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GERMANY'S SCHOOLS.

THE GRADES IN THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM OF THE EMPIRE. The "solid south" stands by Cleveland just as it stood by Pierce and by Bu-chanan, because he is a northern Demo-Social and Scholastic Distinctions Rigidly

Democrat.

Press (Rep.)

to do with him, except fighting, would be hand. The women from the church were

Editor Haistead.

Enforced - Vigorous Discipline Maintained - Politoness Toward Teachers. The Switch as an Assistant-Bad Marks. Private schools are but few in Germany compared to their number in this country. and most parents send their children to

the government schools. These are divided into various kinds, according to the studies and to the social conditions of the students-gymnasia, attended by boys who propose pursuing classic studies; real schools, devoted to mathematics and economical studies rather than to classics (the word "real-studien" means essential,

economical or polytechnical studies); higher burger schools (citizens' schools), where the prices for attendance are even smaller than the very modest ones paid in the two first named; lower burger schools, for sons of still less wealthy people; and, at last, free schools, whose students pay nothing. The girls have higher daughter schools, where the instruction and prices are highest, though the latter are very moderate, indeed Next in rank are the plain daughter schools; while such young indies as cannot pay any school money at all attend, like their brothers, those

anomalously called free schools. SOCIAL DISTINCTIONS. You see, there is a most orthodox distinction between "higher daughters" and the girls who must be satisfied with being "daughters" without the adjective. There being but a slight difference between the extent and number of studies taught in

either kind of school, it is plain that the distinction made is caused by social prejudice The students of the gymnasia are never at peace with those of the real schools, but admit them to be their equals. in portraiture on my way from Paris, alike the horns and the halos, had vanished; here was the same bland and blonde old man, rosy with the morning air at his open window. We bowed, and They treat the boys of the burger schools with contempt, and this without going into the details of higher or lower. But for a gymnasiast to walk with or talk to a boy of a free school, or to have anything the king answered with a wave of his

tree thate party. The mills bill is but TAKE CARE OF YOUR EYES one step in the programme. Speeches in support of the Mills bill have the real free trade ring.—San Francisco Call (Ind. Dem.) GOOD ADVICE GIVEN BY A NEW

YORK OCULIST.

crat of inferior type, who will do the south's bidding.—Buffalo Commercial. it is Rare That a Specialist Finds a Perfect Eye-How the Eyes Should Be William L. Scott is spoken of as the Looked After-Bathing the Eyes-Cosnext chairman of the Democratic Na-tional committee. Mr. Scott is said to have no superior in the art of spending

It seldom happens that a New York money in politics to the best advantage. Probably the next campaign will be the street car makes a trip from its stable to the terminus of its route without carrybiggest boodle campaign on record.-Phil-adelphis Inquirer. ing at least one person under 40 years of age who wears glasses at least when he Who would have predicted six years ago that the national Democratic party reads. This will give the uninitiated some idea of the prevalence of impaired would have been compelled to rally around eyesight. In a cafe near Madison square Grover Cleveland-a man who at that time was as absolutely ignorant of national issues as a man well could be?-Buffalo the other evening a reporter counted eight spectacled young men out of twelve sitting at five tables in one end of the room. It is said that Secretary Bayard feels hurt at the majority report on the fishery treaty. We should think he would be so With a view of learning the cause of this widespread weakness in the visual organs of the young men of this generation, the accustomed by this time to being sat upon that an additional experience of that kind reporter sought Dr. George S. Norton, of the New York Ophthalmic college, a well would not disturb him.-St. Louis Globeknown authority upon that subject of

medical practice. The contest for the prize medal for Democratic frankness lies between Henry "It is rare that a specialist finds a per fect eye," he said. "In nearly every in-Democratic frankness lies between Henry Watterson, of Kentucky, and Senator Eustis, of Louisians, with the latter three or four laps in the lead. Col. Watterson candidly admits that the negro vote at the south is suppressed, while Senator Eustis not only admits that it is suppressed, but defends and boasts of it.—Philadelphia stance some defect is found. The most common complaints are myopia and hypermytropia, or near and far sightedness, as they are commonly called. The former is increasing, but the latter is not, although the latter is far more prevalent just at present. The care of the eyes is far more A CHAT WITH BISMARCK. important than most men realize. The improper use of eyes which are weak results in a variety of complaints. It often Incident of the France-Prussian Wascauses headaches, depression and some-In the early morning we walked about the townlet and entered the ancient times nervous prostration. These can generally be remedied if not cured by the church A pale French priest said mass use of glasses. In the purchase of glasses tremulously for a few women draped in the sufferer cannot be too careful. The black. Emerging, we passed a white house, and saw, as if framed ir the use of glasses that are improperly adopen window, the king of Prussia. A 1 the ideal transformations he had undergone justed to the eye is oftentimes more injurious than helpful. Another common complaint is called astigmatism, which

