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mystery until it arrives."

lips were red as cherries.

"it is very beautiful."

"At the Chatean Chenier. A peasan

who lives there dug it up in the garden.

I paid an enormous price for it. The R. C. must stand for Rosalind Chenier, you

"How strange!" she murmured in a

"Was the 'Maid of the Mistral' a love

The blood had suddenly flowed in upon

his heart; his face was pale, and his voice

CHAPTER XIV.

Come to my room and write me a bill.

Mr. Largely arrived from New York

on the morning following the Roosevelt

lis, who was going to Tallahassee.

work of circumvention.

the Floridian railroad tangle.

Julian was not a little surprised to

was low and husky.

I must be polite.

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"Oh, yes, and so sweet! Alphonse,

exclaimed

know.

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passed through, and suddenly turning

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CHAPTER XIII. THE MAID OF THE MISTRAL.



Edgar Julian arrived at Savannah and

was installed as a member of the Roosethe Mistral.' velt household a day or two before the time of Mrs. Roosevelt's party. He immediately began a searching examina-tion of the situation of his employer's affairs, and found it grave. Ellis had done his work well, and precisely in such not to speak. She seemed too much a a way as to close up the very doorway of their success. Julian could not see any vealed to her-it might destroy her as a immediate escape. Of course the plans flame would destroy a flower. of Messrs. Roosevelt and Largely had been kept profoundly secret, so that Ellis and his New York coadjutors could have story?" he askad. had no counterplan in view, but their knight, was so brave, and Rosalie, the operations had effected quite the same Maid of the Mistral, was warm and true thing as if directed to that end. The fact and good, and they loved each other so was that Florida had suddenly attracted dearly. You know the mistral is a wind the eyes of capitalists and land specuin Provence: the maid would sit upon lators in both Europe and America. Certhe castle wall when the mistral blew, tain vast draining schemes were beginand play her lute and sing, and her ning to take shape, and their features lover would hear her, no matter where and probable results to be bruited about. he was, because the mistral would take The orange fever, the jute fever, the her song and the lute chords and bear early vegetable fever, the Le Conte pear them to him. She gave him the cross fever and the pine and cedar lumber fever had started a rush of emigration; this advanced the price of land enormonsly; the consequence was that the state authorities offered large grants of the public domain as subsidies to induce the building of canals and railways. Many schemes had been projected; some of them had failed, others had fallen into litigation, and the franchises of while the mistral was blowing." nearly all of them were of doubtful validity. Out of this sort of chaos Edgar old stories are-shall I tell you one?" Julian was expected to bring order. For two days he buried himself in Mr. Roose-

heard it often while I was there, and reached. Then Mr. Ellis appeared and songht an interview with the distinguish-Chenier also I met one Chenier who ed foreigners. They listened to his elowas a baron, and another who was a quent description of his schemes, their wooden shod laborer in the vineyards.' bearing upon the future development of "But the souvenir?"

"Ah, yes, I shall show you that when Florida, and the rich returns that capital I can. It is among my traps at Chicago. invested therein might soon expect. No sooner had he appeared in the city I did not have time to unpack, you than the daily papers were full of flat-tering notices; the leading citizens called know. I was rushed off down here without even a breathing space. I have upon him; attention was withdrawn written to have a lot of things for-warded and the souvenir is included. It from the distinguished foreigners.

"Are you going to capitulate to this must remain a profound and beautiful smooth tongued tyro?" exclaimed Mr. stery until it arrives. "I can't bear mysteries and waiting," Largely, half growling, half taunting, as he and Julian stood on an upper veshe exclaimed with real vehemence. randa of their hotel and saw Sir Edmond shall lose all interest unless you tell me Kane, the Baron Wertheimer and Mr. Ellis drive away together in a carriage. He stopped and looked down into her Julian did not answer immediately. sweet gray-brown eyes, he thought he

The question had struck him like a blow saw repressed tears in them. They were in the face. wholly the eyes of a child now. Her "He's no railroad man," continued

Largely, shrugging his stout shoulders and laying his hand heavily on the young "It is a small gold cross with the letters R. C. on it," he said, with a promptman's arm; "you can see that at a glance; ness that almost amounted to bluntness; and yet, I suppose, the most brilliant lawyer in the country will go down be-"Oh, and where did you get it?" she fore him.'

"If you refer to me when you speak of the most brilliant lawyer in the country. I can say that I shall not go down before Mr. Ellis. At present he seems legally in possession of certain rights and franchises, stocks, bonds, certificates of landed donations and so on, of which he can-

musing way, with her eyes cast down. not be dispossessed"-"Papa has the story of that cross in "That is not the point," interposed manuscript, written in Provencal. It is Largely, lifting his calculating eyes to a beautiful legend, called 'The Maid of Julian's clouded face. "It is not a matter of law, it is a question of personal Julian smiled at her simple faith, but influence. He has captured these forhe would not have clouded it for the

eitmers. world. A great love for her had fastened "Yes, he is lying to them in the most itself upon him; it was struggling for approved southern fashion. expression, and yet he felt sure he ought "He is using his gifts to some purpos

then," brutally replied Largely. shild to have the fire of his passion re-"Yes. to some purpose," sneered Julian.

"And what do you think of this draining and transpeninsular canal scheme that Ellis is talking of?" inquired Large-

ly in a more earnest tone. "Frankly, there may be a great deal in it, though I doubt it. But all the same it will serve Ellis a grand turn. It gives his faculty for charming exaggeration the fullest field for action.

"You rate Ellis too low, 1 fear," Mr. Largely quietly remarked "No, you mistake me. I would not detract from his genuine genius, but yon will soon discover what is already

demonstrated to me, that he is utterly when he went away to fight for his king, antrathful and unscrupulous. He is a and he wore it on his heart through the old, gifted, ill trained adventurer." far east. Whenever he would hear her "But his lack of training seems not to singing and playing the lute he would have discovered itself in his operations

kiss the cross, and when she had finished down here," Largely answered. she would kiss the ruby ring he had Julian made an impatient gesture given her. I cannot tell you all his adif to shake off a disagreeable feeling. ventures; but at last he returned, and "In your telegram to me the other

they were married on the castle wall day, I think you spoke of crushing him, or something of the sort." he presently "Very sweet," he said, "all those old remarked.

