PORT. It Is Found to Be Favorable to the Great Packers.

The report of Commissioner of Corporations Garfield on the beef industry, after about eight months' investigation in Chicago and elsewhere, shows that there has been an enormous amount of exaggeration in the statements that have appeared for some time past in regard to the beef business. This investigation was set on foot by a resolution of the House of Representatives adopted March 7, 1904, and the ascertained facts after a most rigid examination of the methods and general conduct of the business are contained in a report covering 308 pages. Its figures and tables conclusively show that the popular belief in enormous profits made by the large packers, such as Armour & Co., Swift & Co. and Nelson Morris & Co., and in the exclusive control of the business which many think they enjoy, is that he is a protagonist of race suicide. really without foundation.

The report made to President Roosely the first official statement of the actual conditions of the beef business that has been made, and as all the conclusions arrived at are based, as shown by him, upon data officially obtained, in all respects trustworthy.

highest level ever known after the short corn crop of 1991, and states that because of the decrease in number of cattle and also in decreased weight, "the high prices of beef which caused so much complaint among consumers to these abnormal cattle prices.."

All the figures of the live weight were obtained from actual killing records and all information of every kind obtained by the Commissioner was voluntarily and freely offered by the packers, all books of record and papers placed at his disposal.

the investigation should be absolutely business methods. accurate, the Commissioner states that a double method of ascertaining profits was adopted, and, without going into detail here, it is found that the conclusion arrived at shows an average profit taining the profits confirms completely disaster.-Philadelphia Inquirer. the correctness of the general conclusions." It is clearly established that "western packers do not control more United States," the conclusion of the Commissioner being that the business done by them amounts to "about 45 per cent" of the total slaughter of the

country. It certainly leads the reader to the -conclusion arrived at by the Commissioner when he states that "the capitalization of none of these concerns is had access there was also "indirect evidence that the profits of the packers in their beef business are less than is frequently supposed," as shown by comparison between the total profits and the total amount of sales.

Laying up Treasures.

The third bank of Japan received a deposit of 3,000 yen, which will remain · for 250 years, from G. Abe, dealer in coal and coke at Tokyo. The bank has contracted to pay the sum of 1,208,411,179 yen at the end of 250 storm. The ship had been insured for 3,000 yen. The money received from the insurance company was deposited in behalf of his posterity

Salzer's Home Builder Corn. So named because 50 acres produced so heavily, that its proceeds built a lovely home. See Salzer's catalog. Yielded in Ind. 157 bu., Ohio 160 bu., Tenn. 198 bu., and in Mich. 220 bu. per acre. You can beat this record in 1905.

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120 bc. Beardless Barley per acre. 310 bu. Salzer's New National Oats per A. 80 bu. Salzer Speltz and Macaroni Wheat. 1,000 bu. Pedigree Potatoes per acre. 14 tons of rich Billion Dollar Grass Hay. 30,000 lbs. Victoria Rape for sheep-per A. 160,000 lbs. Teosinte, the fodder wonder. 54,000 lbs. Salzer's Superior Fodder Corn -rich, juicy fodder, per A. Now such yields you can have in 1905,

if you will plant my seeds. JUST SEND THIS NOTICE AND 10C in stamps to John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., and receive their great cata-

log and lots of farm seed samples. [C. N. U.] Strictly Business. He-Do you believe in fortune telling? She-Well, I don't know much about

such things, but papa believes in it. He—Is it possible? She-Yes. He says the mercantile agencies are fairly accurate.

CUTICURA PILLS

For Cooling and Cleansing the Blood in Terturing, Disfiguring Humors - 60 Chocolate Pills 25c.

Cuticura Resolvent Pills (chocolate coated) are the product of twentyfive years' practical laboratory experience in the preparation of remedies for the treatment of humors of the skin, scalp and blood, with loss of hair, and are confidently believed to be superior to all other blood purifiers, however expensive. Complete external and internal treatment for every humor may now be had for \$1.00, consisting of Cuticura Soap to cleanse the skin, Cuticura Ointment to heal the skin, and Cuticura Resolvent Pills to cool and cleanse the blood. A single set is often sufficient to cure.

another Faiture. "I reached, alas! but could not grasp," So the poet wrote one day: Lie had reached a poem to the editor-

But failed to grasp the pay.



