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This Dreaded Disease Has Been an Epidemic in the United States Since the War.

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iteminds the People of the State that This is Not the Only Death Breeder.

In this enlightened beginning of the twentieth century it seems hardly proper to say anything startling to business men to incite them to do their duty to their familles in the matter of life insurance. Yet many good citizens neglect this proper provision for the future until they are uninsurable or death has called them from the scene of their activities. The prevalence of smallpox affords the reason for impressing this subject upon the minds of readers of this newspaper.

IT MAY BE TOO LATE,

if the application is postponed. While smallpox is no longer so dangerous and the present epidemic is very mild, those who are stricken with the loathsome disease are always badly frightened. It must therefore be the occasion of intense remore: to the victim to find himself in quarantine without having first made provision for his family. But smallpox is not half so deadly as pneumonia and is more injurious to the system from the insurance point of view than rheumatism.

NOW IS THE ACCEPTED TIME.

This saying is trite but true. In the matter of life insurance it is quite as important as in religion. "We know not the day or the hour" when the call shall come and so far as the benefit to the dependent ones are concerned any tendency to disease or the dregs of a fever or cold may make insurance impossible. The important thing is to look after your life insurance without delay and to place your policy with an up-to-date, progressive, liberal home com-

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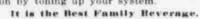
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inventions made submarine tele- to the next. graphy practicable.

Prof. Thomson, as he then was, miral upon whom many stories were told-was one day discovered by a visitor ex- in most cases true ones. perimenting with a long coil of wire. He What is that for?" asked the caller,

"Making sounds."

"Ah!" said the other, with jecular inent, "What kind of note does it give off?"

Bishop Potter is accused of having given currency to the following anecdote:

A Chicagoan had been taken around Boxhad failed to exhibit any of those symptoms of paralysis which are acceptable to the Bostonian mind.

"Now confess," said the Bostonian host, after the burden and heat of the day, "isn't Boston a unique town?"

"Unique?" mused the westerner; "I be-

HE London Express tells this story their yarns, like the traditions of the In of Lord Kelvin, whose electrical dians, are handed down from one generation

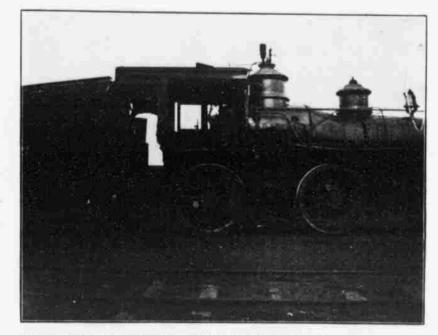
Years ago there was a brusque old ad-

At one time when the warship of which was in the midst of his deep-sea soundings. the admiral was in command was off the coast of Portugal the king of that country expressed a desire to visit an American man-of-war.

ent. "What kind of note does it give off?" The admiral received the party with "The deep C. of course!" replied the great cordiality, but instead of addressing the royal visitor as "your majesty" 'your highness" he invariably called him "klng."

It was "Step this way, king;" "Look out for your head, king," when showing him on all day to observe her bulwarks, but about the vessel, and before his majesty departed the admiral convulsed all within hearing by saying hospitably, "King, come down in the cabin and have a drink."

> While Dr. Stewart Webb is traveling in the far west his friends in Vermont are keeping him in mind for the nomination



LOCOMOTIVE OF FREMONT, ELKHORN & MISSOURI VALLEY RAILWAY ON WHICH A SIDEROD BROKE WHILE PULLING A PASSENGER TRAIN NEAR CHADRON-ENGINEER JIM STANTON WAS BADLY IN-JURED BY THE ACCIDENT

lieve that word is derived from two Latin for governor, reports the Philadelphia words, unus, one, and equs, horse. I think Press. It was while he was courting his Boston is a unique town.

Representative McCleary of Minnesota tells a story of the man who was running what is known in that country as a "blind In the east the establishment would be known as a "speak-easy."

