The Progress of the United States Never Equalled by any Nation.

Dun's Review of January 4, 1902. has the following summary of the pared with \$914,810,300 on March 4, progress made in a business way by 1899, the record prior to 1901. At the the United States during the past time of more than a billion deposits

Most marvellous of all the phenobusiness during the year was the progpossible to be too extravagant in delineating the movements of the industrial world. Never in the history of permanent prosperity was the conservative resistance to price inflation.

of prices remained depressed for some months, but gradually responded to the increasing demand as excessive accumulations were absorbed. From marital business. a condition of glut there arose almost a famine, greatly exaggerated by the stubborn strike. Some idea of the changes in size of supplies may be found in the comparison of furnace stocks of pig iron, as published in the Iron Age, which amounted to 548,663 tons on January 1. These figures steadily declined throughout the year until only 223,462 tons were held on December 1.

Aside from the slight fall during the period affected by the strike there appears almost a steady gain in production, closing with the maximum quantity on hand. Judging by the amount of business already placed for 1902 the current year's yield may not unreasonably be expected to surpass seventeen million tons. Output of rails was beyond all records, yet contracts for 1902 already assure another high water mark of probably three million tons.

All records of output for hard and soft coal were surpassed during 1901. despite the scarcity of cars that re-tarded operations. A feature of great advantage was the expanding move-ment, which reached more encouraging proportions than in previous years. In ten months the value of shipments was \$19,087,353, against \$17,820,864 the year previous. Coke ovens made a phenomenal record, establishing a new high water mark of weekly output at 244.529 tons late in November.

While 1900 was the best year ever experienced by domestic agricultural interests, the opening year of the new century was in many ways more profitable, and the two together have put the farming population in much the most satisfactory position in the nation's history. Formerly the season of harvesting and crop-moving brought heavy borrowing of funds at the East, but interior conditions have changed are lenders at New York and Chicago, and while there is still a large movement of money away from the East during the fall months, it is of funds that were held here for the account of steady tendency to enlarge the acreage sown in the leading crops, yet supplies which proved the most important event of the year. While this influence naturally induced an advance in price that practically prohibited exports and thus seriously affected foreign commerce, it was by no mean an unmixed evil, since the return to growers was even larger than in a year of normal said the other decidedly. production, while the enormous yield ing and foreign consumers in place of for I baven't paid it yet."

Hence, instead of a low price for wheat in proportion to the heavy crop, there was maintained an even higher average quotation than in the short

crop year preceding.

Meats naturally reflected the expen sive position of fodder and it was gratifying to notice that exports were not materially reduced by the high

Cotton passed a season of wide varia tions in the early months attaining the highest price of the decade, but falling back sharply as the spinning situation was rendered unfavorable by exorbitant raw material. Crop estimates were also far apart, causing irregularity and a tendency to await more definite information. The outlook grew much more cheerful from the producers' point of view when the closing month brought a higher price than 8 cents.

Expanding crops of sugar had the effect of lowering prices, while competition of refiners caused a still larger fall in the finished product, to the great benefit of consumers.

Petroleum was less fluctuating, the extremes of the year being 6.90, and 7.65 cents for refined in barrel cargoes. Extensive fields in the South were developed, which tended to hold prices

Exports of staple products reached a new high record, notwithstanding the lower average prices of oil and cotton and the scarcity of corn. The crop year opened with a new record of wheat and flour exports, amounting to 34,130,380 bushels in August, far sutpassing any previous month, while for five months ending November 30 the aggregate was 126,928,162 bushels.

In the year of big things it was natural that new high records should be recorded in deposits and loans. Financing of big syndicate operations and

A YEAR OF DEVELOPMENT. unparalleled stock market dealings HE IS NOT BILL ARP'S SON. SETTING A GOOD EXAMPLE. combined to raise the total of loans and discounts to \$914,623,000 on February 15, against \$825,830,600 on September 15, 1900, the top point of that year. On the same date deposits attained their zenith at \$1,011,329,000, com-

the banks only held in actual cash \$265 684,700, or \$12,852,450 above the menal evidences of advancement in March 2 there was a new deposit re-25 per cent. legally required. On cord of \$1,012,514,000 but loans did ress made in manufacturing. It is im- not attain their maximum until March 9, at \$918,789,600.