OPINIONS OF GREAT PAPERS ON IMPORTANT SUBJECTS

When Wife Should Support Husband.

WESTERN statesman has stirred up a little breeze by announcing in most selemn terms that no woman should marry until she is able to support a husband. This has started up the sociologists, and the discussion is getting very warm in the neighborhood of Chicago, which solemnized the event by the recently unprecedented condition that no suit for divorce was filed on that day. A lot of people are having fun with the author of the new ukase, and there are some irate women who seem to think

Of course, it would be impossible to take the gentleman exactly at his words, and he probably did not expect such velt by Commissioner Garfield is real- to be the case. He had a certain truth which he desired to impress upon society and considered that it was best done by making it in a striking, not to say theatrical, way. If women never married until they were able to support husbands and children we should come to a sad situation in there seems to be no reason why they a short time. But it is still true, and this we assume to be should not be regarded as reliable and the crux of the original statement, that every woman ought to be able to support herself, and, if need be, those de This report shows why the price of pending on her. The statement is not quite so dramatic both cattle and beef advanced to the as it seems, since most women now do their share in supporting the family. It is a very narrow view to take of married life, that the husband is the sole wage-earner and provider, while the wife simply lolls back at her ease and partakes of her husband's bounty.

As a rule, wives do as much work as their husbands, at this time were attributable wholly a kind of work which could not be duplicated at any price and which, if paid for at market rates for labor, would reduce the husband's income materially. But aside from and live cost of all dressed beef cattle this the wife is, in spite of her lack of training, a better economizer than her husband. She not only saves the money, but she acts as the stimulus which leads the hus band to higher endeavor. It will be noted that few suc cessful men are bachelors. Wives, as a rule, do their connected with the business having share. It is only unfortunate that when death or disabil ity enters the family circle the wife is not always able to To make certain that the results of take the position of bread-winner according to established

This is a great fault, not so great as it used to be, since there is a constantly increasing number of young women who have become wage-earners before entering matrimony. Unless there is abundant means to provide against any of 99 cents per head. The Commis. possible contigency every girl should be taught to do some sioner says "the close parallelism in thing, so that if necessary she can earn a living. Even the results of the two methods of ascer those who think they are safe have no security against

The Language of the Future.

than half of the beef supply of the IS English destined to be the international language of the future-thus succeeding to the place occupied in the previous ages by Latin and French? It is perhaps significant of much in the future and it is certainly interesting for the present, that the International Commission The whole report is extremely inter of Inquiry, though appointing a French president, and esting and well worthy of careful pe- meeting in Paris, decided to adopt the English language rusal. As an official report it may be for its deliberations. The commission is composed, it will regarded as worthy of confidence and be remembered, of an American, an Austrian, an Englishman, a Frenchman and a Russian. From one point of view, it may be said that the majority thus agree to adopt the language of the minority; but then the majority of excessive as compared with its actual three have three different languages whereas the minority investment" and that from thorough of two speak the same language. The first occasion, if we and rigid examination of original en remember right, when English was adopted in the same tries in books and papers to which he way as now was at the Berlin Conference of 1889 on the Samoan Congress; and in that case it was probably the presence of the United States representative that decided the matter. With the growth of the United States as a "World Power," the tendency is likely to spread; in the matter of language England and the United States between them are perhaps destined to make English conquer the world,-London Chronicle.

How to Live Forever.

EVERAL secrets of a long life have been revealed by celebrated septuagenarians and octogenarians of the United Kingdom, from which it is possible to devise years. The father of the depositor an edifying handbook for those who want to live was a finrikisha man, and he himself forever. It is encouraging to note in the first place that | will perform the miracle. Then a man, instead of growing was an ice boy some twenty years ago. one of the conditions of the long life is the short diet, old gracefully, will remain young naturally.—Chicago Lately the father lost a ship in a Lord Avebury says .: "Eat little, drink little," Frederick Journal.

Harrison: "Touch not tobacco, spirits nor any unclean thing; rise from every meal with an appetite." Dr. Haig Brown advises a spare diet and Lord Kelvin two meals a day and moderation.

