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"Judith of the Plains," by Marie Manning, a romance of the plains at the end Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, told of the big cattle days in Wyoming. Judith stands out against the background of cattle stealing, cattle stampeding and lynching. a noble figure of a girl, throbbing with passion and life, and carrying the tale to a thrilling climax. Strong and virile as are the main scenes, the story abounds with fun, and among the characters is Mrs. Yellett, whose original humor will be talked about. Published by Harpers.

> "The Trifler," by Archibald Eyre, is not a historical novel, but a love story with woven in with the love element. The illustrations are by Archie Gunn. The Smart Set Publishing Company.

tinies, by H. Rider Haggard. Probably this to draw from, and "we hear the echoes book is not a romance of the kind one of its speech everywhere and the music might expect from this author. There are of its familiar phrases haunts all the fields few exciting events and the ending is not and groves of our fine literature." No conventional, yet all readers who are admodern poet has manifested more inti- mirers of Rider Haggard will doubtless ate acquaintance with the Bible than Rob- enjoy the book. Published by Longmans.

"The Duke Decides," by Headon Hill. In

"Two Sides of the Pace" midwinter tale by A. T. Quiller-Couch. There are eight tales in this series, written in the best Barry. A tale of the happy life led by style of this celebrated author. Each tale daughter of the weather observer is complete in itself and just long enough to be interesting. Published by Charles

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"Miladi," by Clara E. Laughlin, written for my dear "Miladi." "Harking back to your education, your experience in the industrial world and your decision in favor of the claims of home and coming down to the development of your love; the building of your House o' Dreams and your Motherood. Published by Fleming H. Revell

The above books are for sale by the Me geath Stationery Co., 1308 Farnam street.

BIRTHPLACE OF JESUITISM

Rev. M. J. O'Connor, S. J., Lectures at Creighton University Hall on

the Order. "The Cradle of Jesuttism" was the sub

sect of a lecture given last night at Creighton university hall by Rev. M. J. O'Connor. S. J., vice president of the university, to a large and attentive audience.

The lecture was a recital of the inception, history and transactions of the Order of Jesus. The order received its birth in the holy grotto of Maresa, near the Pyrenees in Spain, its author being Ignatius Loyolla. After reviewing the incidents which lead up to Loyolla's self-imposed confinement in the famous grotto, some of the suffering he underwent while so confined was mentioned, following which he was blessed with unspeakable ecstacies. Having thus been granted a glimpse of the heavenly portais he was able to give to the world an order which, it is claimed, had the divine sanction, and was blessed with divine favor and strength, as proven by the vicissitudes it has met and come off victor. The fact was also mentioned that the order has been severely criticised, that men have lost their lives because of their isfense of it, but that through it all the order had gone ahead doing good and meeting the mission which was in the mind of its author at the time he first gave it to

Estimate on Light Plant. YANKTON, S. D., Dec. 10-(Special.)-The report of Expert John J. Flatcher was preented to the city council last night. Mr. Flatcher was called here to examine the electric lighting plant, which the city may Mr. Flatcher reports that the value of the plant as it stands is \$14,755. The price of the present holder is \$16,000 without office Mr. Flatcher puts but a small value on these and recommends the purchase of the plant without them. Repairs and changes in the plant which are necessary would cost the city \$4,500, but with the plant in good order fifty are lights can be operated. Mr. Flatcher made an extended report on the cost and possibility of obtainbattery of wells south of the city. For fire pipe of steel, sixty-five feet in height, with a capacity of 161,000 gullons. The electric plant can be used for a pumping station and

new mains to replace the present ones,

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First Angual Communication from Department of Commerce and Labor.

CAPITAL AND LABOR ARE ON EQUALITY

Reports Regarding Condition Labor and Unions in Other Countries Are Soon to Be Published in Bulletins.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.-The first annual report of the secretary of commerce and apor gives a full account of the progress made in the organization of the aepart ment, discusses at considerable length the work of the various bureaus, compiles with the several provisions of law relating to statements of moneys received and disbursed and makes such comments and recommendations in regard to commercial and industrial affairs as appear to be warranted by existing conditions.

