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TROUBLE IN CHIHUAHUA.

ognize American Consul.

United States Consul Marion Letch-

er, stationed in Chihuahua, Mexico, is

Leader Orozco Refuses to Rec

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buildings, and they will be in charge

of representatives of the farm demon-

stration work. The boys will be or-

ganized into a semi-military organiza-

tion, and while the men of the demon-

characteristic enthusiasm and energy.

ROOSEVELT'S WORK.

of Practical Benefit.

dispose of him, too.

occasion a Russian division had been Miscellancous Reading. CIACIACIACIACIACIACIACIACIACIACIA in an imperilled position, cut off from their communications, with only the

sea open to them, and desperately in

need of ammunition. Dick volunteered

fleet in a small steamer loaded down

with powder and projectiles, and the

services of the American were accept-

shots whistled about the powder-laden

vessel was lying under the Russian

DICK GRANGERS' -:- KISMET -:-

By CAPT. H. D. SMITH, U. S. REVENUE SERVICE

batteries, and the czar's stalwart chil-

"And I have neither hope nor light; For me the sun grows wan and gray, And the drear shadows of the night Stream far into the golden day."

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welled up through Dick Granger's heart as he tore along the highway leading from his native village, where for eighteen years he had lived a quiet, uneventful life.

Dick was the only son of the Widow at sea ten years before. The boy had to iron gray. been bewailing his lot in life, complaining bitterly to his mother.

"It is easy enough to talk, mother, about resignation. I have heard that key, and the cargo of naval stores in preached all the days of my life, but I the Aurora's hold found a good market fail to see that it helps things at all. with the warlike Moscovites. Do I not spring from a better stock

than the squire's son? You told me that my ancestors fought in the Revolution, were in the Continental navy, and, again, they wore a sword in 1812. is it strange that I should have a desire for a different kind of life than ed taut, brass work glistening merrily, the Stars and Stripes floating proudly offers in this dull, obscure place?"

ly, and as he left the room her parting words rang in his ears: "You are a zas, announced the coming of the royal for it."

were stamped vividly upon his mind, to of all the Russias. be recalled amid wild sobs and bitter

anguish with despair and desperation tugging at his heart. From his mother's presence he had ensign in honor of the event. sallied forth to meet unexpectedly a

pretty village maiden, Jennie Raymond, who in the depths of his young, honest heart he loved with all the of ladies and gentlemen. The handstrength and passion of his nature. It some American clipper-ship was the was a somewhat lonely spot, which fact center of attraction, and from the spamay have emboldened Tom Mason, the clous deck of the yacht rose a subdued squire's eldest son, to overtake and murmur of applause.

torment the village maiden. With the strength and activity of a and, striking straight from the shouldthe blood slowly oozer. The fact, white in rapid succession.

free from apprehension; and the limp defeat. body of the squire's son, with his staring, expressionless eyes, like Banquo's ghost at the banquet, would not down The poet's lines faithfully portray- at his bidding. To have written one ed the utter mystery and despair that word, to have sent his mother his carefully hoarded savings, would have been a boon for which he would gladly have risked everything. But the fear of an ignominious death kept him silent. The

mental strain had told upon him; the pale face wore a settled tinge of sad-Granger, whose husband had been lost ness, while the brown hair had changed ting, cruel rocks, and bristling with The good ship Aurora finally found

refuge in the harbor of Cronstadt. Russia was on the eve of war with Tur-

It was a gala day. The Russian fleet was to be inspected by high dignitaries, and each man-of-war was gayly bedecked with bunting. The Aurora had also put on her holiday attire, with yards squared, running gear hauland a title.