The thousands of people who rise from every meal with an appetite, and who walk with it, and sleep with it, and never get rid of it, will learn from these admonitions of experience that they have the promise of eighty years of this pleasant companionship. That hollow feeling which is forced upon them by circumstances over be made up of a group of spots; forty or which they have no control is a pertinacious blessing that I should be treasured joyfully. Their necessary economy is good on other accounts, too. Mr. Harrison would not even countenance a light breakfast on a cigar, such as Mr. Pickwick's friend Jingle took in default of other nutriment, 'Touch not" are his words with reference to tobacco.

Dr. Brown has another rule that fits in well with number one and that reads, "Be free from financial care." We know of nothing that would conduce to this happy state quite so effectively as a diminishing diet. First no lunch, then no breakfast, then nothing but an occasional glass of water and food for thought.

Still another thing that the healthy and hearty old men insist upon is life in the open air. We should all walk two hours daily, and that is something that everybody can do who has the time. Time, it is true, introduces some rather puzzling considerations, but the problem is much simplified by abstention from food. There is a gain of the meal hours and no danger of exercising on a full stomach.

As usual, the wisdom of such counsel leaves us about where we were. Most people who are not sages recognize the truths that the sages enunciate and then have the same old troubles with their application. That happy compromise called moderation is easy to preach, but the man who can so command the world that he can always choose the happy means is as rare as the octogenarian .- Chicago Record-Herald.

Try to Like Your Work.

HE World's Work has been interviewing clergymen, endeavoring to ascertain their opinions of their own profession. Of the twenty clergymen put on record, only seven say emphatically that they would choose the ministry if they had it to do over again.

We are sorry that the proportion was not larger. But t would be a mistake to suppose that the result is any particular reflection upon the ministry. The thirteen who are not sure that they would have chosen again to be clergymen do not confess any weakening of their faith. They merely feel, apparently, that the work of spreading the gospel could have been cared for just as well without their special help and that they could probably have been of more service to themselves and others in some other field

Not only elergymen, but men of all kinds of occupations, are miserably prone to feel this way. No man, presumably, ever accomplished all that he has expected or aspired to accomplish; hence he looks upon himself as a comparative failure. Every other field of labor seems brighter than the one whose difficulties and whose disappointments he knows by personal experience.

Make up your mind that in hardships your occupation s not in a class by itself. The others all have their drawbacks. The only difference is that you do not know them. -Pittsburg Press.

How to Remain Young Naturally.

ETTER than the art of growing old gracefully is the secret of not growing old at all. It is something worth knowing and worth remembering. The secret is concealed in the fact that men and women are as old as they take themselves to be. That implies will power, but what of it? The world is governed by will power.

When a man says that he is dead on his feet he is usually telling the truth. Growing old is a habit. When a man at 40, or 50, or 60 years imagines that he is growing old, he will be old.

After awhile the world will learn the secret of longevity. Improved conditions, supplemented by will power,

