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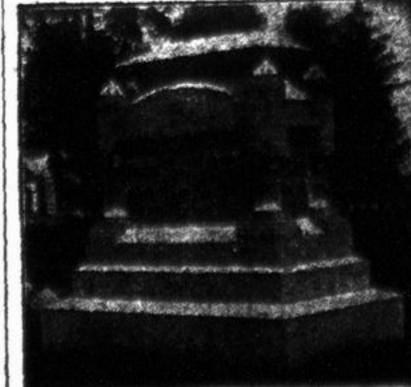
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Shall a bald man who wears a wig and who is about to be married confees the false pro-Pro-Rubial tense if his sweet-

heart is ignorant Frankassa. of the truth? That is the important coarse, sordid, brutal and demoralizquestion which the New York News ing atmosphere which usually surdiscusses: "In the interests of ante- rounds the perpetration and detecmatrimonial honesty and pre-nubial tion of crime. A young woman, acfrankness the German courts have cording to the story as it appeared given a divorce to a woman who dis- in a local paper, rushed into the pocovered only after marriage that her lice station one evening in great dishusband was bald. Before the wed- tress of spirit. She had left home, ding he nefariously concealed his she said, carrying a small hand capillary lack by wearing a wig. The satchel in which were some of her possibility of that ruling invading an most precious belongings, including American court is food for thought. a \$2 bill and five \$1 bills. As she How far should sweethearts confide tripped along, unconscious of danger, to one another their physical de- a gigantic ruffian had seized her by crepitude? Should the kneeling peti- the wrist, wrenched the satchel tioner, asking for his loved one's away, and disappeared in the gloom. hand, plead in tender accents; What she wanted the police to do 'Dearie, my teeth were made in Syra- was to discover who the ruffian was, cuse,' or 'Darling, the glitter of my put him in prison, and at the same eye will fade?' And should the coy time recover her property. The serand blushing maiden, loath to con- genat asked her for clews and a defess but eager to be won, confess: acription of the property. She men-Take me, though I am not what I tioned one article after another. At seem?' There are many details of last she came to violets. She was make-up, charming to the lover's fond of violets, and kept pressed viobiased gaze, that lose their glory dur- lets in her satchel to perfume its ing the fourth quarter of the honey- contents. The detective's nose in ficmoon-the removable complexion, tion is always long and pointed, but the adjustable hair, the jointed, self- he very rarely uses it for its proper acting anatomy, to say nothing of function of smelling. The two detecthe thousand and one appurtenances tives assigned to this case had neses which remain to the end mysteries to for use rather than ornament. From the masculine mind. Should all these barroom to barroom they went, and enter into the matrimonial problem, asked to inspect the \$1 and \$2 bills then indeed a Daniel must come to received since early evening. Their judgment."

In a letter addressed to the editor of the Cincinnati Price Current, Prof Willis L. Moore, chief Long-Range of the weather bu-Forcoasting. reau, says: "No

reputable scientist will to-day essay to make long-range predictions. With our present knowledge of meteorological science such forecasts cannot be made with any marked degree of accuracy. Of course, anyone, with a proper consideration of the weather that usually occurs in a season, may make long-range predictions and have some of them verified, but such work is worse than useless; if it were possible to make reliable long-range forecasts the weather bureau, with its corps of such work for the people, as no one | ber of its vessels this country is bean advancing crop season."

turn out the cars fast enough. An province is for home and coast deother thing needed by some of the fense. roads is more trackage.

Dr. C. H. McCarthy, author of "Lincoln's Plan of Reconstruction," is somewhat of a wit, and in his history classes in Philadelphia the pupils endeavor to emulate him. While discussing the effects of modern inventions on history he mentioned that the Greek who carried the news of defeat from Thermopylae to a distant city ran 150 miles in a day. "What might not have happened," the doctor exclaimed, "if the Greeks had had wireless telegraphy!" "But," objected a student, "they had tireless

There is at least one lighthouse in A paper that has the most com- the world that is not placed on any plete news service obtainable from mariner's chart. It is away out on the Arizona desert, and marks the spot where a well supplies pure, fresh water to travelers. It is the only place where edged to be thoroughly complete of a tall cottonwood pole, to the top of which a lantern is hoisted every night. The light can be seen for miles across the plain in every direction.