His mother answered him soothingfrom the monkey gaff. The boom of cannon, assembling of officers and marines, the manning of good boy, Dick, and God will bless you yards, and a succession of wild huz-

Every word, gesture, kiss, and caress steam yacht, bearing on board the czar

Dick Granger, arrayed in his best attire, stood by the signal halyards, waiting for the proper moment to dip the

While the stupid, stolid sailors

the czar hesitated, abashed by the

presence of their all-powerful ruler,

Ten days later and the young mate

was closeted with Captain Bell in the

"It is a short yarn, but an eventful

one, sir. The child I saved was a fa-

self:

Of heart-pulses throbbed through

A month later, Dick led to the alta

Jennie Raymond, attired in a wonder

ful wedding costume Dick had procur-

ed from the famed looms of the Volga

Jewels of rare lustre gleamed amid the

proud husband, who, attired in the full

rank, filled the villagers' hearts full to

overflowing with awe and admiration

as they realized that the imposing

stranger was no less a personage than

the Widow Granger's long-absent son

in the annals of the quaint and se

questered little village, and long after

Dick, accompanied by his bride and

widow's son, and the grand wedding

with young and old.

It was an event never to be forgotten

the river, Those lights in the harbor at last,

The heavenly harbor at last.

The royal yacht passed slowly through the fleet, the quarter-deck crowded by a gay and glittering throng

A child, in its eagerness to witness the spectacle, approached the broad, panther, Dick, who had taken in the open gangway of the royal yacht. A situation at a glance, was by her side, slight lurch was sufficient for the little unpracticed feet to lose their hold, the er, the well-dressed young reprobate lithe body lost its equilibrium. A measured his length on the snow-clad scream, a flash of white clothing amid earth. In falling his head struck the the eddying wake astern, terror and jagged edge of a rock, inflicting an confusion on the deck of the yacht, ugly wound on the temple, from which were events that followed each other

dren placed beyond the possibility of such condemnation being recently affirmed by the supreme court. By a bold movement of his frigate the home papers for publication. Judge Sease issued a rule yesterday during the height of a furious engage for Miss Yoe to show cause why she should not be adjudged in contempt night, comes the banquet, given by ment, Dick succeeded in taking up an advantageous position, aiding materially in flanking a Turkish force, his Yoe appeared in court this morning rapidly served guns and raking fire and when questioned by his hono bringing panic and dismay amid the stated that she had not been con

DEFIES THE COURT.

Contempt.

Greenwood, April 10 .- A most un

fused to vacate certain lands con-

demned by the town of Greenwood

ranks of the true believers. It took temptuous but always very respectful to the court. Judge Sease then recited folks have. good seamanship to save the frigate from disaster that day, for she was the case to her and the affirmation caught on a lee shore lined with jutof the verdict of the circuit court by the state supreme court and asked charge of all preliminary arrangecannon. The Turks stood ready to ridher why she did not obey the order ments for the exposition school, and

dle the frigate the moment she should of the court and move off the contake the bottom; but Dick, trumpet in demned lands. Miss Yoe answered hand, handled his ship with consumthat it was her home, left her by her mate skill, worked off shore, with the parents. Judge Sease ordered the czar's banner waving in the face of the sheriff to take charge of her and com

to run the gauntlet of the Turkish Greenwood Woman Goes to Jail for

enemy, never losing an opportunity to mit her to jail for a period of thirty New York World Admits That Will Be test the efficiency of his guns when days for contempt of court, but add they could be brought to bear. This, ed that if she decided to obey the and a couple of daring deeds in concourt's order to vacate that she should nection with the torpedo service be liberated. against the Turkish ironclads, won for Miss Yoe readily accompanied the campaign until the national conventhe widow's son additional promotion deputy sheriff, D. T. Major, to the pail, tion meets, as the Illinois result will

where she now is. Coming into court The quiet and repose of a winter's she brought with her a large bouquet