UNEXPECTED GOOD LUCK.

~~~~~~~ A retired banker who now lives in San Francisco is fond of telling the story of the way in which he was "held up" by a desperado in Arizona. At that time the banker owned a small myself." copper mine in Arizona, and had gone down there to show it to an eastern man who wished to buy. He liked the

for it in United States bills of large de- I'm in a hurry!" nomination. would cash his check, and that no one to follow me. It ain't healthy." knew he had the money, anyhow. Then

railway, twenty miles away. I didn't feel very nervous, for I was bread upon its surface. It was not and they telegraphed a description of toward me that I scented trouble. You sat in the waiting room. I had made had already begun to fall off, so I was my arm, resting at my side, I felt completely unarmed.

"Hello, stranger!" said the newcomer, who looked extremely "hard up." "I've lost my way. Which way are you going?"

pleasantly with him. Finally, when Companion. he had looked me all over, he said. "Stranger, I've got a gun and you haven't, I reckon, so I'll ask you to hand over your watch and money, and How the Engagement and Wedding then I'll say good-by."

He had taken out a revolver, and it seemed advisable to follow his direc- to a fault, always welcoming their tions. I gave him my watch and loose friends even though they have not change, but he did not seem satisfied, enough to eat themselves. And they and made me get off my horse, and religiously visit the sick, including after he had prodded me he discov- those who have contagious diseases.

Then he looked at me critically and cial functions, the invariable mode of

ger," he said, "and you're about my size. I ain't dressed very well. Take off those clothes, and do it quick. I want to catch a train and get out of guitar are the usual instruments of this country, but I like the way your clothes look, and I want to wear them

"You aren't going to leave me here without clothes?" I asked, angrily, He laughed then and said, "Oh, no. mine, and took it, and to the astonish- I'll give you my outfit, and won't ment of the former owner, he paid charge you a cent for it. Come now

I took off my clothes, and then, ac-I asked him how he dared to travel cording to his command, turned my away from the line of the railroad back while he cautiously took off his with so much money, but he laughed, and put mine on. Then he jumped on says the banker, and replied that he his horse, looked at my watch, and publicly presented to their future pardidn't know any one in the region who said, "Good-by, stranger! Don't try

There was nothing for me to do but I parted company with him. He rode put on his old clothes and take anback to Phenix, while I started with a other direction on my pony. I was feelfresh pony toward the main line of the ing pretty miserable about the loss of This public betrothal is considered alsand dollars—and my watch, and I did riding across the desert, which was not feel any better by the time I reachentirely flat except for the scattered ed the railroad and jumped off my blue mesas that stood like loaves of horse at the station. I told my story, until I saw another horseman coming the man up and down the line, while I see this happened not very long ago, up my mind that I should never see and the old habit of carrying weapons | my money again, but suddenly, under something that seemed stiffer than the cloth in the coat. I put my hand in, and there was the wallet! He had put it in his own clothes when he took it away from me, and in his hurry had forgotten to change it back again I made the best of it and chatted when he put on my suit. -Youth's

# MARRIAGE IN MEXICO.

Ceremonies Are Celebrated.

The Mexican people are hospitable ered the fat walled of bills in my shirt. They are also addicted to public so-

entertainment being the dance. They "You're dressed pretty well, stran- are fond of music, though not proficient in the art of making it, probably more from lack of opportunity than from lack of capacity. The violin and music, the repertory of the local musicians being usually limited to a few tunes which are in equal demand for the dance and for the funeral.

One of the most interesting and beautiful of the social functions is the prendorio. When a young man wishes to marry he asks for the girl of his choice of the parents, not of the girl herself, and if she is given the prenderio at once follows, ushered in by shooting and demonstrations of joy. The bride and bridegroom are ents-in-law, after which the company pass in procession in front of the couple, each one dropping a piece of money into the hands of the bride. Then follows the inevitable dance. my money-a little over seven thou- most as binding as marriage, and I have heard of but one instance in which the compact was not kept, the recreant bridegroom in that case being visited with ostracism. The betrothal is usually followed by marriage just as soon as the services of the priest can be secured. The marriage ceremony is followed by a feast more notable for the abundance of things to drink than for things to eat and by the usual dance. Indeed the festivities are often prolonged for several nights after the wedding.-Southern Workman.

#### Didn't Pan Out. "I thought you said you had a gold

mine in that play of yours." "I had," answered Mr. Stormington Barnes, "but it was one of the kind that sells stock and never pays any dividends."-Washington Star.

