Expense of flick Humanity.

PRICE OF DRUGS ARTIFICIALLY RAISED

Heartless Combines Filch Money from the Pockets of the Afflicted-How the Came is Worked and the Results.

W. Crawford Hirsh, until recently drug market editor of the Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter, presents in the New York Independent an instructive account drawn

There are many cases of sickness in of pharmacy.

is as rumpert teday as ever. How vital a drug opium is may be seen from the following description of its medicinal properties, as given in the United States

"Opium relieves pain more speedily and effectually than any other medicine taken into the human stemach. If possessed of no other property than this it would be entitled to a high consideration. Not to mention cancer and other instances of painful disease which are not only temporarily relieved, but entirely cured by remedy, there is scarcely a complaint in the catalog of human allments in the treatment of which it is not occasionally demanded for the relief of suffering, which, if allowed to continue, might aggravate the disorder and protract, if not prove a cure."

Evidence of a Combine. That the speculators think no less of opium than the physicians is conclusively proven by the fact that some years explanation for this continual fluctuation | extant. in the price of opium, the speculators have recourse to the threadbare phase AS CARL SCHURZ SAW THEM of the lay of demand and supply and the uncertainty of the opium crop in Turkey, from which country all medicinal opium comes. Both explanations are not valid. During the past eighteen years a total of 114,530 cases of opium have been grown in Turkey, an average of 6,263 cases a year. a sa matter of fact, there is a considerable surplus of the supply over the dethat "stocks of oplum are well concentrated," which means in effect that if 1858. an epidemic were to cause a large demand for opium, the price of saving human two speculators.

medium of brokers who execute buying ence. broad statement can be made that not a That hazy institution, "the drug market," ests, dictates what you shall pay to get attack or defiance in it. well, if you are sick.

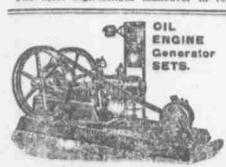
Corners in Quintne. In some instances the "bears" have been known to worst the "buils." Quinine ture, there still remains a difference of manager that had ever lived. several dollars an ounce between the present price of quinine and that of twentythose \$2 or \$3, for each ounce of quinine traded, flow? Largely into those of spec- and big chested. ulators. And who paid them? The sufferer from fever or malaria. As late as

Cod liver oil may be appropriately Hon's mane. termed a poor man's medicine. It is one plugue, consumption. This year's yield

drug. A few years ago these flowers were at 'beautiful speaking.' your little ones to get the measles?

present day, was recently taken in tow by the "bears," and, as a result, quotations are about half of what they were five years ago. On the other hand, the chemist, Brunn, claims to have discovered "bulls" have doubled the price of cascara a liquid chemical compound which renders sagrada, a drug that many practitioners certain kinds of matter proof against the consider as the most valuable laxative effects of time. He asserts that it doubles

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GAMBLING WITH MEDICINES cent years was that engineered a few ODD ENDS OF THE ELECTION all available stocks of pink root (spin equilators Enrich Themselves at the known to medicine. In January the root Quaint Features Chierved as the Smoke of could be had at 45 cents a pound. The speculator who succeeded in cornering the market sent the price to \$1.25, sold his holdings at that figure, and today quota- NEW THINGS TRIED IN POLITICS tions are once more at the normal figure of io cents.

Guarana, a valuable drug, first proscribed by Dr. Garvelle, physician to Dom Pedro, the late emperor of Brazil, could be had a few months ago for 75 cents a pound. A speculator managed to concentrate stocks in his hands and to double the price.

Potassium bromide, a medicament which has been employed in almost all diseases. to which human flesh is heir, and which as swift as the shifting scenes of a kinetois still esteemed by physicians as one of scope. The lights and shadows of the from his experience of the methods of the most valuable drugs in nervous ail- morning after fell on good and bad alike, drug speculators, by which the prices of ments, epliepsy and convulsions, can be revealing scenes alike instructive and drugs necessary to the sick are artificially had today at half its last year's price, raised and fluctuated for the benefit of the speculators. He says, in part:

| Drugs necessary to the sick are artificially had today at half its last year's price, amusing.

| Tom Johnson inaugurated the automobile as a political vehicle when campaign-

silver.

It is no exaggeration to may that fordrug speculation. And who foots the bill?

great abuse, that of adulterated drugs. One appearance. need not be a socialist to wish for legislawith drugs.

they are a humane necessity. present wholesale "market" price is want to see the means of saving or pro- the republican a surplus. twice that of 1892 and 10 per cent higher longing human life the playball of the than in the early part of the year. As an most despicable variety of speculation

Seward the Sorcerer and Douglas the Parliamentary Pugilist in the Old Senate.