Largely laughed aloud; then-"At that distance it seemed easy," he Fain's lover. In her simplicity she felt rously replied; "but upon a nearer

vas now in excellent spirits. He joked freely and laughed a good deal. "I feel as though something was going to happen," he said, "and not happen to me, at that. CHAPTER XV.





'He will kill you if he gets the chance.'

Colonel 'Talbot became a frequent visitor at Roosevelt place, and his marked attentions to Rosalie might have attracted some notice from one less wrapped up in the young girl's happiness than Aunt Marguerite. As it was, however, almost every day saw him spend at least an hour in her company. He did not dream of being in love in her. He felt perfectly secure, knowing that he should marry Miss Fain within a few months; but he was perfectly conscious, all the same, that a sweet power was drawing him deeper and deeper into the rosy atmosphere that surrounded this dear mysterious mountain maid. One evening, a short time after Edgar Julian's departure for Jacksonville, Rosalie sat alone on the Roosevelt veranda, lightly thrumming on her banjo,

and singing broken snatches from one of the little French songs her father had taught her, when Colonel Talbot's baritone joined in. He had come through the little side gate and up the steps without attracting her attention. She turned toward him, smiling sweet-

ly, rising to greet him, still singing. When they were seated he begged her to go over the little ditty again. Their voices rose together in strange accord, and seemed to go away side by side up into the realms of moonlight. She felt the touch of strength his presence gave to the scene, and it was a very pleasant and satisfying thing to sit there beside him. It delighted Rosalie to have him readily falling into her moods and sharing her whims. She liked him all the more because she knew he was Miss

faced him in great excitement. "Watch as you go home," she exclaimed in a sharp whisper; "he will kill you if he gets the chance." Her excitement and solicitude thrilled him

strangely. "Oh, there's no danger," he replied in a voice hoarse and unsteady. He had not taken ten paces when he heard the click of the gate latch, and then Rosalie called, in a low, thin voice, "Colonel Talbot!"

"Here," he answered, turning about. "Do not forget to be careful. There s great danger. He slowly strode toward his home,

driving out of his mind Rosalie's words of warning. Suddenly a man confronted him. He stopped short. "Is that you, Colonel Talbot?" said a voice, deep and husky, that he did not

recognize. "Yes, sir; what do you want?" he responded, gripping his cane and making ready to defend himself.

The figure moved, passing across a fleck of moonlight. Talbot saw the face and instantly remembered it. The next moment something scruck him on the allow. head, a dull, heavy blow, and he fell upon the ground still and senseless. The figure stooped over him and hurriedly but coolly searched his pockets, until a paper was found, which it carefully examined, as if to be sure of its identity. then rapidly walked away. The next morning the servants brought

to Roosevelt place a rumor that Colonel Talbot had been found in the street dead, murdered by some unknown person. When the papers were brought in they contained a full account. Colonel Talbot was not dead, but had been knocked senseless by a blow from a sandbag or some such instrument. His condition was extremely critical. It had been impossible, so far, to restore his consciousness, and no clew to the perpetrator of the foul deed had been discovered. The whole thing was veiled in mystery. No robbery had been com-The colonel's magnificent gold mitted. watch and seal, and his pocketbook, containing a small sum of money, were left undisturbed on his person. He was without enemies, so far as the reporters could discover, and not the slightest reason for his assassination suggested itself, save that it was darkly hinted that political intrigue might have led to it. A certain carpetbag candidate for congress, who had been beaten mainly by Talbot's exertions, was none too good, so the papers stated, to have done the deed, seeing that in his own state, Kansas, he had once been convicted of cow stealing! The blow fell heavily on Mildred Fain. As days and weeks passed by, with no change in Talbot's singular condition, she grew thin, and her face wore the look of one who has little left to care for. Rosalie witnessed her distress with a sympathy deepened and strangely colored by the knowledge she carried. She

Miscellancous Reading. DR. STOKES FAVORS A PRIMARY. We Must Get to the People in the Primarics, and We Must Abide with the People when they have

Spoken." To the Editor of The News and Couier : Your favor of 16th February is at hand and has had careful attention. I note that you desire to obtain from me an expression of my views "upon what course the conservative people of the State should take to bring about the unity and harmony of the

party, which was so rudely broken by the unnatural course of events in the State two years ago." It affords me pleasure to comply with your request; not, perhaps "as fully as in my judgment the importance

of the issues to be discussed may require," but as fully as the limited time at my disposal for this purpose will

This is a serious matter, regardless of the factional affiliation of him who considers it from the standpoint of the patriot, and any sincere effort to avert the impending dangers is a highly patriotic effort, its projector a patriot of generous impulse, regardless of past or present affiliations.

Permit me, at the outset, to make exception to the phraseology of the text you furnish me-not in any captious spirit-but solely to the end that investigation be not handicapped by any assumptions not clearly warranted in the premises. He who seeks a remedy rather than a mere palliative for any serious condition, must go deeper into the matter than a surface view of local manifestations. Causes must be discovered, the principles governing them must be established ; their relations to contiguous and even remote contemporaneous exents must be considered, and remedies must be predicated upon the findings in all these directions.

The exception I make is to your use of the word "unnatural," as applied to the events of 1890. Whether viewed from the standpoint of political and social science, or of industrial and commercial development, they strike me as proceeding along well-defined lines of human nature at least, as read in the individual and collective history of the race.

In my judgment, then, it is a mistake to treat, or to attempt to treat, the manifestations of two years ago as "unnatural," or as mere local phenomena, peculiar to South Carolina; and any course predicated upon the assumption that they were either unnatural or merely local, will be futile. They were the resultant of forces long

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be suspected of "wire-pulling" and | ular, I'll send you to jail for contempt "swapping" in the interest of some one of court. and against some one, or of having a personal animus. This would be inevitable and unavoidable, however wisely and patriotically conducted. This distrust is the legitimate outcome of prevalent journalistic methods.