The following are extracts from Secretary Cortelyou's report:
On July 1, 1808, the personnel of the department complised 1,250 employes in Washington and 0,000 in the country at large, making a total of 10,125. The appropriations to be expended under the direction of the department amounted to \$9,006,840.
The smallness of the initial appropriations rendered it impracticable in the time between the creation of the department and the next session of congress to do more than secure the systematic arrangement and co-ordination of the bureaus and branches brought together. It precluded, except in the most general why, the prosecution of new ilness of investigation or the development of new plans of administration. Cortelyou's report:

Civil Service Law Enforced,

The civil service regulations have been observed in every detail from the establishment of the department. Appointments have been made and will be made strictly upon merit, whether under the civil service requirements of in cases exempt from such requirements. As far as practicable i desire to do away with connidential files. They are often the result of the blackguard and blackmail. Only such files should be held connidential as the law requires or public considerations demand. Every official document in the department, whether it relates to appointments, contracts or other subjects, should be accessible to authorized inspection and should afford a full and satisfactory answer to every proper. and satisfactory answer to every proper

and satisfactory answer to every proper inquiry.

One of the most important branches of the department's work is that of statistics. By the organic act this new executive establishment is made the statistical department of the government.

The department alms to furnish the business world with more prompt, more complete and more reliable statistical reports upon the various subjects of commercial and industrial interest.

Co-operate with Farmers.

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In planning measures for the development of American commerce it is the purpose of the department to devote itself impartially to the various interests concerned in that development. All possible means will be employed for the extension of our export trade in products of the farm as well as in manufactured articles. Wherever possible the co-operation of the Department of Agriculture will be sought, in order that these two branches of the government service may work together for the benefit of the American farmer.

An effort is being made to secure a prompter issue of the department's publications without impairing their accuracy. The value of government documents depends essentially on their presentation of current conditions, rather than the reproduction of facts and figures with which an energetic country is already acquainted.

From a preliminary study it became apparent that the public records of states and territories, the reports of special committees appointed under state or federal authority, the files of cestain government offices, and various commercial and industrial publications contained a fund of valuable information on the subjects to be investigated. This information is being brought together, analyzed and properly indexed, in order that the facts already known may be utilized in planning more apecific inquirles.

Results thus far obtained show that much Results thus far obtained show that much fuller information has been given in the past than is generally supposed.

Capitalists and wage receivers are to be Capitalists and wage receivers are to be treated on an equality, for in these mat-ters relating to labor and capital and to their respective representatives the depart-ment must stand in the position of an educational office, collecting and publishing such information as will enable each party to understand more fully the prevailing

The department has no executive func-tions relative to the settlement of labor disputes. It cannot interfere on behalf of either employer or employe in contro-

of either employer or employe in controversies between them.

As the result of investigations in progress or completed, forthcoming bulletins will contain the following special articles: "Labor Unions and British Industry;" "Labor Conditions in Australia;" "Labor Conditions in he Philippine Islands;" "The Revival of Handicrafts in the United States;" "Trade Union Movement Among the Coal Mine Workers of the United States."

Immigration and Naturalization. Immigration is one of the department's most important administrative problems. Of the numerous aliens coming annually to our shores many possess the elements of good citizenship, but others, by reason of physical or moral defects, are strongly objectionable, and out of regard for our national wellbeing should be refused admission. Progress has already been made in the enactment of laws on this subject and in their enforcement, but much by way of detail remains to be accomplished. The subject is so broad and concerns so closely the people of the entire country that it should be approached in a reasonable and conservative spirit. Care should be taken not to draw hasty conclusions from unusual conditions or to advocate more radical legislation without full knowledge of the facts.