and have charge of the choice and preparation of dishes, and of the adornment of the table and dining room without ever having to put a hand to any of the cooking, unless he chooses to prepare some sauce of which he is the designer, or to garnish a dish, as some happy notion seizes

The chef in a European palace or castle is an artist and not a workman. The most he does is to prepare sauces, dress meats, and beautify and make attractive entrees and cold dishes, dividing all rough and heavy work among his assistants In such

an establishment there is a second cook. what you might call a meatk, who prepares the principal dishes an entre metier, who has to do with the attle made dishes, the preparation of croquets, frying of potatoes or hashing of them with cream; in fact, who prepares all vegetables and does the frying. Then there should be a pastry cook to look after all the sweets. But we must go elsewhere than New York to find any such kitchen establishments in private houses.—New York Sun.

The Porter of Havaua. Seated at a little table not more than two feet square, well within the shade of

the cool entradas of the better private residences and all public buildings, will be seen a strangely grim and quiet person. who is usually the only figure in the foreground of a lovely picture comprising ongful court, interior galleries, wondrous marbles and colored glasses, tropical birds and flowers. This is the portero. Though the household depends upon this man for all wise protection and safety, he is not of it, and he seems to sit eternally at his little table, oblivious to everything save his occasional immediate duties, rolling out cigarettes as though his very life depended upon this task alone. His livelihood practically does, for, though a faithful sort of animal, he is poorly paid. The many housand porteros of Havana have become an important factor in cigarette manufacture. For each 6,000, which in a wheel like package are called una tarea, they re-

ceive un escudo, a sum equal to nineteen shillings in American money.—Edgar L. Wakeman in New York Mail and Express. Several Groundless Superstitions.

There are thousands who believe it is healthy to rise early in the morning;

THOUGHTS. Thoughts do not need the "wings of To fly to any goal; Like subtle lightning, not like birds, They speak from coul to soul.

Hide in your beart a bitter thought Still it has power to blight; Think Love, and, the' you speak it not, It gives the world more light. --Ella Wheeler Wilcox in Pittaburg Bullstin.

Old People Are Different. Old men cronies are among the most in-

teresting studies in life; young men have no particular depth of friendship about them as a rule. If they quarrel, there's an end, and probably they will never come together again. They don't quarrel always; they let one another go and have to more interest. Old people are different. When they quarrel they have a lively old quarrel. They abuse one another and we very rabid for awhile. Then they meet accidentally and in a minute they are just as they were. They have forgotten their fight, what it was about, and the only danger in any allusion to it is that each apologizes to the other so strongly Antonio Express, Dem. that it ends in another quarrel.-Ban Francisco Chronicle "Undertones."

haracteristics Which Surround Old Age. An English physician, who has investigated the characteristics and surround ings of centenarians, says he found that the average qualities were a good family history, a well made frame, of average stature, spare rather than stout, robust, with good health, appetite and digestion, capable of exertion, good sleepers, of placid temperament and good intelligence, with little need for and little consumption of alcohol and animal food .- Scientific American.

Why Oll "Wears Out."

Oil seems to wear out by long continue use, and to lose to some extent its lubricating qualities. It has been suggested as a reason for this that the minute spherical globules, of which the oil is conceived to be made up, become flattened by the wear and pressure, and so do not slide and roll over each other as easily as before.-Boston Budget.

Unwise Economy. yet? Second Canaller-Yes. First Canaller-How much did you pay for him?