The year of 1901 brought almost a this or any other nation has such de- the entire period, culminating in sales uniform decline of silver throughout velopment occurred within the space during December at 24-94d in London of a twelve-month. The expansion of and 54 cents at New York. It is found productive capacity was enormous, the that but two months on record, August improved methods of work and or- and September 1897, found this metal ganization were conspicuous, wise eco-selling as low. At that time the bottom nomies were introduced, but more was touched at 23 3-4, or about 2 cents an ounce lower than the record of 1901

After the reaction of 1900 the level FROM A BACHELOR'S VIEW.

The best way to avoid marital misunderstandings is to avoid the whole

To sympathize with those who are down in the world it is necessary for you to get down there yourself. A woman who will ask another woman to show her how to do tatting al-

most thinks enough of her to be her friend. Versatility is not a woman's strong point. Before marriage she sighs to think how happy she is going to be, and afterward she sighs to think how

happy she thought she was going to The way to get a woman to forgive

you is not to forgive her. Generally you can get an idea of the enthusiasm a woman puts into a spanking by the way she jerks out her pasting threads.

The average man who gives advice is like a roadpost—he doesn't tell you to stay where he is, but to go where he points. A married man's trouble begins

when he is engaged. It isn't on what income one can get married, but on what income one can

ive after getting married. No woman can ever account for her husband's lack of interest in her diploma and the photograph of her first

The way to convince a woman you love her is to sit in abstraction for a long time and than say with a start that you were thinking of the first day you ever saw her. The surest way to get rich is to quit

being poor.
Force of habit has a good deal to do with the way some peeple go on loving

each other. When a lucky man gets it into his head that he is a great man, he is due to lose his luck.

It's worse to bleach your hair than could offer a to such an extent that Western banks with hair on her he d who would agree million dollars reward for a woman with you, and you' never find her

HAD HIS SUSPICIONS.—Tim Murphy had run up a small bill at the village interior correspondents. There is a shop. He went to pay it and wanted a receipt.

"Oh, we never give receipts for these do not increase, owing to the better small amounts," grumbled the propriedemand both for home consumption tor. "See, I will cross your account and export. Heat and drought caused off the book." And he drew a pencil a serious curtailment of the corn crop, diagonally across it. "There is your receipt," he added

"Do ye mane that that settles it?" asked Tim.

" Certainly."

"And ye'll niver be asking for it again?" "We'll never ask you for it again,"

"Faith, thin," said Tim, "and I'll of wheat was absorbed by stock feed | be after kapin' me money in me pocket,

"Oh, well," was the angry retort, "I can rub that out." "Faith, and I thought as much,"

said Tim slyly. The proprietor of that establishment now issues a receipt for the smallest amount —London Tit Bits.

Governor Odell in his message to the New York Legislature, takes strong ground against the opening of saloons on Sunday. He also discusses local option as a settlement of the liquor question.

Coughing

"I was given up to die with quick consumption. I then began to use Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. I improved at once, and am now in perfect health."—Chas. E. Hart-man, Gibbstown, N. Y.

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with your cough. The first thing you know it will be down deep in your lungs and the play will be over. Begin early with Ayer's Cherry Pectoral and stop

the cough. Three sizes : 25c., 80c., \$1. All druggists.

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Leave it with him. We are willing.

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Joel Smith, of Monticello, Fla, Is No Kin to Him and He Don't Know Joel.

Atlanta Constitution.

Our Christmas is over, but the memory of it will linger long. Most all the kith and kindred gathered at the old homestead and brought love and gladness with them. All the far away boys save one were here and I never saw them so happy before. Of course we had prepared a Christmas tree for the little ones and Santa Claus came down the chimney and filled their stockings and then filled the tree with beautiful presents and decorated it with gorgeous ornaments. That anxious expectation and wonder of the little ones is all over, but the old mansion is still wide open and running over with bappy children and grandchildren and Moore's first verse was changed to "Twas the night after Christmas -the

rooms and the hall
Had the holly and mistletoe still on the The Christmas tree stands in the parlor Its beautiful hangings all given and they have something to live for.