Heretofore the press has been full of charges of political corruption, it is true ; but the charges have been uniformly preferred against Republicans

by Democrats, and against Democrats by Republicans. Lately there have been charges and

counter charges of "deals" and of corrupt trades as frequently against Democrats by Democrats, and against Republicans by Republicans, as there have ever been vice versa-in the National and the State organizations. There have been threats of revolt from party supremacy in high circles, and

in close sequence revolts have come, to our present confusion and possible un-

For these reasons, and others too painfully familiar, nothing short of an appeal to the people and ababsolute acquiescence in their verdict, will avail in this case. We must get the question out of the hands of all leaders whomsoever, or howsoever constituted, and refer it down dispassionately, apart from personal ambitions and animosities, (or suspicion of such,)

to the people for settlement. We must get to the people in the primaries, and we must abide with the people when they have spoken. Doubtless some few wise and patriotic men might shape a more consistent, a more logical, a more symmetrical settlement, but it could not stand because it would not

have the people behind it. If there be any who will not submit their opinions to the arbitrament of the ballot in the primaries for the sake of "unity and harmony in the party," neither will they be conciliated by any concession, however or by whomsoever offered, short of full concurrence in their views.

Now, Mr. Editor, these are my views. They are not new, perhaps, but they represent the conclusions I have reached after as careful consideration of the situation as I have been able to give. J. WM. STOKES. President's Office, South Carolina State J. WM. STOKES. Farmers' Alliance, Orangeburg, February 20.

REMINISCENCES OF BENCH AND BAR.

Judge Frost was born and reared in the city of Charleston, and soon won a front rank among the great lawyers who practiced at the bar. Such men as Benjamin F. Hunt, Richard Yeadon, James Pettigru and many others were then in the zenith of their fame. The first court held by Judge Frost was at Chesterfield court house. He was emago put into operation, and the plane phatically a city judge, unfamiliar the matter, and this secrecy preyed upon her. No doubt she would have told the continent. They were the mani-manners; knew nothing of the slang

Looking at the judge with a smile of benignity, Steve said : "Great God, judge, you are green. I don't know nothing about your vernacular, but if you want it in plain English, I run like hell." 'The judge broke down and lost his

dignity by joining in the laugh, and Steve was allowed to tell his tale in his own way.-Erceldoune, Red Spring Farmer.

THE OSTRICH IN CAPTIVITY.

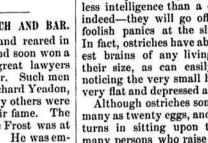
Ostriches are now regularly raised and fed, for the sake of their plumes, in Africa, Australia and America, but their feathers are not near so valuable as they used to be, and the care they require and the great losses among the birds, render them very uncertain property.

On board ship they are particularly apt to be galled and injured by the vessel's motion, and either die at once or have to be killed. They are also very apt to suffer in traveling by the railroad, and the driving them, upon their own feet, is an endless worry and trouble. The slightest unusual thing, sometimes even the sight of a dog at a distance, will cause a flock to stampede, when some are lost and others break their legs. The legs of the ostrich are enor-

mous, but the bone is very fragile, and seems sometimes as brittle as porcelain, so that a comparatively slight blow is enough to splinter it into just such jagged and pointed fragments as result from the breaking of china. As the bird is entirely unmanageable, they have to be killed.

One very common cause of broken legs with ostriches is the curious habit these birds have of waltzing round, especially when they are put in good spirits by being turned out of the enclosure in which they have been kept at night. Some of them seem to know how to

reverse, like human waltzers, but many fall from mere giddiness, apparently, and frequently break their legs in doing Then they often fight savagely and



give each other powerful kicks, which break the leg. Their kick is, indeed, tremendous, and will half kill a strong man, if he receives the full force. As they have very little sense-much less intelligence than a common fowl, indeed-they will go off in the most foolish panics at the slightest thing. In fact, ostriches have about the small-

est brains of any living creature of their size, as can easily be seen by noticing the very small head, which is very flat and depressed above the eyes. Although ostriches sometimes lay as many as twenty eggs, and the pair take turns in sitting upon them, a great many persons who raise birds hatch a good portion of the eggs in incubators, which takes six weeks.

A very young ostrich chick is quite known. It has been stated that it was etty, and they are very comical in | found engraved upon a bracelet fash-

FAMILIAR PHRASES. Considerable interest is taken in the

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origin of familiar sayings and proverbs. many of which are incorrectly attributed to this source or that. The phrase "castles in the air," for example, has been attributed to Sir Philip Sidney, Swift, Fielding, Churchill and Shenstone. It was first used more than two hundred and fifty years ago by Robert Burton in his "Anatomy of Melancholy." "Conspicuous by his absence," an expression of considerable force, came into prominence after having been used by Lord John Russell in an address to the electors of Lon-

don. He was afterward candid enough to admit that it was not an original expression with him, but taken from one of the historians of antiquity. His confession led to classical research and the expression was found in the "Annals" of Tacitus. From this authority we also have "God always fa-

vors the heaviest battalions," an expression afterwards used by Terence, Voltaire and Sevigne. "A bee in his bonnet" is no doubt of Scotch origin. 'There is a maggot in his head" is an equivalent expression in England. A writer claims that the poet Herrick originated the expression in one of his lyrics. After a careful examination of the latter nothing can be found to substantiate the claim. The expression, "All the world's a stage," though attributed to Shakspeare, is found in the Latin of Juvenal. An old Grecian au-

thor says : "Greece is a theatre where all are players." Not a few frequently quoted expressions are inaccurate, and have lost their epigrammatic force. For instance :--

"A man convinced against his will

Is of the same opinion still," s attributed to Butler. That author never penned such a blundering couplet, for how can we convince a man against his will? What Butler wrote was :--

"He that complies against his will Is of his own opinion still."

Walpole, the prime minister of the Georges, is misquoted in the expression, "All men have their price." never said so, and entertained no such narrow views of mankind. He was referring to certain persons and said : 'All these men have their price." "Money is the root of all evil" is another misquoted quotation, and a wide deviation from the truth. "The love of money is the root of all evil" is the correct quotation. "Love me little, love me long," originated with Christopher Marlowe, in his "Jews of Malta." 'Consistency is a jewel," is one of a number of expressions, "like express packages without their manifests," to which authorship has never been traced. The line, "Though lost to sight, to memory dear," has never been placed, in spite of the most persistent research. It was no doubt the title of a ballad, or a pleasing line in it, but the name of the author remains un-

velt's office amid a heap of books, pamphlets and documents, plodding slowly, step by step, through the history of previous schemes and litigations.

In the meantime he scarcely more than passion had betrayed him. spoke to Rosalie, who was longing to hear all he could tell her about Provence and le Chateau Chenier.

The evening for the party at the Roosevelt mansion arrived; charming weather with a cloudless sky, and the moon at its full; a breeze from the ocean just cool enough to make open windows a luxury.

