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"Why get together any more money?" asked a friend of the late Russell Sage. "You can't eat it. You can't drink it. What good will it do you?" "Ever play marbles?" Uncle Russell asked. "Yes, when I was a boy." "Couldn't eat 'em, could you? Couldn't drink 'em, could you? No use to you, were they? What did you play marbles for?"

The greater the hurry you are in the more likely your shoestrings are to break.

"So you have a great idea for a novel?" "Yes," answered the publisher. "Who is going to write it?" "Oh, I haven't gone into details, what we're at work on now is one of the most striking cover designs ever introduced to the holiday trade."

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PRAGUE UNDER MARTIAL LAW

RIOTING ON EMPEROR'S BIRTH-DAY NECESSITATES ACTION.

Students Figure in Grave Disturbances in Austrian City—Celebration Marred by Trouble.

Prague, Austria, Dec. 3.—Martial law was proclaimed in this city Wednesday. This action on the part of the government served greatly to exasperate the Czech students of Prague, and they forthwith started rioting. There was a sanguinary conflict between them and police and gendarmes at Weinberg, a suburb of Prague, in which many students were wounded.

It has been hoped that it would not be necessary to mar the jubilee of the anniversary of Emperor Francis Joseph's accession to the throne by any such drastic steps, but the continued rioting between the Czechs and the Germans of Prague forced the government to issue the proclamation.

The Austrian parliament begins its fall session at Vienna Thursday and lively scenes were anticipated. The Czech deputies threatened to make trouble for the new cabinet organized by Dr. Von Blenerth for having consented to the attack upon parliamentary institutions involved by this declaration of martial law.

Washington, Dec. 3.—Solemn and impressive services, attended by dignitaries of church and state, were held Wednesday, commemorative of the sixtieth anniversary of Emperor Francis Joseph's ascension to the throne as ruler of Austria-Hungary.

The distinguished assemblage in St. Patrick's Catholic church formed a striking picture. President Roosevelt, Vice-President Fairbanks, members of the United States supreme court, members of the cabinet, members of congress, and the members of the diplomatic corps were present.

TWO-CENT POSTAGE TO GERMANY

Rate Is Arranged Between Teuton and This Government.

Berlin, Dec. 3.—The United States and Germany have arranged for a postal rate on letters between the two countries of two cents, instead of the existing rate of five cents. The new rates will go into effect January 1.

Washington, Dec. 3.—According to an official announcement of the post office department Wednesday, the new postal agreement between the United States and Germany provides that after January 1, 1909, letters for Germany paid at the reduced rate of two cents will be dispatched only by steamers sailing from New York for German ports, steamers of the North German Lloyd and Hamburg-American lines sailing from New York usually on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Letters for Germany dispatched via Great Britain or France must be paid at the postal union rate of five cents for the first ounce and three cents for each additional ounce.

JAP SHIP SINKS; ALL DROWNED.

Steamer Ginsel Maru Founders—Crew and Passengers Die.

Kobe, Japan, Dec. 3.—The Japanese steamer Ginsel Maru has foundered off Wie-Hel-Wel. The entire crew and all the passengers on board were lost.

May Build \$10,000,000 Bridge.

New York, Dec. 3.—Unable to find solid rock bottom through which to carry a conduit under the Hudson river north of the city, near Peekskill, N. Y., it may be necessary for New York to erect a \$10,000,000 suspension bridge in order to perfect the new Catskill water supply system.

Resort Loses \$100,000 in Fire.

Meadville, Pa., Dec. 3.—Damage amounting to \$100,000 was done by fire which started Wednesday at Exposition Park, Conneaut lake, a popular summer resort here.

Mining Congress in Session.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 3.—The eleventh annual convention of the American Mining congress convened here Wednesday in the Carnegie Music hall, North side.

Unsuccessful Diagnosis.

The man's cough grew worse, so he resorted to the physicians.

"From the stomach, I think," said Dr. Sinton.

"Pardon me, there is no such thing as a cough from the stomach," answered Dr. Modern.

"From the effects of vaccination, I should say," announced Dr. Nature.

"Indeed," replied his colleague, Dr. Serum, "let me remind you that (except tetanus, blood poisoning and graft), there are no evil effects of vaccination."

"Well," said Dr. Experiment, "it is not to be expected that we should all agree—"

"On one thing we are agreed," cried Dr. Getrox, "that is to charge \$5 apiece."

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