In the second section of the late Carl The world's demand is between 4,500 and Schurz's reminiscences, now running in 5,000 cases a year at the most, so that, McClure's Magazine, there are two interesting pen portraits. Of Seward he said: "There was to me something mysterious Millions have been made and in the small, wiry figure, the thin, sallow and his running mate, Lewis Stuyvesant lost in opium speculation, and it is not face, the overhanging eyebrows and the Chandler. The latter was selected by an unusual thing to read in the so-called muffled voice of Seward. I had read some unanimous consent by the Murphy-Hearst market reports of the drug trade papers of his speeches and admired especially those conferees, having been nominated by the he had delivered on the compromise of Independent league for lieutenant governor.

"The broad sweep of philosophical reasoning and the boldness of statement and minute, lives would be arbitrarily fixed by one or prediction I found in them, as well as the fine flow of their language, had greatly drug exchange, such as that in Mineing him to myself, as one is apt to picture for the place, because the other side has Lane, London, the speculators are kept one's heroes, as an imposing personage put one up," in touch with one another through the of overawing mien and commanding pres-

and selling orders for drugs much as the "I was much disappointed when I first ser, a peaceful baker at Sayville, L. I. Wall street broker does for stocks and saw that quiet little man, who, as he who never dreamed that he would be a bonds. Without fear of contradiction, the moved about on the floor of the senate candidate for high political honors until single crude drug passes into the hands with the southern senators as with the nomination as state treasurer. And now of the druggist on the basis of cost plus northern-his speeches were always pera legitimate profit, as one would suppose. sonally polite to everybody-and whose elo- and that he will have to quit baking cution was of dull sound, hardly distinct, bread and ples for Sayville for the next which is dominated by speculative inter- and never had a resonant note of personal two years.

"But he made upon me, as well as upon slight decrease in the cost of manufac- astute, skilful and indeftigable political Moran of New York.

the senate. The meet conspicuous figure in this respect being that Moran had one five years ago. Into whose pockets did in that body was Douglas. He was a nomination more than Hearst, the Massa-

five years ago quinine was quoted at twice ful combativeness; a square jaw and broad only asset was HMoran, but he considered its present price and yet the cost of man-chin; a rather large, firm-set mouth; the that asset ample after he had been elected A London speculator who figured that piercing eyes with a deep, dark, scowling, not be either for Bryan or Hearst for dinine would go up bought 1,006,000 ounces menacing, horizontal wrinkle between president in 1908, but would favor a Massayear or so ago. His losses to date them; a broad forehead, and an abundance chusetts man. His shrinking modesty foramount to \$10,000, but he is still holding of dark hair, which at that period he wore bade his getting closer than that to the the 1,000,000 ounces for a rise, as they say rather long and which, when in excite- identity of the candidate. ment, he shook and tossed defiantly like a Moran has been but a short time a factor

physician has in fighting or at least pre- fight. He was not inaptly called the Lit- stood around and jeered and wondered tle Giant by his partisans.

larger than that of 1901, but quotations clear cut, direct, positive. They went that nobody bothered much about Morand are 30 per cent higher and the "bulls" straight to the mark like bullets, and who burled himself through Boston night When measles are epidemic, American crushing, There was nothing ornate, noth- would do if elected. saffron flowers are a much sought after ing imaginative in his language, no attempt

dioted at a coursed the "bulls" to take clearness and force of statement when his and he haled everybody he could think of, a kindly interest in the drug, and they position was right; or his skill in twisting and more that were thought of for him. sent the price to \$1.35. A short time ago logic or in darkening the subjects with ex-"hears" had their finning, and for a trancous, unessential matter when he was time 80 cents was the prevailing quota- wrong, er his defiant tenucity when he was tion. At the present time the speculators driven to defend himself, or his keen and rejoice in what they are pleased to call crafty aleriness to turn the defense into recovery of values"; a bad time for attack, so that even when overwhelmed with adverse argument he would issue from Cocaine, the most popular anesthetic of the fray with the air of the conquerer."