The company was not large, between fifty and one hundred guests, but it was an exceptionally brilliant one. Julian passed from room to room in the course of the evening, finding himself once in the conservatory where a wilderness of tropical plants and trees were kept in a state of luxuriant confusion. Here he came upon Ellis and Rosalie Chenier. standing under a palm spray by a noisy little fountain. They were engaged in earnest conversation. He turned away and left them; but not before a swift pang had cut through his heart. How divinely sweet she fooked standing there before the dark fellow, her rare face upturned to bis! She wore a dress of some rich, clisging blue stuff that followed the eatlines of her form; there was old Lace about her throat, and she wore pearls in her pale gold hair: a single great ruby, the gift of Aunt Marguerite, shone like a big drop of red wine on the fair space at her throat.

Mrs. Roosevelt was a charming hostess, easy, affable, not seeking homage, as busy among her guests, and quite as unassuming, as a bee among flowers. She took great pains to introduce Julian, party, and Julian immediately left for and always with some politely elusive suggestion of his distinguished character. 'Few married women were present, and most of them were of the younger class, stately and reserved, as became southern matrons, but bright and interesting on occasion.

Toward the close of the evening Edgar Julian found Rosalie disengaged and offered her his arm. "Won't you take a turn with me?" he

said in a low tone; "all your guests seen happily fixed just now, and I may not have so good a chance to talk with you again soon. I am off for Florida tomorrow."

"So soon?" she exclaimed, taking his arm; "but you will not be gone long: you will return"-

"I cannot speak with certainty. shall have to go to Jacksonville and Tallahassee, and then away down through the wilderness to Ocala and Tampa. may be gone a month."

He enunciated the word month as if i had been century or son. "I should think you would enjoy that

trip. I have always imagined I should like Florida," she said. "But I have been traveling so much. and so rapidly," he replied, carelessly success. taking from a table, as they passed it, a

spray of heliotrope. "And you have not told me what you saw," she quickly said. "I do so much want to hear more about our old chateau men of various towns and neighborin Provence. I call it ours," she added, hoods, and by force of personal magnetlooking up and smiling archly, "because ism, a charming voice and taking man-I am so far away that the true owner ners, built up a following that served his

cannot be injured by the assumption of turn where money and mere business title; and then papa has been fastening knowledge would have failed. the fancy in my head ever since my first recollections ' find that even in Jacksonville Ellis' "It ought to be a very pleasant fancy. I was charmed with Provence." he said. with something like evasiveness in his

tone: "but one would not care to live there; it is all so different from what one sees and feels and reveres in America. Life in Provence is good for fancy to feed on, and for stuff out of which to build romance; but it is not conducive to earnest thought and worthy effort toward great achievements."

inspection I see some difficulty. She looked up quickly, as if to confirm It was Julian's turn to laugh. He had a thought, and a sudden flush spread felt the difficulty all the time. over her face, her eyes fell at once. His

"Aren't you getting almost too conscientious for a first class railroad law-"I am neglecting my guests," she yer, Julian?" Largely put this question tremblingly exclaimed. "see, some of bluntly with his cigar turned up until it

them are going. You must excuse mastood almost parallel with his nose. "Perhaps. "I believe it." "You know the remedy?" MANY MEN OF MANY MINDS.

"Get you a lawyer who is not too con-

scientious. said: "Oh. the deuce! Now, seriously, Ju-

lian, I've a plan which I believe would knock these fellows higher than a kite if properly carried out." "Your plan, I presume, is one not

meant for a tender conscience to direct." suggested Julian. Largely winced and laughed.

"It would be a deadener, all the same," he replied. "Success is what we came down here for."

Edgar Julian was a strong instance of the northern conscience. His convictions had all the purity and something of the frigid quality of ice.

Mr. Largely represented the money making north, earnest, conscienceless, godless, but honest by the gauge of Wall street or the Chicago board of trade honesty. When he heard of some poor fellow getting tangled and choked, he lighted a cigar and said, "He ought to have had better luck; let him bite again!' He had come up and out from the people, the herd, by beating and banging right and left. He presently turned to Julian. and in a tone of cool inquiry said: "What is the legal result if one railroad corporation consolidates with an-

Jacksonville on the same train with Elother, and the two take a new name as These young men politely avoided each a new corporation?" other. Julian had found out all the "There would be a merging of the cor-

porate existence of both original bodies facts of Ellis' career, and with a lawyer's into the new body," replied Julian. contempt for criminals, could not hide "I know that; but what would becom

his aversion. As for Ellis, he was too busy with his schemes to give much of lands and other subsidies granted to thought to anything else; nor did he the two original corporatians, upon condition that their roads were to be built dream that Julian contemplated any

within a certain time?" The experience and success of Edgar "It would depend much upon Julian in the management of a number original stipulations."

of most complicated and important rail-"Well, to put the case exactly, suproad suits affecting the vast commercial pose that certain private persons have and manufacturing interests of Chicago granted the right of way and large had given him wealth, prestige and unlanded donations to a railroad corporabounded self reliance. His name was at tion, incorporated under a certain name the head of the list of western railroad and having a certain line, the said right lawyers, and he deserved the distinction. of way and donations being granted under the express contract that said cor-But even the profoundest and shrewdest of men sometimes find a business skein, poration is to build over a certain line very simple in appearance, which rewithin a specified time. Then further fuses to be unraveled. Such an one was suppose that said corporation, after getting a deed to said landed donations and Julian went to Jacksonville; Ellis went right of way, proceeds to merge its corporate existence in that of another corto Tallahassee. The former, with all his acumen and experience, found himself poration, and takes a new name and commences to build over a line different at fault; the latter, not knowing the dif-

ficultness of his task, went straight to from that specified in the contract; what is the legal remedy?" Ellis had made fast friends of all the "I doubt if there is any," said Julian;

state officials, and through them had for-"but equity might afford relief." warded his interests in a hundred desir-"Well, the equitable remedy, then?" able ways. He went among the leading inquired Largely.

"Perpetual injunction, perhaps." "Would a court enjoin the further

building of the road?" "It might if irreparable injury were threatened to the grantors of the donations and rights of way."