The report of the commissioner general regarding the fraudulent use of naturalization papers demands serious attention. The extent to which such frauds are successfully practiced in order to evade the immigration laws shows clearly the need of legislation to safeguard more thoroughly the method of obtaining citizenship and to prevent the fraudulent use of certificates of naturalization.

Future of the Department. Immigration is one of the department's tost important administrative problems of the numerous aliens coming annually

Future of the Department.

In concluding his report, the secretary says:

"The department deals with the great concerns of commercial and industrial life. To be of service to these interests it must have their hearty co-operation and support. It must be a department of business, it must be progressive, but at the same time conservative. It must not deviate in its course from the pathway of justice, strict and impartial. It must be nonpartisan in the highest and broadest sense. It must recognize no distinction, as between large and small interests, as between the affluent or powerful and the humblest citisen. If it attempts to occupy a field that properly belongs to private endeavor it will inevitably fail to realize the high hopes of its present well-wishers. It must adhere rigidly to the lines marked out since the foundation of the government for federal agencies in executing the will of the people. If these general principles are made effective, if conservatism and impartiality, coupled with ever-increasing efficiency, mark its administration, I cannot but believe that this new department will become a mighty influence for good in our commercial and industrial affairs." In concluding his report, the secretary

RECTOR OF ST. LUKE'S,

Ashburnham, Ontario, Testifies to the Good Qualities of Chamberlatu's Cough Remedy.

ASHBURNHAM, Ont., April 18, 1903 .think it is only right that I should tell you what a wonderful effect Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has produced. The day before Easter I was so distressed with a cold and cough that I did not think to be able to take any duties the next day, as my voice was almost choked by the cough The same day I received an order from you for a bottle of your Cough Remedy. I at once procured a sample bottle, and took about three doses of the medicine To my great relief the cough and cold had completely disappeared and I was able to rotection Mr. Flatcher recommends a stand | preach three times on Easter Day. I know that this rapid and effective cure was du to your Cough Remedy. I make this testimontal without solicitation, being thankful the total cost of installing river water with to have found such a God-sent remedy. a filtering system, including stand pipe and Respectfully yours.

E. A. LANGFELDT, M. A., Bector of St. Luke's Church. NOTES ON OMAHA SOCIETY.

About sixty members and friends Metropolitan club enjoyed a whist party last evening, the third of the series of af fairs announced by the club for the winter Ten tables were arranged upstairs in the ball room, and after the game, which resuited in favor of Miss Hattle Dreifus, Mrs. Isanc Meyer, Miss Hattle Rehfeld and Mrs. Laev, the floor was cleared and the time given over to dancing until midnight,

when supper was served. Mrs. A. W. Bowman entertained at uncheon yesterday at her home, 1009 Park avenue. Mrs. Charles K. Urquhart will give

uncheon Wednesday in honor of her guest, Miss Blanche Davis of Milwaukee and Mrs. Snyder of Louisville, Ky., who is visiting Mrs. W. P. Mikesell.

The members of the N. I. T. Whist club will be the guests of Mrs. Louis Reichenberg, Tuesday

Miss Jennie Kline will entertain Friday's meeting of the A. O. T. Bowling club. Among the hostesses of today are: Mrs. G. W. Fisher, who is entertaining at cards this afternoon; Miss Potter, who enter tains the Luncheon club; Miss Cecil Eflett, who receives for Miss Elsie Seifken; Miss Margaret Preston, who is entertaining at cards this afternoon, and Mrs. Oscar Williams, who is entertaining this afternoon. The Pinto-Spalding wedding at the Second United Presbyterian church this evening will be the largest affair of the at the first regular meeting in Januaryday and the dancing party given by the St. Croix club at Metropolitan club will be among the pleasant affairs.