> A New York newspaper announces that it is "a paper for the home." On the first page is a diagram a foot square of a murder, the story of matrimonial scandal, an account of a "Jack the Hugger," an item about a blackmail case, another about a man blowing his head off, and stilleanother telling of a fight between preachers. Home, sweet home; well, we sup-

What a patriot the man who votes an indefinite number of times at a single election might claim to be, if it wasn't for the dollar invariably found sticking to each rote.

Although his friends are urging him to desist Explorer Baldwin wants to try for the north pole again. If he freezes himself it will be in cold blood.

Magara 1s worth \$1,000,000,000 as source of electric nower.

From Richmond, Va., comes a detective story, every detail of which is pleasant to dwell on, because it has none of the

savor for the most part was of stale beer, of onions, or of kerosene. But at last, in the Klondike saloon, there came to the detective's nostrils the faint, sweet odor of violets. "Who brought in this bill?" he asked. "Billy Burke," said the bartender. So the two sleuths started on the trail of Billy Burke, and when they had found him, they found the young woman's satchel, too. The evidence was so conclusive, in fact, that the man is now serving a six months' sentence in jail.

In comparing our navy with the navies of the world, while the Amercan navy is, of Our Naval course, small, it is Strength. becoming more trained scientists, would surely do formidable every year. In the numcan overestimate the immense benefit | hind Great Britain, France, Russia. that agricultural and commercial in- Germany, Italy and Japan. In tonterests would reap from a knowledge nage of vessels now built and buildof what the weather would be during | ing only two nations, Great Britain and France, now exceed us, and Great Britain alone surpasses us in the Railroad managers do not propose tonnage under construction. But, to be caught abort-handed in their says the Pittsburg Post, the fighting shipping facilities next year. All the power of the navies of the world is leading trunk lines were short of best tested by the number of firstcars this past season, especially box class battleships and armored cruiscars. On this account cattle cars ers under construction. In this were appropriated to carry miscel- Great Britain heads the list with 11 laneous freight, and they were not battleships, the United States coming available sometimes when needed to next with nine; then Russia with haul live stock. The business of the eight, Italy seven, France six, Gercountry seems to have outgrown the many five. In armored cruisers Creat carrying capacity of the roads, but Britain has 20 building, France ten. from indications it looks as if the United States eight and Germany railroad companies would try to two. In battleships we lead, and for catch up if their shops are able to the natural reason that their great

> Housewives who complain about the "price of things" may bless their stars that they are not in Johannes. burg. From a letter recently re ceived is taken the following: "The hens at Madeira provide us with socalled 'fresh eggs,' which we get retailed to us at \$1.08 a dozen; new-laid eggs, when you are fortunate enough to get any, are from \$1.70 to \$1.90 a dozen. Somehow the hens very much neglect their obvious duty here. Mutton is sold at 30 cents a pound. hungry looking fowls at \$2 each, and turkeys about \$15 each."

The book publishers, according to the Philadelphia Record, who introduced modern advertising methods by taking large space in the newspapers say that a fetching advertisement will sell even the poorest book, but that unless a book have merit the sales stop when the advertising stops. "Newspaper advertising," they say, "has been essential to the success of the most deserving books."

The Cubans have discovered what Americans have long known, that railways make business. The head of the post office department announced recently that the postal receipts had doubled since the opening of the railway through the center of the

Announcement is made of a hair restorer that will grow hair in 30 minutes. Turf investment people, correspondents of matrimonial bureaus, Anneke Jans heirs and gold brick purchasers will all believe this.

A Topeka woman was asked if her husband gave up anything during Lent. "Not a cent more than usual," she said.

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