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An advance of ten cents an ounce has been made in the price of sterling silver ware by twelve of the largest manufacturers. This is not because of any advance in the price of silver bullion, but merely a combination to increase profits.

A correspondent of the Aurora Beacon, writing of the kindergarten law introduced by Col. Chas. P. Bryan at the last session of the general assembly, says "it is unfortunate that the law which was introduced by Mr. Bryan in the house and made such rapid progress through the senate through the efforts of Senator Evans, should be so little understood and appreciated by the general public. It is a very great error to designate kindergartens as "fads" and "day nurseries." The Kindergarten has proved itself to be the perfect foundation of a true education. It teaches the little ones how to study; it gives them the key to their education. The Kindergarten trains the child both socially and morally. It makes him respect labor, and teaches economy and industry."

The announcement was made in the Chicago papers of the retirement of Hon. Thos. B. Bryan from the practice of law. Mr. Bryan has been a resident of Elmhurst for the past forty years, and his purpose is to spend most of the time at his beautiful home, "Bird's Nest," surrounded by his books, works of art, and his flowers, and on the Sabbath to read the service in the little chapel which he erected on the grounds over thirty years ago. To Chicago Mr. Bryan will be remembered as the builder of Bryan's Hall, one of the earliest places of amusement erected in Chicago; and more recently as the most active advocate in securing for Chicago the World's Columbian Exposition, of which he was the first vice-president when that office involved the greater part of the work, serving throughout without salary; also traveling in Europe, enlisting the nations in the enterprise. Indeed the scheme of the fair had inception in his office. In his close identification with the making of the city, he established the first safe depository—which saved millions at the time of the great fire; he also founded Graceland Cemetery. Of course Mr. Bryan will not be idle in his retirement. This would not be consistent with his active busy life. He intends to write a volume of personal memoirs, which, owing to his life-long association with the most prominent men of two continents, will be as widely read as those of James G. Blaine, who was one of his most intimate friends.—Illinoisian.

At a Methodist preachers' meeting held in Boston, Monday, the subject, "The Relation of the Epworth League to the Christian Endeavor Society," was discussed at length. The meeting was opened by the Rev. John D. Pickles, whose remarks were rather favorable to the Christian Endeavor Society, and might be almost construed as an argument on behalf of the Christian Endeavor. The Rev. W. I. Haven looked at the subject from an entirely different standpoint. He thought the Endeavor Society too sectarian and denominational, and declared it retarded the progress of the church toward the unification of Christians more than it aided its progress. He contended that the Epworth League was the older organization, and said that in 1892, at a meeting of committee in New York, he asked that a committee be appointed by the trustees of United Society of Christian Endeavor to meet a similar committee from the Epworth League, the two to confer as to the best means of a unification of the work of the two societies. He thought, therefore, that before making an appeal to the Epworth League to take the Christian En-

deavor name the latter should show some attention to the proposition submitted so long ago by the league. Mr. Haven said the Society of Christian Endeavor had even now no flourishing organ like the Epworth Herald, nor had it any literature characteristic of the society; whereas, in the last few years 6,000 sets of Epworth reading matter have been distributed. The Endeavor papers he spoke of as weak sheets, denominational and helpless, and emphasized the fact that in them no notice whatever is taken of the Herald, even in exchange columns.

Few people have any idea what civilized government costs, says the Chicago Post. A compilation of what it costs the United States to maintain the free republic has recently been made. It shows that governmental expenditures, federal, state and municipal, amount to the enormous sum of \$1,000,000,000 annually. The expenditures made by the national government in the course of the year foot up \$442,005,758. State county and municipal governments cost an additional \$509,252,634. Added together these items make up a sum somewhat over that originally stated.

The population of the United States is somewhere in the neighborhood of 70,000,000. The governmental expenditures, therefore, amount to something like \$14.25 per head of the population. That is what the people get back out of the taxes they pay in for the support of good government. The government thus becomes a distributing agent for the people. It keeps this vast sum of money circulating among them, prevents its hoarding or its concentration in the hands of a few. The money as a whole is paid out to an entirely different class in the community from that which pays it in. It is received from importers, manufacturers, property owners and agriculturists. It is paid out in large measure to wage earners and non-producers.

These figures are in themselves large enough to furnish a refutation of one of the stock arguments of socialist agitators in advocating their views. They are constantly asserting that there is a certain tendency toward the concentration of capital in the hands of the few at the expense of the many; that the rich are constantly becoming richer and the poor poorer. With the government paying out \$1,000,000,000 per annum to its employes, not to speak of the far vaster sums which the country keeps in circulation, the time seems far distant when there will not be enough to go around and when the great mass of the people will be reduced to a condition of penury.

WEATHER CROP BULLETIN.