#### Ardent Diplomacy. She-Papa says he believes you're a

mere fortune hunter. Your face is your fortune, and that's what attracts me.—Philadelphia Press.

### THE SPOT ON THE SUN.

Blemish on Old Sol's Shining Face the Largest Seen in Many Years.

The large spot which now appears on the face of the sun, according to the Toledo Blade, is the largest observed in many years. The largest spot which appeared on the sun measured 100,000 miles, and was seen in February, 1892. The present spot denotes an unusual activity and is caused by the upheaval of a vast amount of gaseous matter from the interior portion of the sun. This greah volcano of gas forces itself through the photosphere, which is the visible surface of the sun and the highly disturbed area ofttimes takes on a cyclonic movement. The central portion of the spot or group of spots, is generally dead black in appearance. This central portion is called the nucleus, and the spot generally shades off into light gray towards the edges. The present spot seems to fifty dead black patches can be observed, intermingled with the lighter portions. The form changes rapidly and this change can be noted from day to day, and sometimes from hour to hour.

The central nucleus of the present spot is large enough to permit the passage of four bodies, the size of our own earth. without grazing the edges. While the sun spots appear black to the eye, this is no indication that they are not highly luminous areas, for a brilliant are light will appear black when viewed against the sun's surface. When we look at the side of a house in the brilliant sunlight, the open windows of that house appear black to the eye. We know that should we enter the house and find ourselves in the rooms containing those windows, that the rooms would be unusually well illuminated and quite light. The windows only appear black in comparison with the brightly illuminated surface of the house side. This illustration will hold good also with the appearance of sun spots. It is possible that a nucleus or black portion is a hole in which we see a portion of the sun's interior through the outer visible photosphere, and it appears black by comparison. It is in reality more highly luminous than anything we can imagine on the earth. The sun revolves on its axis once in 25 days, consequently the present spot will soon pass from our field of view and the disturbance caused by the eruption will have subsided before that portion of the sun's surface comes into sight.

### PRAYED FOR THEIR MAYOR.

An Extraordinary Spectacle in Philadelphia.

An extraordinary spectacle, such as no American municipality ever before witnessed and which many think does little credit to its participants, howsoever efficacious their prayers may be, because it lays religion bare to ridicule. was given in Philadelphia the other day, when all the advocates of reform joined in a day of prayer for the city officials. About 200 preachers met in Holy Trinity church and prayed that the "shackles of the gang be stricken from our sinful Mayor." About 300 others held services in their own churches. Prayer meetings were held in homes and in one church 1,000 women prayed and fasted the entire day. Thousands upon thousands of prayers were made between the hours of 10 and 4. Before the meetings men paraded the streets with banners inscribed

"Pray for the Mayor." Some prominent business men protested against the gathering, asserting that it was an absurdity. The prayer meetings were part of the anti-vice crusade which is being waged in Philadelphia. The Mayor, who is a prominent church man, has been appealed to to bring about reforms and has been asked to remove the head of the police department and



The Erie and Lehigh Valley roads are engaged in a war over the coal traffic. The Big Four road has inaugurated a through dining car service between Chicago and Washington, D. C.

Through passenger trains between Salt Lake City, Utah, and San Pedro, Cal., over a new line will begin to be operated

Judge Ryan, at St. Louis, has made permanent a number of temporary injunction against six offending ticket brokers of that city.

Announcement is made by the Santa Fe officials that the contract for a \$400,-000 grain elevator at Argentine, near Kansas City, has been let.

The sale of the Esquimalt and Nanaimo railway to the Canadian Pacific railway will be completed upon the passage of a formal act of ratification by the dominion parliament.

In connection with the proposed crosstown line of the Wabash road, which is to connect it with the Gould line, the Wabash road will erect a new passenger station at Toledo, Ohio, at a cost of over According to Vice President Land-

street of the Western Maryland railroad, the Cumberland extension of the road will be ready for use by Oct. 1, and trains will be put into service on it at The train rule committee of the Amer-

ican Railway Association has completed a code of rules to govern the operation of trains on roads having three or four tracks. It is thought that the danger of accidents will be greatly reduced by a uniformity in the rules and methods of operation.

The Rock Island road, according to report, has obtained control of the Colorado Midland and the Colorado and Southern. It is now said that construction work of the Western Pacific railroad will begin