His nomination for president would night had settled down upon the vilof flowers. She laid these on the outbe a great calamity, but his campaign lage, from which, years before, Dick side before going in, but when she for the nomination is a great publi Granger had fled. The old, rambling, came out she picked them up and carbenefit. He is shaking up the dry weather-beaten, stained tavern, which ried them to jail with her. On the bones of fossilized respectability. He had so long withstood the inroads of way she asked what would be the outis scaring the Republican party out time, loomed up prominently, its angucome at the end of thirty days of its smug self-complacency. He is lar proportions sharply defined against Whether this is an indication that she driving it down the road of political the clear wintry sky. From the front means to remain the thirty days is not progress in spite of itself, and the fur-

windows streamed forth a mellow her he drives it the better. known. flickering light, suggestive of warmth To insist upon occupying the prem and comfort, and a tall, commanding ises on her release would doubtles

figure paused for a moment on the mean constant arrest and imprison threshold, gazing curiously about him ment, since the court has adjudged ere he passed into the office, that also her in contempt. The land in ques Fernando Wood used to say. The Rochserved as a bar and waiting-room. tion is about seventy acres, and adester convention furnishes only one il-Leaning over the well-worn counter joins the present tract owned by the ustration out of many of the excellent town of Greenwood and used by the lounged the landlord, who cackled softly to himself as he listened to some bit water and light plant. The land was White House.

of village gossip that was being relatcondemned under statutory proceeded by his companion. Both the cackle ings to protect the watershed of the and the yarn came to an abrupt termiwater supply of the town. nation as the stalvart form of the

THE SENATORIAL RACE. stranger, closely enveloped in a curiously shaped overcoat with hood and

pendant tassel, the whole lined and No Good Reason Why There Should bordered with costly sables, stood re-Not Be a Change.

about the American people and much less about the Wall street contributors liams of Berkeley; Davis of Clarendon; doubled, and new spirit and vastly in-We have never been in sympathy to the campaign fund than it would Lide of Orangeburg. Sinkler of creased vigor would be found for every under arms. Notwithstanding this, he vealed to their wondering gaze. Glancing sharply at the two loungers have done had not Mr. Roosevelt's can- Charleston, did not express himself.- manufacturing and commercial enter- was condemned and shot. American with the often expressed sentiment for a moment, the stranger threw a that Senator Tillman should be sent Columbia special of Thursday to the prise known to our people. back to the United States senate withrd on the nearest table, without conideay threatened the country with po-"This is the great task ahead of us. out opposition. We say sentiment for News and Courier descending to waste a word upon them litical disaster. it is sentiment and not sense nor rea What is true at Rochester will be and abruptly left the tavern. son. Senator Tillman has passed his With wondering eyes the astounded true at Chicago. The national plat-LARGE FARMS A MENACE. day of usefulness in the senate. His men examined the card upon which form will be a better platform than it calling." health is very bad and he cannot take was emblazoned: "Count Grangaski, would have been if Mr. Roosevelt had Clarence Poe Advocates Tax Reductio active part in deliberations of that kept out of the contest. A better plat-On Small Holdings. THE PRICE OF COTTON. That big plantations are a menace t

It is a far more representative con-

ot Mr. Roosevelt tried to seize a third

convention. It will come closer to

increment in urban or rural land val-Carolina Democrats for the presidenstration department will have close not the American consul as far as ues, after the English policy, but exsupervision over them, it is planned tial nomination, if a poll of the mem-General Pascual Orozco, commanderbers of the Democratic executive com- empting from the latter provision all usual event in South Carolina court that the boys themselves will be given in-chief of the rebel army, is concerned. Under cover of a thick mist he happenings was the commitment to certain responsibilities. They will mittee, 23 out of 40 expressing their who own less than \$1,000 or \$2,000 choice for the New Jersey governor, is worth of land. We must tax small General Orozco made this statement stole out of the harbor, a few flying jail here this morning of Miss Belle visit the exhibits in the mornings and a correct index to public sentiment in holdings less, great holdings more, the Yoe by order of Judge Sease for con- in the afternoons will have parades, last Friday, declaring that as the Unithis matter. Speaker Champ Clark is gains of thrift and industry less, the craft, and in twenty-four hours the tempt of court because she had re- and will be given special instruction ted States government does not recoggains of chance or inheritance more. in corn judging, stock judging and the the choice of eight of the members, like. The boys will be asked to pre- Congressman Underwood two, and Into our state laws here in the south Governor Harmon three, while three of as in our national laws at Washington, pare reports of what they see and the best of these reports will be sent to the members were for the most avail- we must write the determination of the able man and one declined to express people that the birth-right of every