> Stops the Ravages of Time. A consular report says the Hungarian the density of nearly every kind of stone and renders it waterproof. It imparts to all metals qualities which defy oxygen and

rust. The professor says that while traveling in Greece some twenty-five years ago he noticed that the mortar in stones of ruins which were known to be 2,000 years old was as hard, fresh and tenactous as if it had been made only a year. He secured a piece of the mortar, and has been working on it ever since until now, when, he says, he has discovered the seeret. His discovery, he claims, will at the enat double the life of metal exponed to the air, such as in bridges, ratiroads, vessels and tanks.

git mar'd. Yo' see, I's an old man now, longer an' when de end comes I wants to have some one to close muh eyes. Brother Brownback-Dat's all right, sah,

I 'plauds yo' seal, but I dunnuh so much about yo' judgment. Dis yuh lady will be yo' fifth wife, won't she? Well-uh, I isn't had but two, muhae'f, but befe o' dem Omaha, Neb. opened 'em good an' plenty :- Puck.

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The November battle of the ballots produced changes in the aspect of candidates

One might extend this list of "doctored" lng Ohio a few years ago, but it was left which the physician prescribes a certain values to include almost every drug of for the rival candidates for governor of medicine the place of which nothing else importance. The few that are not the obcan take. The saving of hundreds of ject of speculation are controlled as luxury to an essential in whirlwind camhuman lives depends, therefore, upon the monopolles by powerful interests that fix paigning. If a number of speeches had unrestrained supply of the cardinal druge prices arbitrarily. The most conspicuous to be made in one night at different meetexample of this kind is lodine. Aside from lings far apart the candidate found an au-And yet two attempts to "corner" the fact that the price put on this drug tomobile very convenient in traveling from oplum are part of the history of the by the syndicate that controls its pro- one meeting to the other. As soon as he drug trade, and speculation in this drug duction is out of all proportion to the finished with his speech he hurried out actual cost, there are only a few favored of the hall and jumped into an autofirms to whom the syndicate will sell mobile which was waiting at the door. The direct, and these must pay for their pur- chauffeur had his orders and knew just chases long before they receive them. The where the candidate was going, and in a price of mercury is, as every one knows, brief time the automobile pulled up before fixed by the Rothschilds, whose word is the door of the second meeting place. law with the American miners of quick- This saved the candidate a great deal of trouble and time.

Simplified spelling had its innings in one tunes are made and lost every year in of the assembly districts of Brooklyn. The rivals were Thomas J. Surpless, republican, and William F. Coon, democrat. Mr. The unfortunate sick who are too proud Coon (that is the way he spells it himto partake of the charity of a free hos- self) went to Louis Suizman, a printer, to pital and the taxpayers who have to pay have his campaign literature printed. Suizfor the medical treatment of the indigent. man is a Jewish follower of Brander Mat-The pure food and drug law, which goes thews, and believes in simplified spelling. into effect next year, will remedy one Coon's campaign literature soon made its

There are about 2,500 Jews in the Sixth tion that would put a stop to gambling assembly district, so two sets of campaign literature were printed, one in English Drugs are not a commercial commodity; and the other in Yiddish. There is no C The standard of civilization of a people K-o-h-n in the Hebrew literature and in Yiddish and Sulzman spelled Coon ago they sent prices within a single is justly measured by their regard for C-o-o-n in the English set, and that is week from \$4.67% to \$7 a pound. The human life. Surely Americans do not what caused the defeat of Coon and gave

Maurice Kahn, leader of the republican party of the district, saw good campaign material in Sulzman's literary efforts, and the republicans pointed out to the Jewish voters that Coon was ashamed of Kohn when he wanted the Gentile votes, and posed as Coon to them and as Kohn only to the Jews. Coon denied there was any ruse intended, but Surpless was elected by a plurality of 900.

Uplift of a Pie Baker. During the sessions of the New York democratic convention at Buffalo little or no attention was paid to the selection of the nominee except the head of the ticket But to the selection of the other candi-

"Get me a Dutchman for state treasurer." said Murphy to ex-Senator Bailey of Suf-While there is in New York no regular captivated my imagination. I had pictured folk county. "We must nave a Dutchman

dates no attention was paid until the last

So Senator Bailey went out and got him a Dutchman in the person of Julius Hauchamber, seemed to be on as friendly terms he received a telegram announcing his the returns show that Mr. Hauser is elected

Moran of Massachusetts.

Another much advertised candidate who many others, the impression of a man who went down to defeat was John Brown commanded hidden, occult powers which Moran, who ran for governor of Massachuhe could bring into play if he would. In- setts on the democratic ticket. He is a today sells wholesale at 14% cents an deed, I heard him spoken of as a sort of radical of radicals and for some time after ounce. Some years ago the market price political sorcerer who knew all secrets and he was nominated there were bickerings was \$5 an ounce. Allowing for the 30 per who commanded political forces unknown in Boston as to whether he was the Wilcent duty which was then imposed on to all the world except himself and his liam R. Hearst of Massachusetts or quinine, as well as for the comparatively bosom friend, Thurlow Weed, the most whether Mr. Hearst was the John B.