within two months and that a Gould road

to San Francisco promises to be an ac-

complished fact in the near future. Preparations are being made in the principal cities of the East and West, for special train excursions arranged by He-In a sense that's true, my dear. | different councils of the Knights of Columbus to its annual convention, to be held in May at Los Angeles, Cal.

Napoleon's Idea of Journalist.

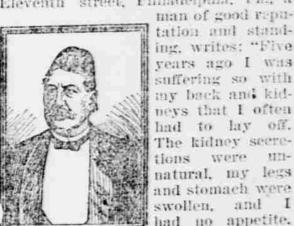
The worst recommendation that any man could have in Napoleon's eyes was to be a newspaper writer. Shortly after the 18th Brumaire, Table de l'Arade, who was always a favorite with the Emperor, solicited an appointment for one of his acquaintances.

"What has he done?" asked Napoleon. "He has been a journalist, a censurer, a giver of advice, a regent of sovereigns, a tutor of nations. The Bicetre is the fittest place for people of that stamp." Suppose Napoleon lived to-day, with his every thought anticipated in the newspapers! Some good newspaper advice might have saved him in the Russian campaign and later at Waterloo.-New York, Press.

#### HAD TO GIVE UP.

Suffered Agonies from Kidney Disorders Until Cured by Doan's Kidney

George W. Renoff, of 1953 North Eleventh street, Philadelphia, Pa., a



had no appetite. GEORGE W. RENOFF. When doctors failed to help me I began using Poan's Kidney Pills and improving until my back was strong and my appetite returned. During the four years since I stopped using them I have enjoyed excellent health. The

cure was permanent." (Signed) GEORGE W. RENOFF. A TRIAL FREE-Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents.

### Domestic Sarcasm

Husband (at breakfast)-My dear, the paper says there was quite a fire in our block early this morning. It is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary. Wife-Oh, well, don't let a little thing ike that worry you.

Husband-Why, what do you mean? Wife-I'm sure no one will ever accuse you of building it.

Two bottles of Piso's Cure for Conaumption cured me of a terrible cough.-Fred Hermann, 209 Box avenue, Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 24, 1961.

# Had Been There Before.

Messenger Boy-Here's a package for you, sir.

Wedderly-So? What is it? Messenger Boy-I'm not sure, sir, but I think it's a birthday present your wife ordered for you at Smith's jewelry store. Wedderly-Oh, very well. Just leave the bill and tell Smith I'll send him a check for the amount to-morrow.

#### FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE THOUGHTFUL.

A Tribute to Weather Conditions in

Western Canada. During the early portion of February, of this year, the Middle and Western States suffered severely with the intense cold and winter storms. Trains were delayed, cattle suffered, and there was much general hardship. While this was the case, throughout Western Canada, now attracting so much attention, the weather was perfect.

One correspondent writes: "We are enjoying most beautiful weather, the gentlemen are going to church without top coats, while the ladies require no heavier outer clothing than that afforded by light jackets. In contrast with this it is interesting to read in a St. Paul paper of Feb. 13th, the following. in double head lines and large boldfaced type:

"Warm Wave Near Arctic Zone, "Calgary Much Warmer Than St.

"Balmy Breezes are Blowing in Northwestern Canada While People are Freezing to Death in Texas and Other Southern States."

Warm in Canada. Freezing in Texas.

St. Paul ..... 24 Omaha ..... 16 Fort Worth, Texas ......Zero Burilington ..... 7 Moorhead ..... 10 Duluth ..... 6 Havre, Mont. . . . . . . . . . 18 Williston, N. D. . . . . . . . . . . . 18 Miles City, Mont. . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 Medicine Hat, Can. . . . . . . . . Zero Calgary, Can. . . . . . . . . . . . 24 Edmonton, Can. . . . . . . . . . . . 20 Leadville, Col. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 32 During the month of January, of this year, the number of settlers who went to Canada was greater than any previous January. The movement

The vacant lands of Western Canada are rapidly filling with an excellent class of people. The Government Agents, located at different points in the States, whose duty it is to direct settlers, are busier than ever; they have arranged for special excursions during the months of March and April, and will be pleased to give intending settlers any desired information.

northward is increasing wonderfully.

# That's a Fact.

"Capital and labor should go hand in and," remarked the moralizer. "True," rejoined the demoralizer, "but the trouble is too many men are trying

to get capital without labor." TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY ake Laxative Brome Quinine Tablets. All agists retund the money if it fails to care.

E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c. Lord Aberdeen's services to Canada have been recognized by the presentation

from mode of the file mode. "Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy gave me

to one of his daughters of a gold neck-

prompt and complete relief from dissepsia and liver derangement." B. T. Trowbridge, Hariem R. R. N. Y. The first classical work translated into

English was Virgil's Aenid by Gavin Deuglas, 1475-1522.