brought, including turkey and oysters for dinner and turkey hash for breakfast every day while the boys were born musicians and what with the piano and flute and violin and half a lozen sweet voices we had a choir of girls formed a ring and danced and pranced to concord of sweet sounds, and all of a sudden the maternal ancestor lost her self-control and joined cottages, all lathed and plastered the procession and bowed and curtised painted inside and out of uniform and chased all and held out her hands invitingly to me. What could I do but accept the uxorial banter and as I was about to take her hand in mine and fly round, she flashed her Pocahontas eyes and declined my soft approaches. She flirted away on her No. 2 feet as gay as a girl and went coquetting with one of the boys. That's the way she treats me now in my antiquity. Time was when she was glad enough to take my hand and keep it and dident dare to play coquette at my expense. But now I am discarded, and so I reired from the ring singing that pathetic

'I'm the last rose of summer left standing alone. My lovely companion has left me and

But the frolic is about over and the children have settled down to the calm enjoyment of their dolls and with some bundles and under his arm who had lived with him all these years, and was true and tried and had never owned an umbrella. That was good and kind and was proof enough that Brother Yarbrough belongs to our old set and had slaves to serve him "befo"

But, Mr. Editor, I am still perplexed. My Christmas pleasure has been marred somewhat by my pity for the poor credulous, dependent women all over the land who are the dupes of that Monticello man. Every day brings more letters from those who have long since sent the \$25 to my son at Monticello, Fla., and got nothing back. They say they trusted him because he was my son. Many of them begged or borrowed the \$25, for they could of their labor help pays, both in money not get the subscribers, and so they made up a list of names from their acquaintances and then they went to work on the endless chain humbug and got other women in to send more

more and be duped. Now, Mr. Editor, I beg you to put it in large type and print it in red ink that Joel Smith, of Monticello, is no son of mine, nor do I know anything of him or his paper. I saw a late issue in which he boasts of having 40,000 subscribers, which I suppose means \$40,000 that these dependent women have sent him. He promised them \$20 a month to write three hours a day and some of them sold their jewelry and other precious things to raise the \$25. Mr. Editor, do please lend your columns to stop this fraud upon our poor Southern women. And now we see that another endless chain paper has started in Athens, Ga. These frauds are bringing discredit upon the press and distress upon poor women. inclose a sample circular. Please stop it. Kill it. Crush it. It is worse than the cherry tree swindle.

BILL ARP. P. S .- I will give \$10 to find out who started that lie that the Monticello man was my son. I have received at least fifty letters saying, "Your son at Monticello," etc. They make me tired. I had three from Texas this morning. B. A.

Mrs. Jane Mansfield, a centenarian of Lynn, Mass., lives in the oldest house in that city, which was built 250

CASTORIA
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South Carolina Cotton Mills Are Taking Care of the Children.

L. L. Parham in Atlanta Journal.

That the Southern cotton mills are doing something for the moral uplift ing of their operatives cannot be de nied successfully. The Clifton and Glendale mills en ploy about 2,300, paying them annually \$300,000. The management has expended large sums of money for the education of the young. Able teachers are employed, often at the expense of the mills, and the schools are open nine months in the year. Churches have been erected where the operatives may worship as they see fit. Five stores are operated near the mills where the operatives may buy their goods actually in competition with cash stores, and they get them on credit the same as if they paid cash. The motto of the proprietors is " the greatest good to the greatest number." The operatives are encouraged to save their earnings and in every other way made to feel that

The Gaffney Manufacturing com-Next day we settled down to music pany is another illustration of what mill men are doing for their operaand song and the quict enjoyment of all the good gifts that Christmas tives. At Gaffney the tenement houses are neat and well constructed. some of them of brick, and scrupulously clean. The company stores are with us. These boys are all natural put there for the convenience of the operatives, no checks used whatever, and the operatives are not compelled to buy of them. A free school is opour own, and when they got onto the buzzard lope" and other hilarities the children and the expenses paid by the children and the expenses paid by the mill owners.

The Courtenay Manufacturing company at Newry has also erected neat color. Everything is being done for the comfort of the operators. The mills are lighted with electric lights, steam heated and in summer fresh air is forced all through every floor, thus insuring an agreeable temperature throughout the year. A free school is maintained nine months in the year at the company's expense.