They were much alike as far as parties "My most distinct recollections are of and platforms went, the chief difference man of low stature, but broad shouldered chusetts foe of the trusts being indorsed by the prohibitionists.

"His head, sitting upon a stout, strong A radical difference was that Hearst neck, was the very incarnation of force- had lots of money and Moran none. His nose straight and somewhat thick; quick, governor this year, and next year he would

"The whole figure was compact and setts. He elected himself district attorney in the democratic politics of Massachuof the most valuable allies which the strongly muscular, as if made for constant of Suffolk a year ago, when everybody "His manner of speech accorded exactly so easy for his opponent, who had been how badly he would be beaten. It seemed of Norwegian cod liver off is 15 per cent with his appearance. His sentences were nominated by both of the great parties,

He made the grand jury an instrument quoted at 30 cents a pound. The preva"But it would be difficult to surpass the had many well known citizens indicted, this man. A volume of biography could be dearness and force of cents and force of cents and force of cents are considered." of torture for the people of Boston. He naturally attracted widespread interest in

> violation of the law Moran had everybody strong hold you have on the confidence concerned in the charge before the grand of the people of this state." jury. He had the legislature there and and dozens of others.

He smote right and left and then an- Paper Mills Seek Raw nounced that he would be a candidate for The conservatives had picked out Henry M. Whitney for the democratic candidate, but he was beaten by Moran in the convention.

Temperance in Kentucky.

through.

He was first elected to the legislature twelve months. They are J. C. S. Black- in pieces. Once sunken a ship becomes the burn and James B. McCreary, who had prey of the countless inhabitants of the been in politics in Kentucky for thirty ocean. years and who were regarded as past mas. They swarm over and through the great Beckham was born.

temperance people voted for him to a man the sea bottom. n the primaries.

among the candidates this year, running turies. The only metals that withstand the and baked it until it was a tallowy con- which caught hold of the under surface of OMAHA MACHINERY & SUPPLY CO. done opened muh eyes-yassah, dey done for congress on the socialist ticket in the chemical action of the waves are gold sistency. Fourth New Jersey district, which includes and platinum, and glass also seems un. As soon as he had cooked enough to



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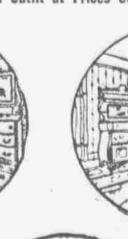
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In Trenton, which cast 24,000 votes, he got 715. In the outside districts his vote was so light that nobody undertook to tabulate it. In all he did not get more than

The remarkable achievement of John A. Johnson, democrat, in securing a second some times like cannon balls, tearing and after night and told the people what he election as governor of Minnesota by an orushing. There was nothing and after night and told the people what he overwhelming majority, when the other state offices went to the republicans, has not express the secret of his success more forcibly than it is expressed in the congratulatory telegram sent him by his van-If any man made a charge involving a quished opponent: "The result shows the

> board of aldermen and Senator Lodge WOOD PULP AND RUSHES Elsewhere Than in Forests.

What becomes of the ship that sinks in mid-ocean? If it is of wood it takes, in the Still another queer freak of politics was first place, considerable time for it to reach the virtual election to the senate of the the bottom. In 100 or more fathoms of United States of J. C. W. Beckham of Ken- water a quarter of an hour will elapse tucky, who is only 52. Although Kentucky before the ship reaches bottom. It sinks is famous for its whisky, it was the tem- slowly, and when the bottom is reached it perance vote which pulled Mr. Beckham falls gently into the soft, cozy bed, with no grash or breaking.

Of course, if it is laden with pig iron o when he was Il. Since then he has been corresponding substances, or if it is an iron governor of the state and has administered ship, it sinks rapidly and sometimes strikes defeat to two United States senators in the bottom with such force as to smash it

ters of the craft almost before Governor, boat and make it their home. Hesides this. for making just the kind of red chalk employer and applied for a patent upon a they cover every inch of the boat with a granite cutters needed for marking gran-feed roll for lath saws. Under the old This year Governor Beckham entered the thick layer of lime. This takes time, of Old Brother Trembly-Yassab, I's gwine to race against Senator McCreary and by the course, and when one generation dies and in vain to produce this chalk. vote he got in the primaries he will be the other continues the work, until finally the

Trenton. Sinclair did not make a dazzling affected. No matter how long gold may be make a backload, he put his chalk int hidden in the ocean, it will always be gold when recovered, and this fact explains the tour among the stone quarries. At firmany romantic and adventurous searches the workmen laughed at him; they ha after hidden submarine treasures lost in shipwrecks.-Baltimore Sun.