Jersey, has a long lead among South and a graduated tax on the unearned

mall home-owner and land-holder, and

increase the taxes on others-princi-

pally by levying heavy graduated tax-

es on inheritances of \$5.000 or over.

man to the liberty and happiness of Then, on Saturday night, the last any opinion. home-owning shall be properly safe-State Chairman Willie Jones is for of court. In answer to the rule Miss the city of Columbia in honor of the Governor Wilson, while Governor guarded, and that the weak shall not tion we grant any foreigner," said be forced to bear the burdens of the Blease was one of the three who ex-Corn club boys. There will be speech-General Orozco. es by some of the most notable men pressed a choice for Harmon. Judg- strong, or the many impoverished that

few may be enriched. A great demin the country, and in fact, it will be ing by the poll of the committee, there ocracy of thrifty, prosperous, homea genuine banquet, just like grown-up is practically no sentiment for Harmon. Speaker Champ Clark is Wilowning small farmers is the hope of the south and should be the goal of all our Prof O B Martin, assistant in son's nearest competitor, but Gover-

charge of the boy's department of the nor Wilson is overwhelmingly the striving. Vast areas held for speculafarm demonstration work, will be in choice of the committee. It appears that Congressman Under

building, near the main exposition WILSON SENTIMENT STRONGEST. the taxes on the poor man and the

Committee,

Governor Woodrow Wilson of New

Poll

South Carolina Democratic

wood is the second choice of the mamore than factory machines to their he has entered upon the work with jority of the committee, and there is no doubt but that the newspaper sup plements which the Underwood people have been distributing among the county papers have worked up consid-

erable sentiment for the Alabamian. thrifty and progressive farmers and United States Senator E. D. Smith nomination for president, but the was proclaiming the virtues of Goverhome-owners would come in and give World hopes that he will continue his nor Wilson this morning while busily strength and power to the state. Then too, we need to encourage the shaking hands with his many friends Senator Tillman would not express small farmers into our southern counchoice, but is known to be friendly to try. We need them to reduce our toothe New Jersey man.

burdensome proportion of negro popu-The poll of the committee follows: lation. I have no ill-will against our For Wilson: Jones of Abbeville; Holley of Aiken; Breazeale of Anderson; Free of Bamberg; Caldwell of Chester; Duval of Chesterfield; James erybody knows that the great drawof Darlington; Hamer of Dillon; Padback to rural life is its isolation. If gett of Edgefield; Gasque of Florence; the south were a great democracy of Bramlett of Greenville; Lightsey of Hampton; Lewis of Horry; Robington

of Lancaster; Cooper of Laurens; Grifstand pat. It is obliged to move with fith of Lexington; Montgomery of Mar- the problem of social life on the farm an insult to them, not to mention the the procession and "pander to the lon; Walker of Oconee; Jones of Richmoral sentiment of the comumnity," as land; Crouch of Saluda; Bennett of our larger population would support the deprived of legitimate revenue. Spartanburg; Parrott of Sumter, Greer inest school system in the world; our of Union. Total, 23. greater number of tax-payers would

For Clark: Bivens of Dorchester; results of Mr. Roosevelt's dash for the Doar of Georgetown; Jefferies of Jasenable us to have magnificent roads, good all the year round; the larger per; Bell of Cherokee; James of Lee; population would provide adequate Drake of Marlboro; Richards of Kervention than would have been held had shaw; Wilborn of York. Total, 8. support for the best doctors and preachers and professional men; rural For Underwood: Talbird of Beau erm. It is a far more progressive fort; Smoak of Colleton. Total, 2. For Harmon: Buist of Barnwell; meeting the real issues of American Blease of Newberry; Ketchen of Fairthe night; the prosperity of our towns, politics. It is thinking much more field. Total, 3.