8. Such total possession of the Ameri-can market of foreign manufactures as may favor the formation of foreign "trusts" which will destroy competition. 4. Such general adversity in the United States as may make its home market only more valuable than that of Spain or Por-

tugal, as its area is larger. Unbroken Record of Blunder The position of the Democratic party upon the tariff question at this time is not unlike that held by the party on the slavery and secession issues in the year 860. The Democratic leaders now, as then, both north and south, seem to be deaf to the voice or reason, and so intoler-

ant and devoid of charity that they will not brook opposition by any member of the party to the peculiar views of the ex-tremists upon that question, but seem determined to make the support of the Mills bill the test of party fealty.—San

> The Princess of Walter Ball. The princess of England, whose com-plaxion is not only the finest, but who has best stood the wear and tear of time, takes

her morning plunge regularly and in water fairly cold; but she is particularly water fairly cold; but she is particularly careful to promptly make use of the fiesh brush, using gloves of moderate rough-ness rapidly over the surface of the body and, finally, the rough towel in a quick general rub, occupying both for the bath and this massage, if one may call it such, twenty minutes in all. At night the same lady's bath is prepared tepid and of dis-tilled water, the admirable advantage of which is not properly understood. Every particle of foreign matter is removed from distilled water, so that it is absolutely

particle of foreign matter is removed from distilled water, so that it is absolutely pure. It costs about 12 cents per gallon, and can be used, a quart at a time, for a quick sponge bath, with admirable effect, especially when combined with a little lycerine and rose water.-Philadelphis

> A Circassian in Battle Array. Were war to embody itself in a human shape, it could find no better incarnation

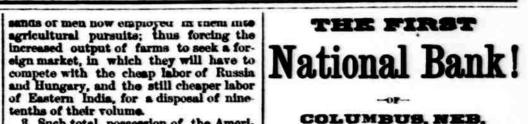
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considered by parents, teachers and com-panions as unbecoming and offensively low conduct. The girls, too, have pronounced opinions as to the proper sphere for a "higher daughter" or for a "lower" one, or for one who is neither higher nor front-Bismarck. lower, but so exceedingly poor as to be called "free." Free from pride and prejudice, I suppose. A German boy enters the lowest class of the gymnasium, called "Sexta," when he is about 8 years of age. The next class is called "Quinta," then "Quarta," "Tertia " "Secunda" and "Prima." When he

has toiled through all of these he tries to they desired the course of the war chr pass the very difficult "Abiturienten exicled for the world, for no country rather than the United States. "You might not amen." He has now an exclusive and expect that from such a conservative as I thorough education, and may enter a uni am supposed to be." Our papers, he said, would secure us the good will of German versity If he has successfully passed the examination he is then allowed to become officers. Should we need food we might a soldier. That is to say, he would have apply at the king's headquarters. We must be careful not to fee French famito join the army anyway, but when he has attended the gymnasium or real school up lies where we might be quartered; that might cause dissatisfaction among the soldiers who could not pay. The families furnish accounts for all services, which would be paid. He also admonished us to "Secunda," he anters the ranks as i "volunteer." being only compelled to serve during one year, and in Germany to be forced to be a soldier for no longer than not to carry arms; otherwise if captured one year may be considered equal to volunwe might suffer as combatants.

teering in any other country. RIGOROUS DISCIPLINE.

of sitting down before the teacher motions

his head.

He made no inquiry about our experi-ences in France. To his question whether he could do anything for us, Halstead said the one thing he needed was a horse; I have mentioned the rigorous discipline of German schools This discipline can be maintained only by the co-operation of the he would pay largely for one. "We are parents with the teachers. A well regu here," said Bismarck, "a nation on horse-back, and I fear the horse is just what we lated system of reward and punishment, cannot supply." Halstead said, with his serious smile, "It seems a little hard that with a careful surveillance, holds the boys under control. If a parent does not agree the one thing a man needs and is ready to pay for is precisely the thing he can't have." "Haven't you generally found that the case through life?" said Bismarck, with some of the severe penalties inflicted upon the boy his son is apt to be expelled for fear of his undermining the discipline. School begins about 7 a.m. At five min quietly. He introduced us to one or two utes past that hour the doors are closed fficers, and as we left the king waved and those who are late are not admitted, his hand again. I was pleased with Bisbut punished the next day The boys marck's voice and manner. He was frank await their teachers in their respective and without egotism .- Moncure D. Conclass rooms. When the teacher enters way in The Cosmopolitan. they all rise as one boy and never think

was all said in excellent English.

Education of the Brain.