Mr. Largely turned upon his heel, walked to the veranda railing and leaned over, resting his elbows on the top. After awhile he turned again to Julian and said:

bill, a bond and an affidavit for a restraining order."

by the invstified lawyer.

he added; "leave names and dates blank so that they can be inserted to suit any case.'

do nothing more than turn also. They down. Of the people now living, it is | with some fluctuations. At the beginto the word itself, "Easter" is from upon which there is practical agreevenir from its ruins?" standing the whole of Edgar Julian's paring most elaborate papers of the kind were both quite surprised to find that the "Yes," he replied, "I brought quite a ment-is the first step in the direction who never flinched, wrote his name the German "Ostern" (rising.) The ning of 1879, when specie payments on to Savannah and Florida. He iched he turned After he had man they had supposed to be Ellis had safe to say that no one will ever write number. You shall examine them some a date of his or her own time without were formally resumed, greenbacks down and prepared to English name is probably derived read and reread this pregnant statement: of unity and harmony. All discussion to Largely and said: evidently followed them. He was standday. One in particular will, if I mistake using a 9. Besides minding their p's went to par with gold, and have reshould be pitched upon a high plane, testimony. from "Eostre" the Teutonic goddess of "Mr. Edgar Julian, a distinguished rail-"May I ask what in the world you ing, or rather he was in the act of turn-"Tell us," said the Solicitor "what not, affect you very strangely when you spring, whose festival occurred at free from personal virtuperation and mained there ever since .- St. Louis way attorney of Chicago, is in the city, want these for?" tapping the folded docuand q's, the next three generations ing away, not fifty feet from them. you know about this affray, Mr. Lang." abuse. The man that leads off on any topping at the Duval House. It is unabout the same time as the Jewish ments. must give particular heed to their 9s. Globe-Democratic. Talbot and Rosalie looked at each "Oh, what is it?" she cried, in her ex-"When they hitched hosses, I cut," personal or vituperative line should "passover." The time for celebrating derstood that he represents some Chicago "I have no definite need for them just ---other inquiringly as Ellis, if it was he, Nine has never been regarded as a promptly responded Mr. Lang. citement leaning heavily on his arm and Easter was a subject which gave rise be promptly sidetracked by all consercapitalists in connection with Mr. Rooseat this moment," was the evasive reply; HISTORIC APPOMATTOX. - Appoint walked diagonally across the street at a particularly lucky number, but beyond "Hitched hosses, cut," soliloquized vative people, whatever their factional gazing eagerly up into his face. to many heated discussions during the tox county, Va., which has become hisvelt, of Savannah, and that he is here "but I don't know how soon I may put rapid pace, soon hiding himself among affiliation. The newspaper that prints the judge, looking at the witness for question the years in which it will "It is something very beautiful," he with a view to making it lively for those early days of Christianity. The questoric through the surrender of Lee's them to work." the trees of a little park. an explanation. "I don't understand hold so conspicuous a place will bring responded; "I don't believe I ought to tion was fully considered and finally who expect to control the lines into the such, whether as "news" or as editoarmy to Grant, is something less than Julian did not pursue the matter fur-"Surely that was not Ellis!" said Talyou, sir. Who did you cut?" benefits of undreamed value to the forestall or weaken your surprise by any attempt at description; and besides, 1 orange region. Our friend Colonel Frank settled by the council of Nice, in the rial, or that misrepresents any indi-100 miles west of Richmond. Its westher. He rose to go. bot in a half suppressed voice: "he world .- New York Tribune. A smile of contempt swept over tern boundry is the James river, and year 325, by adopting the rule which vidual or faction, should be made to Ellis would to well to keep a weather "Julian," said Largely, his voice cutwould not act so strangely." wish to see if you will adopt my view Steve's countenance at the judge's eye out for the bearings of this new ting dully through the air, "you don't makes Easter day the first Sunday affeel the displeasure of the conservait adjoins Campbell county, in which "Let us return at once," said Rosalie AN EXPERIMENTAL BUCCANEER.when you have seen the-the-well, let's tive people of all classes in a very emignorance, and he replied : "I didn't ter the first full moon after March 21. care to help wreck three or four promis-Lynchburg is. It is named after the with a shudder. A sudden sense of Washington Irving, in his early life, Mr. Largely telegraphed to Julian: call it the Chenier Souvenir." By this arrangemement of things Eastphatic way. A free ballot and a fair ing railroad companies, I reckon?" cut nobody." Appomattox Indians, a tribe or lodge danger had almost overpowered her. had a longing to go to sea and to be a "When they locked horns, I sloped." "You have set my heart to fluttering," "Make no terms. We'll crush him. He's "No, I should not know how to begin. er may come as early as March 22, or count in the primaries-a count above "Locked horns, sloped," again so- pirate. He determined to make the "Never fear," said Colonel Talbot; "nosubject to Powhattan. One of the few she naively said, carrying her free hand got no backing." the taint of suspicion : and then abso-If you will excuse me"---doubt the man means no harm; but if he as late as April 25.-Republic. attempt, but wisely decided to prepare liloquized his honor. "I still don't understand you, sir," said the judge, facts recorded about the Appomattox A few days later Mr. Roosevelt and "You are excused," interrupted Large lute acquiescence in the will of the to her breast. himself for it by preliminary experi- Indians is that their queen served John were a robber he would not attempt "Mine is disturbed too," he replied. Mr. Largely went to Jacksonville, arly dryly, "you and Roosevelt both. You When you lock your bed-room majority thus ascertained will, in my ----ences. He began by eating salt pork. Smith with water in which to wash his anything in this part of the city." riving on the same day that brought Sir "It's really exciting, isn't it?" she went door at night, you should remember judgment, do the work-i. e., "restore are too sentimental for my purposes. She clung more closely now, and in a his face reddening as he saw every hands on one ocasion when that adven-That made him sick. He then slept on, not dreaming of what his words were Edmond Kane and his party. guess I can manage this little affair member of the bar convulsed with that there is something more impor- unity and harmony among our peofor a night or so on hard boards. | turous English was brought into the shaking voice urged him to take her The presence of such a number of railtant to be locked out than intruders ple." Nothing short of this will commeant to convey. home quickly. He thought her excitelaughter. That made him sore. It was enough. presence of Powhattan.-St. Louis Reor burglars, and that is worry. If pass it. No individuals, nor collec-"With another smile from Steve, al-"While I think of it," he said, changway magnates, including a member of Next day, without disclosing his plan ment the mere timidity of a young girl. Other boys who want to capture menpublic. ing his tone, "is Rosalie a name that the British parliament and a German most audible, he said : "When they to either Julian or Mr. Roosevelt, Largeyou leave all worry and care on the tions of individuals, can do it. If he had known all that she knew he of-war, or who desire to go West and runs back in your family?" baron, was blazoned forth to the world ly was for several hours in close consulta-There is almost universal distrust of tangled, I toddled." we are all the time making charwould not have wondered at her emotion. outside, nothing else could harm you. scalp Indians, would do well to imitate "It was my father's grandmother's by the clever newspapers of the city. tion with a firm of able Jacksonville at-Worry makes a bad bed-fellow. Fight what are designated as political meth-The whole court house roared, On their way back to the Roosevelt acter, whether we are doing anything name; it may date much farther up the young Irving's example .--- Baltimore Edgar Julian, Mr. Largely and Mr. tornevs. as hard against entertaining it as you ods. The action of any delegated or Steve above the rest. mansion they talked little. Rosalie else or not. line," she replied; "papa says it is a Roosevelt had a meeting and conference He returned to the hotel and joined would against admitting a burglar. undelegated body beforehand would "If you don't use a different vernac-American. hung heavily on his arm. When they with Sir Edmond Kane and the Baron Chenier name. But why do you ask?" Mr. Roosevelt and Julian at supper. He reached the little gate he opened it; she Wertheimer, but no arrangement was "The name is common in France. I