According to Mr. McCleary, the man was arrested, tried, convicted and fined. He went back and again engaged in the busi-He was again arrested, again tried, again convicted and again fined. He returned to his illegal business. After this performance had been repeated several times, the magistrate questioned him:

"How long," asked the mag strate, "are ou going to keep this thing going?" "as there's 8 "As long," was the reply,

cents' profit in a 10-cent drink."

This tale was told by Judge Pennypacker. in beginning a response to a toast at a Pennsylvania-German banquet in Philadelphia. The story, he said, showed the readiness Pannaylvania Dutchman those in authority:

In 1864. Sheridan, under orders, burned every barn from a valley above Staunton to a certain point below Winchester. A band of angry rebels followed this raid, watching for a chance to pick up any stragglers. Among others who fell into their hands was a little Pennsylvania Dutchman, who quietly turned to his captors and inquired:

"Vat you fellows going to do mit me?" The reply came short and sharp:

'Hang you."

" Vell," he said meekly, "vatever is the rule." His goodnatured reply threw the confederates into a roar of laughter that saved

Many different persons find the beginning of a conversation awkward, especially on ceremonious occasions and with strangers. Sometimes, however, the beginning is not half so awkward as what comes afterward A bashful young man on being introduced

o a woman at a dinner party, said: "I've got to take you in to dinner, Miss Travers, and I'm rather afraid of you, you know. Everyone tells me you're very

The young weman was naturally amused by this display of simplicity.
"How absurd!" she exclaimed, "I'm not

bit clever." and answered:

"Well, do you know, I thought you

weren't!"

wife (a daughter of William H. Vanderbili) that Dr. Webb began his annual visits ! the Green Mountain state. To be near her h paid a call upon the late William M. Evarts, who owned a fine farm in Vermont.

Mr. Webb arrived at the ex-senator's

house about noon on a very hot day. Luncheon was just served in the dining room, the table placed almost underneath a large. old-fashioned fireplace. Among other things on the beard was a cold ham, stuck all over with spices, which Mr. Evarts proceeded to carve.

"Doctor," he asked, "did you ever hear of

the — magazine?"
"Oh, yes," replied Dr. Webb, "I believe it is something new they have just started over in Brooklyn."

"Well, doctor," continued Mr. Evarts. "that magazine has written me to send them something choice from my pen. guess I'll send them a slice of this ham.

In his talk to the members of the New York Press club W. J. Bryan told stories:

"When I was nominated in '96 a well known republican said to me: 'If you stay at home you'll be defeated, but not disgraced. If you go out and work you'll be defeated, anyhow, but there II be more mortification attached to it.' Now another republican teld me a story some time ago -I did not tell this in the campaign (Laughter.)

'A certain man died, and, as no one could identify him, he was taken to the morgu-Well, a man came up and identified the dead man as his father. An undertaker was got and arrangements were made for a decent burial. The corpse was put into a casket and dressed. A napkin was tucked under his chin. The son arrived to take a last look at his father, and in fixing the napkin under the chin of the corpse the dead man's mouth opened and a set of false teeth fell to the floor.

"The man who had identified the dead set up a howl that he didn't know the man now ecause his father never had false teeth. The corpse was thrown into a corner, and the would-be claimant went over and addressed it thus: 'If y'd kept yer mouth closed, yer stiff, y'd a got a decent burial.

"I've heard a great many remarks about my mouth, complimentary and otherwise I was speaking once in a country town, and noticed during my speech a small man The young man heaved a sigh of relief sitting in front who watched me very in-and answered: tently. When I had finished he stalked up to me, grasped my hand, and said in a loud

" 'Mr. Bryan, I've listened to and watched The fondness of navy officers for telling a great many speakers, but you're the only okes at each other's expense is well man I've heard speak where I could see his known, says Lippincott's Magazine, and back teeth all the time." (Loud Laughter.)



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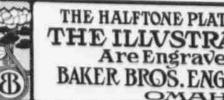
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