The brain can be trained just like the hand. This is the great subject of educa-tion. An empty head is an evil head; an them to do so. When he leaves they go through the same ceremony. When a boy is asked a question he rises and remains untrained brain is a mischievous brain. standing until he is through. No student The brain must be used all round, and perhaps the greatest danger of school éducation at present is that the memory is cultivated principally or almost alone. dare to omit lifting his cap when meeting any teacher of the school on the street. The teachers of all classes up to "Tertia" It is not walking encyclopedias that do good in the world, but skilled brains, able are furnished with a reed or switch, which is a cheap and ever ready assistant. A refractory boy is ordered to stretch his to think and not merely to remember. No teaching is likely to be of much permanent value which does not exercise other faculties of the mind, the reflection and hand out, the palm upward, and before he knows it he has got such a whack as will judging powers. the power of giving un-divided attention and the power of taking beat an entire Latin grammar at once into pains. Interest in the work is essential It is not invariably through the hand to true progress, and the most enduring knowledge is that which we teach ourhowever, that science and literature are made to enter a boy's brain. Some teachselves. Imagination should be stimulated ers consider the ears to be the best meby wholesome and stirring stories and all dium, while others give preference to the the wealth of poetry; and the will should be educated by forcing ourselves to do our boys' backs as presenting the broadest surface. Bad marks are given as the duties promptly even when disagreeable.

as they so often are. lightest punishment, with the silent un-Habits are largely the result of trainderstanding that two of them be equal to ing; the same part of the brain is used over and over again; the nervous energy one thrashing. When a boy is kept in after schooltime his parents are at once travels the same set of fibers from the notified of the fact. Not unfrequently a same center time after time, until ultiparent gets a notice that his son is to stay mately it passes without any centr 1 and almost unconsciously. The painfn' forts of learning an art in the end give an un-noticed mastery over it. Here is the danger of self indulgence in any vice.— C. H. Pollock, M. D., it The Chautanquan. at school, not for a certain number of hours, but of days. Every school has a jail, called "Carcer." From one to eight or more days of school prison is a punishment for graver offenses. If incurred repeatedly, the boy is expelled. This pun-

Sarah Bernhardt at Work. ishment deprives him from being admitted to any other public school throughout the country While in the school jail the boy The amount of work which Sarah Bernhas to pay for his board. He is then in

passing, and it occurred to me as hardly safe for the king to run the risk of a BITS OF GOOD ADVICE.

consists of the irregular curvature of the

cornes. In such cases one part of the eve

may be myopic while the other is hyper

mytropic. To avoid this, glasses must be

used with lenses specially ground for the

Corday pistoleuse. A columnar individual "How should the eyes be taken care of?" appeared at the king's door, with upheld "That depends entirely upon circumfinger desiring approach. There was but one man in Europe with that head and stances. Each man's eyes differ from those of his fellow. No two pairs are He said with a pleasant and somewhat alike. Here are a few simple directions humorous tone, glancing at our civilian dress, "May I ask where you are from, gentlemen, and your destination?" "We are in cases of accident which would be well follow. When a cinder or any foreign substance gets into the eye, never rub the Americans," I said: I think Halstead added. eye. Wait a moment, then gently open "just from France." Bismarck opened and close the lid; the tears which follow our credentials lazily, but I could see his eve fixed like a solar microscope upon this operation will usually wash out the intruding substance. However, should it them. He welcomed us cordially, saying refuse to go, turn up the lid under which the substance is and remove it with a soft handkerchief. If the substance becomes imbedded in the corner, or eyeball, go to a physician immediately. In bathing the eyes it makes no material difference, as has been alleged, whether they are rubbed toward the nose or from it. It is injudicious, however, to allow water to enter the eye, as this act may engender disease. It should never be allowed except under skilled advice. Do not use the eyes after they are tired. They should be rested, if only for a moment. Avoid the use of the This

eyes while traveling in a railway carriage or in a poor light. Do not work with the head bent low. Use a sloping desk when writing Never allow the light to shine in your eyes while working; let it come over the left shoulder, if possible. If this cannot be accomplished wear a shade.