The rooms, were prettily trimmed with endorsement of the nominations made by

very pretty whist party Wednesday after- the three long-term directors. Little at-Wertheimer, Mrs. Lee Rothschild and Mrs. Louis Rothschild were awarded the prizes. Mrs. Louis Reichenberg was at home informally Tuesday afternoon complimentary to her sister, Mrs. Baer of Chicago. Miss Minnie Meyer gave a box party at

the Krug Wednesday afternoon for Miss Levenger, Miss Rehfeld's guest. luncheon at Balduff's followed. Invitations for the luncheon announced by Mrs. Allen B. Smith for Friday, for Miss Cady, Miss Coffman and Mrs. Clar-

ence Richmond Day, have been recalled, owing to a defith in the family of Mrs. Smith's sister. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gates will give a large dinner, followed by cards, Monday evening, in celebration of their twentieth

wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Von Trott have issued invitations for the wedding of their daughter, Miss Nettle von Trott, and Mr. Charles A. Muier, which will be solemnized at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, December 23, at their residence, 4303 Erskine street.

The senior class of the High school is making elaborate preparations for the Prom" to be given at Metropolitan club Saturday evening. The committee in company has paid its taxes for 1902 and charge of arrangements includes Messrs. that the city has paid its hydrant rental. Fred Thomas, Ben Cherrington and Junius The engagement is announced of Mr. D.

P. Mann and Miss Wilhelmina A. Beriing-

Missa Lizzie Levenger of Sloux Falls S. D., is the guest of Miss Lena Rothschild Mrs. Harry Hirsch of Des Moines is visitng her mother, Mrs. Louis Rothschild. Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Kirkendall are ex pected home Friday from a visit with Miss Kirkendall in New York. Miss Kirkendall expects to spend the holidays with

friends in Savannah, Ga. Mr. S. E. Oleson of Minneapolis is guest of Rev. and Mrs. Brinstad. Miss Ella Clarke has gone to Chicago, where she will enter the Chicago Conservatory of Music. Mrs. C. E. Ford of Chicago is the guest

this week of Mrs. J. J. McMullen. Miss Nellie Givens of Seward will come the latter part of the week to be guest of Mrs. Ed P. Smith. Mrs. Joseph Mandelberg and daughter have returned from Sloux City.

Rev. and Mrs. C. W. Brinstad enter tained at dinner last evening in honor of General S. C. Oleson of Minneapolis.

SEASONABLE FASHIONS



Girl's Gymnasium Suit, 4594-In this day of physical exercises and devotion to health the gymnasium suit is as much necessity as the costume for walking on the street. This very excellent one is absolutely simple at the same time that it fulfills all requirements and is suited to the various materials that are used for the purpose. The model, however, is made of dark blue flannel, with the collar and shield of dark red banded with black. The suit consists of the blouse and the bloomers. The blouse is shaped by means of shoulder and under-arm seams, gathered and joined to the belt. The bloomers are generously full and made to droop below front and back belts, which can be Lutoned to that of the blouse,

The quantity of material required for the medium size (12 years) is 4% yards 27 inches wide or 31/2 yards 44 inches wide, street north from Parker. with 1/4 yard of either width for collar and

The pattern 4594 is cut in sizes for girls of 8, 10, 12, 14 and 16 years of age.

For the accommodation of The Bee readers these patterns, which usually retail at from 25 to 50 cents, will be furnished at a nominal price, 10 cents, which covers all expense. In order to get a pattern enclose 10 cents, give number and name of pattern.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Live Stock Exchange Meets Tomorrow to Nominate New List of Officers.

ELECTION WILL BE HELD IN JANUARY

So Far There is Little Talk of In dependent Ticket and Little Interest Attaches to Any but Leading Positions.

Tomorrow afternoon a meeting of the South Omaha Live Stock exchange will be held for the purpose of nominating officers and directors for the year 1904. This meeting will be held in the exchange hall at 2 p. m. A president, vice president, three members of the board of directors for the full term of three years and committees on arbitration and appeals are to be chosen. The retiring officers and directors are: D. S. Parkhurst, president; R. Gilchrist, vice president; E. S. Harrell, W. I. Stephen, Jay Laverty and P. A. Sanders, directors. These directors hold over: Al Powell, W

Sol. Degan. Five members of the committee on arbitration will be nominated and five mem bers of the committee on appeals.

