction obtained by the administration "up in the air" in the language of the "street."

So President Roosevelt got all the credit for his war on the trust, but the beef consumers have profited nothing, for the price of beef is still high.

But even the Republican Congress could not justify a state of affairs that kept up the price of beef and reduced the price of cattle, so last winter Secretary Cortelyou, of the Department of Commerce and Labor, was ordered to investigate the Packers' Combine. It is presumed that for months this investigation has been going on, but it does not seem to worry the packers and certainly has had no restraining effect on the other trusts, for they are all still charging "all the traffic will bear."

If the voters of the country are satisfied with this playing at war against the trusts and vote to indorse such namby-pamby operations they deserve to pay trust prices for the balance of their lives and will probably do so.

#### Our Pampered Infants.

What would the people think of a foundlings home that insisted that its inmates should continue to be supported by the people until they should finally die of a pampered old age, weakened in body and intellect because they were not required to do anything themselves in the battle for existence? In that case the imposition would not be permitted to stand for a moment, but the people have permitted the infant industries of the country to take the same course, always drawing their subsistence from the nursing bottle called the tariff.

#### Vaccination in Army.

The efficacy of vaccination is proved by the fact that during the Franco-Prussian war 23,000 of the unvaccinated French soldiers died of small-pox, while in the vaccinated German army there were only 260 deaths from that disease.



Women who work, whether in the house, store, office or factory, very rarely have the ability to stand the strain. The case of Miss Frankie Orser, of Boston, Mass., is interesting to all women, and adds further proof that woman's great friend in need is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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#### Not Their Families.

When a very young looking woman got on a trolley car the other day she found there an old friend, also a very young looking woman, whom she evidently had not seen for some time. After an exchange of greetings, which attracted the attention of other riders, one of the women said:

"How many children have you now?"

All who were in earshot sat up and listened breathlessly for the reply.

"Let me see," said the other, slowly, and then, after a pause, "I have sixteen now. How many have you?"

"Oh, I have only twelve," was the reply.

Even the conductor pinched himself at this to see if he was awake, and other people looked around to see if either or both of the young women were accompanied by doctors or keepers. There was a general air of dumbfoundness among the passengers until, from further conversation of the two women, it transpired that they were teachers in separate private schools for children. Then everybody looked foolish and made more or less of an attempt to appear as though they had taken no interest from first to last.

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#### Love in the Dark.

"See here, young man," roared the irate parent, "didn't I tell you to leave when the clock struck 10? Now, light out."

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