Avoid the use of colored glasses unless under competent advice, except when exposed to bright light, such as the glare of the sun upon anow or water. Then they may be used with great benefit. London smoked glasses, or blue, are the only colors that should be worn under these circumstances Avoid holding a book when reading, too near the eye, as the nearer it is held the greater the strain. On the other hand, do not hold it far

away, as then the strain is even greater. Contagion is the mest fertile cause of the spread of external diseases, especially granular lids. This is most generally the case in public institutions, where children live and sleep together, and often wash themselves in the same water. Isolation is the only known method for preventing the spread of this disease. A normal eye should be perfectly strong and not become easily tired. It should not require the use of glasses until the age of 40 or 45 has been reached. By the use of proper glasses they should remain strong indefinitely A far sighted man requires glasses for reading much earlier than a man who is near sighted. When a person does not need glasses for reading at 50 years of age it proves conclusively that he must have been near sighted in his youth .-New York Mail and Express.

The Blaves of China.

The question will naturally arise in many minds how these vast numbers are maintained and controlled in servitude. The answer is that all people are taught obedience to the head of the family, whether that person is the real parent or whether he merely stands in loco parentis. The teachings of parents, of the schools, of the books of religion, and of the government, are all in favor of such obedience and submission. There can be no

living in China outside of a family. To be nobody's child is to be an outcast, and hardt has to get through daily would be enough to kill anybody but a fashionable actress. Never home from the theatre

whereas it is a hygienic crime for a man to get up before he wants to. The desire to sleep late in the morning is one of na-

ture's most emphatic intimations that more time is needed for repairs. For a man to go to work in the morning in a sleepy, semi-comatose condition is simply gradual suicide. There is another popular delusion that a man should stop eating while he is yet hungry. He might as well stop breathing before his lungs are filled. Hunger is the barometer that tells the state of the stomach. A man is never hungry unless he ought to est. There is another delusion that night air is unhealthy-as if any one could get anything but night air at night. There is really no air so unhealthy as day air bottled up and kept until night There has been no way discovered for preserving air like huckleberries by bottling .- Yankee Blade.

> Railroad Building in Tennessee A smart citizen of Tennessee was in New York a few days ago to see about raising money for a proposed railroad line down in his country, and when asked to

explain, he said: "There's no explanation about it. This is to be a railroad 200 miles long." "But about the company." "Oh, that's been organized and all

officers elected. "What's the capital?" "Fifty million dollars." "How much stock has been taken?" "About \$300 worth." "What, only \$300 worth?" "That's all, mister, and if you fellers

down here will only pitch in and gobble up the rest of it, we'll go shead and make things hum."-- Texas Siftings. Cleveland Abandoned as a Reformer.

There were a large number of votes given to Mr. Cleveland four years ago that has done much to alienate. If the election to come were to be decided upon his civil service record much of the enthusiasm that was in the independent support before accorded him would be missing, and there are not a few men who were a part of this who would decline to repeat

those Democratic candidates for congress who were opposed to free trade is another proof of the hypocrisy of the civil service reform pretensions of President Cleveland. This country never saw a more unscrupulous political machine than the Democratic party has made of our national govern-ment.-Cleveland Leader.

cabbages on the same ground; the plan is like to result in "club foot." Lime is beneficial to the whole cabbage family. The richer the soil and the better its The renter the soil and the better its preparation, the larger and heavier will be each head of cabbage. No crop re-sponds more promptly to generous culti-vation than does the cabbage. The plants should be pushed by frequent stirring of

Salt is placed first in importance as a preventive of cholers among swine by an old Kentucky breeder. He claims that salt, of all substances, is the best pro-moter of digestion as well as an antidote hunted like the wolf on the mountains. against worms. This breeder has adopted In order to live in a house, to travel on the plan of salting all his animals in

Second Canaller-Five dollars First Canaller-Why not pay \$7 and get good one?-Kingston Freeman

The Charm of Music Fair Visitor (to convict)-I suppose, sir, that the singing of the birds relieves the monotony of your dreary life? Convict (profoundly nonplused) - The singing of the birds, miss? Fair Visitor-Yes, sir, the little jai birds, you know. They must be such a

boon.-New York Sun. A Russian Reading Room.