Finally, the Pelzer Manufacturing company is also doing a great work for the operators in their immense mills They have a \$100,000 school building the teachers furnished free; beautifu churches of all denominations, and a library building with 6,000 volumes in it, and a large number of papers and periodicals, furnished free by the com pany. Compulsory education obtains at these mills. The head of every

family working in those mills signs an agreement before getting employment the first clause of which says that all horns and other toys and are still children, members of any family be happy. The day before Christmas it tween the ages of five and twelve, shall was a touching sight to see some of enter the schools maintained by the the old men slipping around slyly in company, and shall attend every school the stores buying pretty things for the home folks. I met my good brother by sickness, etc. As an additional in-Yarbrough wadding along about dark ducement children who attend school every day, receive a reward of 10 cents a new umbrella. He said the umbrella at the end of each month Lectures was for Hezekiah, his faithful servant with stereoptican pictures are also pro vided, and are of the highest order of illustrative entertainment. There is no company store, and operatives buy where they please. No liquors are sold in Pelzer, and the people have emphatically voted against dispensa-

Piedmont is still another illustra tion, and there are many others scattered throughout the State. Let the reader remember that the story of the awful neglect and bad treatment of up by sentimentalists and labor agitators to work upon the sympathy of the credulous public. There are no doubt some abuses, but mill owners are fast coming to realize that good treatment and the consciousness of helping to uplift the poor who leave the farms to the negroes and go to town where schools and churches, free libraries, parks and pleasure grounds conduce to their pleasure and their educational advancement.

A NEW EMBALMING FLUID -The Memphis Medical college has for several weeks been experimenting with an embalming fluid for which great possibilities are predicted. It is assured that this discovery is superior to the embalming preparation used by the Egyptians, for while the infusion will preserve the subject for all time, humanly speaking, as did that of the ancients, it prevents the shriveling up that was inseparable from Egyptian embalming and it does not call for the waths and bandages in which all Egyptian mummics were encased.

The principal experiment up to this ime has been upon the body of a dog, which was treated thirty days ago. Today it looks as natural as in life. It is rigid, but in a perfectly natural pose. There is no trace of odor about t, nor is there any other visible symptom of decay.

Tests of the fluid have been made by the demonstrator at the Memphis college, and he is so well convinced of its practical utility that he will use it for the preservation of all the cadavers used in the college.

The fluid petrifies the body. Neither arsenic nor strychnine is used in the preparation.

Henry Watterson, the veteran editor of The Louisville Courier Journal, is one of the hardest working men in the newspaper profession. Though well advanced in years, he gets to his office every morning at 7 o'clock, which necossitates very early rising, as he lives twenty miles from Louisville and drives to his office behind a spirited pair of Kentucky mares.

IN A HUMOROUS VEIN.

"Divorces," said the man who nore than marriages."

"Do you happen to know anything of your master's whereabouts?" asked

a wife who was looking for her husband. "I'm not sure, mem," said the careful servant, " but I think they're in the wash."-Youth's Companion. Miss Trill-I love to hear the birds

They never attempt a piece beyond their ability .- Tit Bits.

"True," replied the good man, "if you are to have any faith at all you had better have it here."-Catholic

him again," said the woman. "You don't say so !" exclaimed her husband. "Is she angry, or trying to be considerate?"-Washington Star.

a prophet is." "Why," replied Johnny, "it's a fel-

"Well, what are you sneering about? You don't seem to have much faith in my good resolutions." I was just wondering if you had

"Uncle Clarence, what's the diference between a fad and a hobby?' "Well, a fad sometimes gets tired and let's go; but a hobby never does.

day, after meals."

meals these 'ard times,'

Job's comforter. "Dr. Price will keep you under his care for at least a

phia Record. "Yes," said the aristocrat, "I was in bignant, and I wrote him that the clandestine marriage of our son to his daughter was a blot on the family

"Your friend Jigley failed in the woolen business, didn't he ?'' "Yes, he was a yarn manufacturer, and he's started up again in the same

"That so?" "Yes; he's press agent for a circus

row."-Philadelphia Press. "So your husband died while you were abroad?" said the hostess.