The first half of the past week was very hot throughout the entire state, and the southern counties did not receive the relief which came to the central and northern on the 13th, and which gave the cool weather the last half of the week. Showers also accompanied the cool weather, light and scattered on the 13th, but quite general on the nights of the 14th and the 15th. The rainfall for the week, however, was much below the average, while the temperature was much above. Corn was forced to a very rapid maturity and only very late fields could now receive injury from frost. Much of the crop is being cut, and a large amount of it is now in the shock, with the work being pushed. Some little rye is being sown, but most of the crop is in and much of it is up, with a good stand of grain. Little wheat has yet been sown, but seeding will be general throughout the central counties the last of the week, and in southern counties the following week. Pastures are good, and late potatoes and buckwheat have had favorable weather in most counties. Broom corn has all been cut and housed.

On or about Sept. 20th a party of people from Downers Grove and vicinity will leave to inspect the fertile farming regions along the lines of the Burlington & Missouri River Ry. in Nebraska. Why pay high rents here when you can buy good farming lands as low as six dollars per acre. Low rates of transportation have been obtained. Come and join us. Apply to Isaac Mason, Downers Grove, Ill., for full particulars.

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An acquaintance spoke one day,
How charming that Miss M—I met!
So unconscious in her way.
Her manners truly do engage,
The casual eye that sees;
An unconscious innocence she wears,
With graceful careless ease.
But I chanced to know that charmer,
A trifle more than he,
So I answered nonchalantly,
Ah! yes, well that may be.
For down within my heart of hearts,
I'd guessed her artful guiles,
And knew her soul more shallow
Than her single lightest smile.
In social life most any day
Her counterpart you'll find,
She smiles, she sighs, she chats, anon,
But somehow's—never kind.
She's equally unconscious,
When she digs forks hit or miss,
As when she "has an ax to grind,"
And deals a "Judah's kiss."
She greets with warmth the Money King,
Nor has to think, be sure;
And with the same unconsciousness,
Nods coldly to Prince Poor.
She takes a lively interest,
In all good schemes in view,
But—unconsciously to execute,
She always leaves to you.
She much approves of charity
In talk so good and free,
But that will neither feed nor clothe,
She never seems to see.
She cries when gossip tells a tale,
"I can't believe 'tis true!"
And yet she sighs unconsciously,
There are so few—but do.
I doubt extreme simplicity;
Those people more or less,
Who fain would be unconscious,
Are quite as conscienceless.
ELSKIE WHITE GAYNOR.

SCISSORS AND PASTE.
Wheat and Chaff Gleaned from Our Esteemed Contemporaries.
While in the barn feeding the horses one evening last week, Gilbert Maxfield a thirteen year old boy living near Sycamore, was bitten by a rattlesnake. He was filled with whisky and will probably recover. The snake, a small "massasauga," was killed.
Jacob Kriesechok of Elmhurst, was instantly killed last week near the York street crossing. He stood on the north track waiting for a freight train to pass on the south track, when the milk express going east at the rate of fifty miles an hour, ran over him. The coroner's jury at the inquest brought in a verdict in accordance with the facts, exonerating the railroad company from blame.
While switching in Chicago early Wednesday morning, George Moore was thrown from a car, by the car jumping the track, and one of his feet was run over, crushing it badly. He was taken to St. Lukes hospital and Dr. Isherwood telegraphed for Dr. Decker on making an examination, that the foot could not be saved and it was amputated six inches below the knee.—Independent.

A man who attempted to beat a hotel in Elburn, on Sunday last, came to grief. He left Elburn at 10:30 riding a bicycle and at 11 o'clock Sheriff Barke was notified—too late to head the offender off at the county seat, as he had already passed through. The Wheaton authorities were notified by Barke, and the fellow was headed off. Barke then went over and made him disgorge the hotel bill and costs.
George Norcross, colored, who had worked several years for Banker Newton at Yorkville, unfortunately allowed himself to "lift" a \$100 bill from the bank a couple of weeks ago, and now languishes in the care of the sheriff. A portion of the money was recovered. Norcross went to Aurora and bought a pair of shoes and tendered the bill in payment. He offered a satisfactory explanation of how he came into possession of it, but that was the beginning of his undoing.

The weavers employed at the Aurora cotton mills went out at 11 o'clock last Monday on a strike, because Manager Hobbs would not accede to their preposterous demands for a ten per cent increase of pay. About 150 joined in the strike, which necessitated stopping the entire mill and throwing over 400 hands out of employment. The first known of the trouble by the manager was when a committee waited on him in his office, with the demand for an increase.
There was a jail delivery at Sycamore at 7 o'clock Saturday evening. One of the bars of the door was sawed off, and at supertime three of the five prisoners got out and made a break for the woods. They were seen in time to keep Kerwin, who is in for murder, and Frane, for highway robbery from joining the rest. The others, Leo Williamson, Ed Collins, and William Young, were all booked for burglary and are still at large. It is supposed that they had help from the outside.

Martin O'Hara's little daughter, about 8 years of age, was attacked by a vicious bull dog, on the east side last week, and her right limb was terribly lacerated and mangled. Assistance came to her relief, or the infuriated canine would have soon taken her life. The place for vicious bull dogs is behind bars or under chains, when their manes are taken off. The little child is in a precarious condition, but is getting along as well as could be expected, and if nothing else sets in she will recover.—Batavia Herald.

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