A public reading room, the first of the vending papers at the big bridge entrance and the immediate neighborhood. Some W. A. MCALLISTER. W. M. CORNELIUM kind, has just been opened at St. Petersdaughters, and one has a buxom girl of 17 MCALLISTER & CORNELIUS burg, in connection with a good library, of them are assisted by little sons and to which beoks have been contributed by some public spirited citizens. Admittance or 18, whose raven hair and ruddy cheeks is free, and permission is given to borrow attract a great deal if not always respectbooks for reading at home.-Public Opin- ful attention There is not much chivalry in the newsboys who do not hesitate to

mob a man or haze a boy who intrudes on The Rising Sun. Old Wimple (solemnly)-Young man, to attain success in this world we must be then business - New York Sun. up and doing. Do you ever see the sun An Ancient Mariner.

rise? Young man-Yes, sir, occasionally. "When?" "On my way home."-Texas Siftings.

Women in Journalism. and who lived for many years at the Court of Yedo, where he obtained extraordinary There are said to be fully 200 women mployed in editorial capacities on the influence. His grave was discovered some years ago on the summit of one of the various newspapers and journals published in New York. Twenty-five years ago hills overlooking the government arsenal there was not one-tenth of this number at Yokosuka, near Yokohama.

at work.

similarly employed .- New York Evening World.

Rosa Bonheur in the streets of Paris is As He Pleases. large, elderly lady, rather plainly "Are you fond of the theatre?" he said. dressed in black, her gray hair tucked as they were passing the Bliou. under a close bonnet. Years ago she "Yes, very fond." dressed as a boy so as to attract less at-"Shall we go into the Bijou?" tention from the hangers on of the "Let it Bijou please," was the reply .stables, cattle yards and menageries, which were visited chiefly by men, and she still wears male attire at home when

New York Sun. A Powerful Empire. Harlem Teacher-Tommy Traddles may

tell us what the greatest empire in the Asheville, N. C., gets a public building world is. by the appropriation bill becoming a law Tommy Traddles (captain of his nine)by lapse of time through the president's Pugerson; he's de greatest empire.-New failure to sign it. As he neither signed nor vetoed it, Asheville gets the building and he gets the credit. This is for Bun-York Sun.

On a Pinch. Mr. Vanderbilt is said to be suffering from dyspepsis. If this is the result of employing a \$10,000 cook, we shall try to worry along without employing such an

expensive domestic assistant.-Norristown Herald. Ordering a Meal. Young Man (in a loud tone of voice)-

Aw-waiter, have you quall on toast? Good people die and bad people live. Watter-Yes, sir. The man who is fat with health can't get Young Man (in a low tone of voice)employment, and the man who is making Bring me some of the toest .- Life. money hand over fist has to give up busi-

Smeking "Interstate" Cigars. A great many interstate cigars are

smoked down town. They are so called because when they are smoked in New The First Symptoms York they can be smelled in New Jersey .-New York Tribune. Of all Lung diseases are much the same :

Both Getting On.

than the fierce, tiger like beauty of the Circassian in his battle array, with his shining heimet and ringing mail, his saber clanking at his side, and his long moun-tain rifle on his shoulder. But even in CO. SUP'T PUBLIC SCHOOLS. his more peaceful dress of embroidered white tunic and sheepskin cap, loose black I will be in my office in the Court House, the third Saturday of each month for the examina-tion of applicants for teachers' certificates, and for the transaction of other school business. velvet trousers, and sash of crimson silk, there is something barbaric and warlike about his whole appearance which harmon-izes only too well with the flash of his 1%jan88 ATALGRAF BROS.

eagle eye and the stern compression of his mustached lips. You can see at a glance that war and peril and bloodshed are this man's natural element, and that, Light and heavy hauling. Goods handled with are. Headquarters at J. P. Becker & Co.'s office. 'elephone, 33 and 34. 30mar87y when tamed and civilized, he will lose not only his native picturesqueness, but even the very mainspring of his existence.— David Ker in The Cosmopolitan. M. K. TURNER & CO.

Women Who Sell rewspapers. The number of grown women who sell newspapers on the streets is constantly

British residents in Japan are subscrib-

ing for the repair of the grave of Will

Adams, a British sailor, who was ship-

wrecked in Japan in the reign of James I.

Ross Honhour.

Very Apropos.

combe, of which county Asheville is the

Domestic Affairs.

Robinson - You seem troubled this

Robinson-How much do you owe her?

Robinson-Your cook -- New York Sun

feverishness, loss of appetite, sore

capital. - Indianapolis Journal.

morning, Brown, and out of sorts.

Brown-Yes, domestic affairs.

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