H. Dudley, W. E. Reed, Samuel Mort and

The exchange will nominate a regular ticket and post the names on the exchange bulletin board. The election will be held So far there has been no talk of an independent ticket. An independent ticket, should there be one, would not be con sidered until after the regular nomina-Miss Tukey was guest of honor at an tions of the exchange had been made. In afternoon card party Tuesday, of which case there is only the regular ticket in the field the election will be merely an the exchange. Considerable interest is being manifested

by members of the exchange in the selection of a president, vice president and tention is being paid to the nomination of men for the board of arbitration and the committee of appeals.

Want Better Tracks.

The improvement clubs in the east, south east and southwest portions of the city propose urging upon the officers of the street railway company the necessity for better tracks and better service. It is stated that the car tracks on West Q street are in very bad condition and that the service on this extension has not come up to expectations. A rumor is affoat that in the spring the street car company intends laying a double track from Q street south to the present end of the line in Albright and also on the Missouri avenue

Company Accepts Warrants.

Representatives of the Omaha Water company called at the office of City Treasarer Howe yesterday and accepted the warrant for \$6,517 due from the city for hydrant rental, also the receipt of the treasurer for the company's 1902 taxes. 1mmediately after accepting the warrants and the receipt the water company filed a protest with City Clerk Shrigley against the payment of the 1902 tax. This remon strance alleges that the tax is illegal, but no reasons for such a statement are given. The books of the city now show that the company has paid its taxes for 1902 and

A little over \$600 was cleared by the city firemen by the dance given at the Exchange building on the evening of December 4. Judge and Mrs. Benjamin F. Baker have This money will be placed in the bank returned to their Nome in / Ibuquerque, for a firemen's relief fund. Since the N. M., after a visit of several weeks with fund has a good start the firemen are in favor of raising the monthly assessment

to \$3. The city has eleven paid firemen. Representations Prove False.

A warrant was issued yesterday by Poice Judge King for the arrest of Morris Degan, Thirty-third and Q streets. In the complaint filed by Herman A. Lempke it s charged that Degan secured blankets to the value of \$8.50 by representing that the goods were for one Jay Murphy, Lempke declares under oath that the representations of Degan were false and he tion regarding this matter was submitted about the market now and then for ten not only wants his blankets back but or considered. wants Degan punished.

Magie City Gossip.

Low prices on useful holiday presents Home Furniture Company. Next Monday evening the cavalry troop will give a dance at the armory. The Lotus club gave another dancing party at Massnic hall last evening. Special low prices on watches and rings for Christmas. Sandwill, 2404 N street. Miss May Carlin has resigned her posi-tion as stenographer at the city offices. A business meeting of the South Omaha calvary troop will be held at the armory

Mace Winn is to be agraigned in police court today for the alleged murder of Dan Cashin. Miss Higgins has taken the place Miss Erion as head nurse at the So Omaha hospital. The Amphion club will give a recital at Ancient Order of United Workmen temple on Friday evening. Mrs. John Woodward, Seventeenth and Missouri avenue, has about recovered from her recent severe illness. City officials are still after squatters. person occupying city streets or will be compelled to move before

Members of the Fire and Police board say that the chances are that the board will not hold a meeting until the supreme court hands down a decision. A decision is expected on December 17.

Secretary Marsh of the local Young Men's Christian association received word from W. C. T. Baker, formerly assistant secretary here, but now located at Beatrice, that the canvass for \$20,000 had just been completed for a building. The erection of a fine building at Beatrice was made possible by a gift of \$7,000 from W. A. Wolfe. Members of the Fire and Police board

COUNCILMEN NOT PRESENT Fail to Attend Prospect Hill Improve-

ment Club Meeting Which

Deals with Paving.

The Prospect Hill Improvement club held a largely attended meeting last night. The promised visitation of members of the city council did not materialise and the club had its meeting all to itself.