The state of the s

SAW AN ANGEL IN VISION It Gave Man a Recipe Nearly Fifty Years Ago that Made Him

a Fortune.

The records at the patent office in Washington show that nine-tenths of the paents of Maine are granted on application filed in March and April, indicating that the men who make the inventions do their heavy thinking and contriving during the ong winter evenings, when the homes are walled by snowdrifts and when no company comes in to divert the attention of the inventors into frivolous channels. It addition to novel and useful ideas and designs secured to the inventors of Maine by patents, there are scores of Maine men who have found out secret processes and

curicus combinations. Nearly fifty years ago, when the Fox sisters and spirit rappings were being discussed, old Hiram Simpson, a stone cutter and dreamer, moved from his home, near the quarries of Blue Hill, into Hancook county and took up a farm on the aids tured it in two places, compelling him to of Mr. Heagan, in Prospect, Walde county, making the journey by ox team and carrying his family and household goods in a hayrack.

As the weather was warm, he traveled help, but refused to do so. For three by night. While he was walking along the highway, near Orland, one midnight, swinging his goodstick and managing his ing English to such of his French corr oxen, "an angel of the Lord" came down patriots as desired to learn, to him from the top of a hill beyond Tody Pond, he declared, and imparted a recipe ite. For years inventors had been trying system of sawing laths a man stood or

Simpson remembered what the angel had democratic nominee for senator before the ship is so laden with heavy incrustations, told him and when he had collected slabs made to and fro by main strength. next legislature. Several weeks ago he an- corals, sponges and barnacles that, if wood, and driftwood enough from the river to gave a lazy workman an opportunity to nounced that all the saloons of the state the creaking timbers full spart and slowly build a shelter for his family he con-must be closed on Sunday and the rural but surely are absorbed in the waste at structed a kiln from stones from the field. panion. and, digging blue clay from the brooks Iron vessels are demolished more quickly and mixing it with other and other ingre-Upton Sinclair of Packingtown fame was than those of wood, which may last for cen- dients, he shaped the raw mud into squares face of this roll were many sharp spurs,

a pack and walked away on a peddito been deceived in red chalk too many time to buy without questioning.

Simpson sold as much as he could, an

when he found men who would not bu,

from him he left bars of chalk with the on trial. When he returned to the shed a month later with a fresh supply ever man wanted to buy the chalk, and sinc then the red chalk made by the Simpson secret has been the favorite among al granite cutters. Between 1870 and 1880, when the govern

ment was using Maine granite for th construction of public buildings, muc money was made from the sale of thi When Sampson died he left h secret to James Holbrook, who has a monopoly of the business. A wholesale house in Boston takes the

entire output of the Prospect chalk factory, and is sending the articles to al parts of the world. Meanwhile the secre which Sampson obtained from the ange in Orland is as much of a secret as it was half a century ago. Less than forty years ago John Mutty. a French Canadian, employed about the

leg and was confined to his home for a

falling timber hit the same leg and frac-

outh. Two days after he resumed work

keep under cover for six months. He had a large family of small children and was very poor. He was advised to wall upon the overseers of the poor for months he sat up in bed filing saws for his neighbors, repairing clocks and teach

As soon as he was able to get out of doors he borrowed \$100 from his former each side of the saw and shoved the wooden bolt from which the laths were

The Mutty idea was to put a roll in the table each side of the saw. On the sur the bolt and forced it along rapidly, so that two men working with the Mutty roll

ould saw 30 per cent more laths in a day han they could by the old method The patent was granted and Mutty egan to make and sell spurred rolls to he mill owners. The cost of the rolls was cas than \$5, although Mutty fixed the price t \$50 and received what he asked. Inside f ten years every lath mill in the country

vas using the Mutty roll. Today Mutty owns houses in Oldtown, orno, Veasie, Bangor and Brewer. He nas money in bank and money to lend the patent of the roll expired a few cars ago, but the invention made Mutty ich, and when strangers see him limpng about the streets on the crippled leg hose who know the circumstances reply to the question as to what ails the little man that he became lame in order to find ime to get rich.-Philadelphia North American.

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