that the man who was going to marry her best friend was in a position to make him quite dear to her.

Colonel Talbot was leaning his head close to hers as they sang. They were both unaware that a tall, dark man had stopped in the street, just beyond the courtyard wall, and was looking and listening through the gate. The man clutched a slat of the gate as if to rend it, then turned and walked away with his very blood on fire. Colonel Talbot, as the singing came to

an end, took the banjo from Rosalie and "Let us go walking-this splendid moonlight makes an enchanted world of the city. I want to show you the loveliest spot under the sky." "I shall have to ask Aunt Marguerite first," she answered. "If she says I may go, I shall be glad to take the turn.

have been indoors all day.' When she returned she had a light blue scarf over her head, and her face beamed the more witchingly from the contrast. A few bright locks of her hair curled over her broad forehead. "We are not going serenading." she said, taking the banjo and putting it on a chair: "aunt says I may not be gone

longer than a half hour." Rosalie hung lightly on Colonel Talbot's arm, feeling a deep sense of security, mingled with a girlish consciousness of the romantic possibilities of the situation. It must be remembered that she was fresh from the reading of stories full of knights and troubadours, of princes in disguise, and of lady loves for whom men gladly faced death. If she dreamed of a lover, she made him, in some sort, a champion sans peur et sans reproche. She would marry him who would win her by personal prowess directed by the fervor of romantic love; his nature must be lofty and his aims pure; he must be a Launcelot in bravery, a Bayard in honor.

Many young girls have such a dream; but with Rosalie it was a hereditament. a part of her nature's fiber. Talbot nestled her arm closer to his side. They now and then passed low

stoops where groups of people were enjoying the balmy breeze and the moonlight. He felt a keen satisfaction in thus having this fresh young girl all to himself, and it thrilled him to feel her light touch on his arm. "But where is that lovely scene you

were going to show me?" she demanded, just as they met a tall man, who, with a wide brimmed hat slouched over his face, was leisurely strolling in a direction opposite to theirs "Why, that-that was Mr. Ellis, was it not?" she added almost in a whisper.

"I believe it was," he replied: "I could not see his face." "But I thought he was in Jacksonville." she murmured.

He felt her arm quiver a little, and her voice was disturbed, as if with a pleasurable emotion. He felt a responsive pang leap through his own breast at the thought of any man save himself causing that tender flutter. "We shall reach the spot I spoke of in

few moments now," he said, unconsciously quickening his pace and drawing her rapidly along. At length they came to where a street had been temporarily walled across to prevent travel in it during the erection

of some public improvement. Here Talbot paused, finding their further progress barred by the wall across the street. "I suppose we shall have to forego the pleasure 1 promised," he said: "it would

"Oh, no," exclauned Talbot, "it is impossible coming." He looked at his watch, holding it in a spot of moonlight.

before. It disclosed to his quick under-Julian spent the rest of the day pre-

osevelt had it not been for her aunt's deepseated prejudice against Then, too, circumstances had Ellis.

rendered the young man's guilt a matter of mystery, if not of serious doubt, in her mind. No one else seemed to suspect him, and in fact his presence in the city on the night of the crime was contradicted by his being on the day previous at Jessup, a town many miles south of the city, where he had an important meeting with railroad friends. over, have long felt the pressure of an Rosalie often felt an impulse toward intangible, indefinable force bearing writing to Ellis, but quite as often she recoiled from the thought. She somethem down, down. In the face of untimes longed to see him and hear what paralleled general prosperity and prohe would say to the dreadful accusation; gress, they have been growing poorer then she would start and tremble at the and poorer. While laboring hard and idea of talking with a murderer. The harder from year to year, they have poor child-for in experience she was found it hard and harder to live, to scarcely more-could do nothing save brood over this strange dark subject by even a show of respectability. Whethday and dream of it by night. Mildred Fain came often to see her, and they aggravated rather than softened each other's distress.

Mrs. Roosevelt quickly noticed her in the interest of a class, as well as in niece's trouble, and after a little thought unequal taxation. Hence their simulattributed it to a tender feeling on her taneous assault upon all the avenues part for Colonel Talbot. It would have pleased Aunt Marguerite very much, if Rosalie must marry, to see her become the wife of a representative southerner like Talbot. Of course she was not informed of his engagement with Miss Fain, as it had not become public, and he was wealthy, of good family, handsome and fascinating. But Aunt Marguerite was too shrewd a woman of the world to venture any meddling. She shrank from contemplating such a thing as Rosalie leaving her, even to marry a low country aristocrat, and she was afraid to have the subject of love considered between them, for fear that if once the thought got started it might so Rosalie was left to bear the burden

of her suspicions, her doubts, her fears, her hopes, all alone. It was a great load for a bright, innocent, unsophisticated mind to be weighted with. It could not wholly drive out the gayety and sprightliness; it did not blot the roses and dim-ples from her cheeks, nor did it dim her eyes; but it hung like a cloud on the orizon, all the time threatening to overcast her whole sky.