John Daly of the parks and boulevards committee reported that he had conferred with the park commission and members of the city council relative to the improvement of Lincoln boulevard, but there was very little hope of anything being done be-

fore spring. The proposed grading and paving of Thirty-third street from Cuming to Hamilton street, was discussed and its necessity strongly urged. There was some little opposition to the proposition by one or two property owners along that street, but it is thought that these objections may be overcome in the near future. The proposition of extending the paving of this street to the knees. The upper edge is finished with | Maple also was broached, but it was stated that the Byron Reed interests, which own the majority of the feet frontage from Parker to Maple streets, would decline to sign a petition for paving Thirty-third

> The committee having the matter in charge was continued and requested to continue with the agitation of the proposition, A strong argument for grading and paving Thirty-third street was that this street is practically the sole inlet now to Prospect Hill, and if this street is once paved it will lead to the paving of numerous streets in this locality, and thus ma-terially improve and beautify the district. The matter of grading Decatur street



Edgerton, Wis., tells how she was cured of irregularities and uterine trouble, terrible pains and backache, by the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"Dear Mrs. Pinkham: — A while ago my health began to fail because of female troubles. The doctor did not help me. I remembered that my mother had used Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound on many occasions for irregularities and uterine troubles,

and I felt sure that it could not harm me at any rate to give it a trial.

"I was certainly glad to find that within a week I felt much better,
the terrible pains in the back and side were beginning to cease, and at the terrible pains in the back and side were beginning to cease, and at the time of menstruation I did not have nearly as serious a time as heretofore, so I continued its use for two months, and at the end of that time I was like a new woman. I really have never felt better in my life, have not had a sick headache since, and weigh 20 pounds more than I ever did, so I unhesitatingly recommend your medicine."—Mrs.

MAY HAULE, Edgerton, Wis., Pres. Household Economics Club.

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Don't hesitate to write to Mrs. Pinkham. She will understand your case perfectly, and will treat you with kindness. Her advice is free, and the address is Lynn, Mass. No woman ever regretted having written her, and she has helped thousands.

When women are troubled with irregularities, suppressed or painful menstruation, weakness, indigestion, leucorrhoea, displacement or ulceration of the womb, inflammation of the ovaries, gen-

eral debility, and nervous prostration, or are beset with such symptoms as dizziness faintness, lassitude, excitability, irritability, nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, "all-gone" and "waut-to-be-left-alone" feelings, blues, and hopelessness, they should remember there is one tried and true remedy. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound at once removes such troubles. Refuse to buyany other medicine, for you need the best. Frances Cook, Box 670, Kane, Pa., says:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM: - I suffered for ten years with leucorrhoea, but am glad to say that through the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and her Sanative Wash I am cured, for which I am very thankful."

\$5000 FORFEIT if we cannot forthwith produce the original letters and signatures of above testimonials, which will prove their absolute genuineness.

Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass.

GOSSIP ON COMMISSION ROW Japanese Persimmons Get in and Cut a Wide Swath at

First.

The drawn and folded took worn by cer tain sons of Japan, making their featureholders resemble the opening of a closed of these surprisingly beautiful persimmons has been received in Omaha and any unblased person who looks at them will admit to raise their price. that there can be no hint of a stringency in their compositions. These persimmons have no idea of opening up a regular trade in this city, but merely came here from Santa Barra for the holidays to show the natives what a persimmon with advantages and application can make of itself. They are to wholesale at \$1.50 per case of thirty-two persimmons. They are as pretty as plaster of paris models and are fully three inches through. A few small shipments visited this market last winter, but Japanese here to create any inducements o wealthy persimmons to locate in Omaha, The green onlons are here now, looking like they had just come out of a hospital

by the statement that they are dealing

among the commission men for \$8 a barrel.

also was discussed, but no definite proposi- The nice little onionettes have been flitting days, never in great number. They are from New Orleans. The lemons have, taking them as a

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