"Yes," replied the young widow o old Mr. Skinflynt, with an appropriatechildren by mill operatives is conjured by mournful sigh, "poor John has gone to his final reward. "Beg pardon," said the host, sud-

> down and look at the furnace fire." Philadelphia Press.

once presented to a young lady who almost immediately began to whimper,

she retires to rest. The mother smiles, but sighs. She knows that the pains that rack her will not stop for darkness, and that if she

will only be echoes of the sufferings of the day. Why not sleep soundly and rise refreshed at morning, with strength and courage for the day's duties? Weak, nervous women, sufferers from backache, bearing-down pains, and other womanly ailments, have found a perfect cure in Dr. Pierce's Pavorite Prescrip-

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wanted to talk and philosophize, "cost "Certainly," said the practical man; why not? They are worth more."-

" No," declared the Free Thinker. 'I will never have any faith in hell.'

" Mr. Meckton's wife said yesterday that she was never going to speak to

school teacher, "you may tell us what

low that's always looking for a chance to say 'I told you so.' "—Philadelphia

taken the paving contract for the next world."-Brocklyn Lafe.

Chemist (to poor woman) - "You must take this medicine three times a

Patient-" But, sir, I seldom get

"Sorry for you, old man," said the

the doctor's wife told my wife she had struck him for a new dress,"-Philadel-

escutcheon, and his only reply was to send me an advertisement of a new brand of soap he is just putting on the lication of public domain. market."

dealy, "that reminds me I must go

"Pleasant Dreams"



women strong and sick women well.

"I deem it my duty to express my heartfelt gratitude for lawing been the means, under Providence, of restoring me to health," writes Mrs. B. H. Munn, of Springhill, Leon Co., Fla. Per nearly two years I suffered from female wenkness so I could not stand on my feet any length of time; could scarcely walk at all. Appetite was much impaired; I had bearing-down scnessious; can't express how badly I did feet. Rad tried several kinds of medicine which did me little or no good. At last decided to try Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. I had pot lyken all of two bottles before I saw it was benefiting me, so I continued to take it until I be ken seven bottles, when I felt entirely of Did not feel a touch of my old continued not like health has been better for the last year than it had been for four years previously.

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Dr. Pierce's Common Bense Medical

and whose eyes were so full of tears that he felt compelled to ask if she were ill or if anything were the matter. Looking at him between her sobs the disappointed maiden broke out:

Oh, I thought you were so tall and Jack Downright (warmly) -So do I so handsome !"

"I hear O'Brien is working again," said the barber. "Yes," saje the bailiff. He's workng for the traction company." "I thought it was for the telephone ompany. "No, the traction company is what

hey call the street-car company." "What do they call the telephone ompany ? "The distraction company, I guess." -Chicago News. Senator Fairbanks, of Indiana, and

" Now, Johnny," said the Sunday-

Chemist (passing on to next customer) -" Then take it before them."

"Why," exclaimed the invalid, "I'm ot so ili as all that " "I know, but

The land speculator will soon be in clover in the Philippines. There are over 90,000,000 acres of land in the Ph lippine islands, and, while it is impossible to say with any accuracy how much of the land is owned by private interests, it is believed that at least 50 per cent, will come under the classi-

Rudyard Kipling says that he was

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Cries the young maid to her mother, as



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lovernor Shaw, of Iowa, were once

stumping Kentucky, and after a suc-

cessful meeting were piloted to a bar-

room by the Kentucky colonel, who had them in charge. "What'll you have?" he asked Senator Fairbanks.

A little cold Apollinaris," was the

reply. " And you? "said the host to

Tovernor Shaw. "I think I will have

a glass of buttermilk." The bartender turned to the Kentuckian. "What

shall I give you, Colonel?" he asked.

The Kentucky gentleman heaved a

long sigh. "Under the circumstances," he said, "I think you can give me a

I: has just been announced that Gen.

H. W. Carpenter was the donor of the

\$100,000 presented to Columbia Uni-

versity some time ago for the founding

of a chair of Chinese language and

literature. The note which accom-

panied the letter of donation said that

the money had been saved from to

bacco and whiskey. Gen. Carpenter says that expression has been greatly

misconstrued. Most people, he as-

serts, have construed the statement to

mean that the money had;been carned in the tobacco and whiskey trade,

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