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THE PUZZLE ABOUT EASTER.

Not one person in ten can tell you why it is that Christmas, the day celebrated as Christ's birthday, always falls on the same day of the month, while Easter, the day upon which we celebrate his ascension, changes every year. In giving a solution of this riddle, the first point to be considered is this: Christ was crucified on Friday, the 14th day of the Jewish month Nisan, and rose from the grave on the following Sunday. The 14th day of Nisan was the Jewish "passover," the day observed by them in commemoration of the sprinkling of their doorposts with the blood of the paschal lamb on the night when the "destroying

Angel" passed over the dwellings of the Israelites, but smote the first born of the Egyptian. As the year of the Jews is a lunar year, and the 14th of Nisan is always a full moon day, the Christian church, regarding the observance of the crucifixion of Christ as

sues rather than men : national issues The judge cast his eye upon Steve, year 1999 three 9s will have to be set backs increased in value, although she demanded: "did you fetch any southe common calendar. Coming down

population, but an accomplished gengrowing among all laboring classes in leman, a cultured scholar and a procity and in country, in field and in factory, in farm house and in shop. That found lawyer.

In order to more fully appreciate discontent exists today, Mr. Editor, in this story I now intend relating, my your own city and in every city of the readers must allow me to switch off on land, to an extent not less alarming a side track, in order to bring before than is that in the rural districts; and them one of the most unique characall that is lacking in city as in country, ters the State ever produced, who is leadership in front, and a sympathetgave his honor, Judge Frost, his first ic press behind, to make it an irresistilesson in country slang. ble power. These people, the land

In the town of Cheraw there lived are the valuable ones. an old woman, who lived, no one lean, the bare thighs being the only knew how, with two boys. One of fleshy part. On this the ostrich farmthem named Steve-Steve Lang. 'Tis ers brand their marks, like cattle raisof him I write. At the time I write about, Steve was ers brand their animals.

about 18 years old, but long before that time had won renown as a natural born wit and wag. His exploits were educate their children and keep up not always confined to the principles er right or wrong, they have become impressed that the hidden force they ucation was gathered around the slums obliged to kill one of the birds. and suburbs of the town from his assofeel is applied through manipulation of ciates. Under no circumstances was the financial system of the government he abashed at any conduct he was engaged in, however compromising it might be. His great passion from his early youth was rabbit hunting, and ing by their owners. for this purpose he kept four or five long, lank, mangy curs that followed at his heels wherever he went.

When about ten years of age, a pious Christian old lady went through the back streets of town drumming for Sunday school scholars. She called on old aunt Sally Lang and obtained her promise to send Steve next Sabthink it not impertinent to remark in bath morning to the Sunday school. Steve at first rebelled, but one grasp from her long, bony fingers in his shirt collar, one snatch across her lap and the humming of a shingle for about five minutes, and Steve succumbed.

Bright and early Sunday morning Steve put in his appearance at the church door. The good old lady met him and invited him in; his faithful friends, his many curs, stopped outside. She carried Steve to a seat, and with a heart filled with zeal she began her first lesson that should rescue him from his wild career. She commenced rening.

citing the Lord's prayer, Steve following. When about half way through, he there is almost universal agreement heard a dog bark. His instincts overamong our people of all classes. The larly jewelry. whelmed him, and jumping from his majority of the people are impressed seat, he exclaimed : "By G-d. Watch that there is something seriously has jumped a rabbit. I must go." wrong, and share in the discontent of and out of the door he leaped with a ing the birds in an inclosure, and who whoop of encouragement to his dogs, and thus ended Steve's religious train-

> a shot and the diamond was swallow-He soon become a familiar character ed. Then a consultation was held as around the grog shops, and like Ransy Sniflle in the Georgia Scenes, he was to the relative value of the stone and the bird-which was a fine one. It was always trying to get up a fight among just at the time when ostriches were the bullies who infested these haunts. He was always careful to keep out of a fight himself, believing that "prudence was the better part of valor.' But on one occasion he became so

officious, he had to run to keep from being chastised in a general melee he had worked up, in which some of the parties were badly cut up, and the reto the collection in his crop. sult was they were indicted and the case was entered on the criminal dock-

This brings me back to the first court very long-lived; and, strange to say, Judge Frost had ever held. Every the oldest of which any knowledge is member of the bar was well acquainthad yield as handsome feathers as any. ed with Steve, and they all anticipated a rich time when he was to be ex-

"State vs. Daniel McLean, assault

way," said Rosalie, "the half hour is alno connection with the ritual of the old ditions, local and general. A fair ranged from 62.3 to 79.5, in 1864 from very striking sentence: date without using the figure 9. For He went at once to his room, followed Stephen, a long, lank individual, with ready quite gone, I fear." field and a patient, respectful hearing nineteen years during that period two 38.7 to 67.3. The year 1864, which church, and, like dozens of other im-We shall have to give everything up both hands rammed down in his pockmovable feast days of the Church of for candidates representing every 9s must be written-in 1899, 1909, 1919, | was the darkest period of the war, saw or make terms with this man Ellis." "Now make these papers watertight ets and a self-poised air that did not We haven't been ten minutes Rome, many of them birthdays of 1929, 1939, 1949, 1959, 1969, 1979, the government currency at its lowest shade of opinion among us; fullest One day Ellis read in a Jacksonville quail when he took his position by the and freest discussion upon a high saints, it was finally settled that it value and gold at its greatest premidaily newspaper a paragraph that set udge, who sat in his black silk flowing 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, plane--calm, rational discussion of isrobe, the very embodiment of justice. 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998; and for one um. After the war, of course, green-"But what was our old chateau like?" should be observed on a given day of him to thinking as he had never thought Rosalie had turned about and he could

ioned in the seventeenth century their movements. But they soon get "To make assurance doubly sure" is angular and awkward, and continue taken from Shakspeare's "Macbeth," so for two or three years. During two years the sexes cannot be distinguished, Act IV., Scene I :--

"And yet I'll make assurance double sure and the plumage is coarse, rough, and And take a bond of fate.'

of a dirty drab, mixed with black. The following familiar quotations orig-At five years the bird is full grown, inated with Scott : "The vain tribute and the male is then of a glossy black of a smile ;" "Unwept, unhonored and and the female gray, both having white wings and tail. In each wing are unsung;" "To beard the lion in his "A sea of upturned faces;" twenty-four long white feathers, which den :" "There's a gude time coming."

The ostrich's body is very bony and A DOG CURES ITSELF OF FITS.

"Dash Rice" is an aged liver and white pointer, the pet and friend of the household. Age and lack of exercise, with a too liberal diet, have given The meat of the thigh is good, but rather stringy and tough, but makes him a tendency to daily fits. So regular is this habit that callers frequentexcellent soup, for which it is used ly ask him, "Well, have you had your very often by ostrich farmers who are fit today ?" If he has he answers by a wag of the tail and an animated One ostrich egg is equal in quantity countenance ; if not he droops his tail of contents to about twenty-four hens' and sneaks off to his rug with a diseggs, and it is quite as delicate and useful for most household purposes, tinct manifestation of disapproval of such questioning.

but the birds themselves are too valu-A year or more ago he indicated a able for many eggs to be used for eatfancy for wooden tooth picks, and at meal times would hang about the A number of ostriches are killed on table until he received one. Some the farms of the breeders, by collision one, for fun, once gave him a burned with the wire fences, by means of match for a toothpick and he accepted which great portions of land are enit graciously. A little later an unburnclosed. They often charge into the ed match was substituted. and this he wires after some dog, or other supaccepted and devoured with especial posed enemy on the outside, and insatisfaction. It was so funny to see a ure themselves fatally. This often dog eat matches that it soon became happens when the dog is merely passthe custom for Dash to have one after ing and is taking no notice of the bird. every meal, and now he insists on his Ostriches swallow all sorts of hard supply. If it is not forthcoming he sits things, which gives rise to the saying,

by the stand where the matches are "the digestion of an ostrich," but they kept and patiently "points" until he take them, just as a small bird takes grains of sand, to enable the gizzard to | is attended to. If too long neglected he puts up his paw, overturns the match box and helps himself. But he grind up the food. In their crops are found bones, broken china and glass never takes but one and never asks for and pieces of iron, as well as stones. it except at meals.

They have been known, on ostrich The strangest part of his history is. farms, to take the lighted pipe from a however, that his self conceived preman's mouth and swallow it, and other scription of sulphnr and phosphorous things as curious and unlikely. Their has entirely cured him of his daily action, in doing so, is as quick as lightfits, and he has not had one for many They are attracted by anything which glitters, and often pick up such weeks.

His master is a physician, and it is a things, carelessly left about, particuuestion for those who are interested animal psychology to consider how A lady sometimes has her car-ring Dash evolved so successful a course of snatched at while leaning over a fence looking at the ostriches, and a story is treatment from his doggish consciousness and his medical environment .--told of a gentleman who was inspect-Boston Herald.

wore a diamond pin in his scarf. A

Dr. J. C. Hiden, in The Religious bird spied the stone, his bill came like Herald, tells a good story of Dr. W. F. Broadus. A brother, somewhat tinctured with rationalism, was asking his opinion as to the historical literalness of the Biblical account of the very valuable, and as the bird was | Garden of Eden. "Well, Dr. Broadus," valued at \$500, and the diamond was | said the brother, "you do not hold the only worth \$400 the bird was allowed | view of a real garden, do you ?" "Yes, "And do you to live. Now ostriches are a good deal | I do," was the reply. believe in a real tree and in real fruit?" cheaper, and the life of the robber "Certainly I do. Don't you ?" "Why would be sacrificed at once for his auno: I believe the story is an allegory. dacity in adding such a valuable stone "I cannot think so," said Dr. Broadus for if I give up the tree and then ad-Ostriches have been in captivity so mit that the fruit and garden were alshort a time that it is not known how legorical, it will not be long before long they live. They are certainly somebody will come along and call up-

my man. This is a very singular fact, and goes

on me to admit that the man was alle-

gorical, and I can't afford to give up

to prove the longevity of the birds, if THE VALUE OF GREENBACKS .- In name was upon the lips of all the pushno accident happens to them. Those a substitute for the old "Passover" of or "an unnatural course of events." amined. 1862, when the greenbacks first went ing capitalists and land traders. At which are in captivity die by accident. the Jews, determined Easter by the In my judgment there is a way to Ocala and Tampa he made the same disinto circulation, their price in gold for effect this, and that way leads direct with deadly weapon," cried out the rules for reckoning the Jewish ecclethe entire year averaged about 88.3 covery. From Gainseville, in the heart "Come to my room and write me a solicitor, the first case Monday morn-THE FIGURE NINE .- For one hunbe a long way around." siastical year. Christmas, intended to to the people: a time-honored way, on the dollar, their highest being 98.5 of the orange groves, he wrote to Mr. and ten years to come, no man, wo-"I think we might better go back, anycommemorate the birth of Christ, had the Democratic way, suited to all coning. and their lowest 75.6. In 1863 they Largely. In the letter was the following "Call Stephen Lang." Up walked man or child will write the current

the farmers and laborers. This practical agreement upon the general conditions furnishes, in my judgment, the key to the situation. But superiming. posed upon them are various local questions, more or less remotely connected with them, which give the coloring peculiar to each State. In some sections there is an appalling gulf between poor and rich, and there the local manifestations are highly alarming. Happily there exist no such extremes of poverty and wealth in our State. But the tendency is here, and its blighting effect upon the moral and industrial interests elsewhere should lead all patriotic people to resist the tendency here. In our own case, then, where senti-

ment as well as condition is compara- et with Steve Lang as a witness.

tively homogeneous along the lines of local disturbance prevalent elsewhere, it should be easy to restore "unity and harmony," whether "rudely broken" or not; whether broken by a natural

to government-local, State and national. While not always rational in the direction of their efforts, it must be admitted that the effort itself is eminently natural. It is natural for them to wish to shift the burdens they feel to be inequitably imposed ; and it is natural for those who enjoy the benefits of manipulation and of unequal taxation to resist any interference. I passing, that in my opinion this discontent is in no sense a fact to be deplored. On the contrary, it is a divinely appointed safeguard to popular government. The painstaking statesman

recognizes it as a warning, a symptom of disease ; but many of our leaders of public opinion are not painstaking, and too often dismiss the matter (when pressed upon their attention) in a flippant way-referring all evidence of discontent to a desire on the part of improvident people to get more than they are entitled to. Upon the general causes I think