and of every other industry would be For the most available man: Wil-

nize the belligerency of the Liberals, the Liberals cannot recognize Letchei as consul. Orozco adds that he does not like the tone of certain communications from Letcher. "Mr. Letcher is merely an American

citizen and entitled to the considera-Mr. Letcher was not perturbed visi-

bly when informed of his officia! ostracism and will treat the general merely as a Mexican citizen.

The official ostracism includes also James I. Long, the United States agent tive purposes or bought by corpora- at Parral. A series of incidents have tions merely for financial profit and led to the climax. Since the revolution cultivated by men who are nothing began the consul from time to time has been compelled in the absence of othowners-all such holdings are a men- er authority from Chihuahua, to take ace to progress and prosperity in the up various matters with Orozco. The south, as indeed are all great planta- latter fretted under the fact that the tions where a backward tenantry is consul did not address him as a reguexploited when by cutting them up, jarly constituted authority.

Less than a week ago a rebel band went through a Mexican Central train bound from Chihuahua to Juarez, and seized letters and documents carried coming of thrifty northern and western by passengers, among them being considerable matter addressed by the consul to the state department at Washington. Mr. Letcher protested to Orozco against this act. There were severnegroes, but they themselves will be al exchanges and finally the Liberal helped by increasing the percentage of leader informed the consul that the our white population. Moreover, ev- letters had been seized because either they were stamped with American

stamps, or not stamped at all, Orozco declared that the fact that home-owning, eighty-acre farmers, and the letters were not entrusted to the our number of negroes not increased, mails as conducted by the rebels was would be solved, the proportion of ne- fact that by using messengers instead groes would be too small to be serious; of the mails, the rebel government is

In conclusion, the consul was in formed that his letters were in the postoffice and that they were at his disposal as soon as he saw fit to affix official Mexican postage stamps.

Another thing which increased the tension between Orozco and Messrs. telephones, the transportation of school Letcher and Long was the execution children, the development of social of Thomas Fountain, an American solcenters follow as naturally as the day dier fighting under the leadership of General Pancho Villa, at Parral.

Fountain was not a spy, but a soldier, and was captured in uniform and citizens attempted to interfere and as rt Consul Letcher and Con

and colorless, was upturned towards the leaden sky, from which flakes of snow were beginning to fall. With dilated eyes, Jennie impulsive- Dick, who had witnessed the accident, ly clasped her hands, as she whisper- was overboard quick as a flash. The

cold waters of the Neva caused him to ed: "Dick, Dick, I fear you have killed gasp for breath, while the child, weighhim."

ed down by her clothing, sank beneath the surface, a hoarse roar resounding "Killed him!" echoed the widow's son, as he hastily knelt and thrust his in Dick's ears as he, too, disappeared hand over Tom. Mason's heart. "My from view. Down, down amid the treacherous, God!" and Dick staggered to his feet. swirling tides of the Neva went the Jennie's eyes were fastened upon his. Years elapsed before she effaced from brave Dick, his hands clutching the outspreading clothing; then up, up, her memory the despair and horror with a terrible pressure on his heart, a

there depicted. wild commotion like the roar of a cat-In vain he tried to resuscitate the prostrate lad; not a single heart-throb aract resounding in his ears. A dozen hands proffered the aid so sorely needcould he detect.

ed, and Dick, still clinging to his little "Oh, Jennie," he groaned, "must hang, when I did not mean to do it? charge, was taken on board the yacht. But he is dead, dead-and I-oh, moth- He was partly conscious of the preser, mother, what will become of me? ence of a tall, majestic figure standing What will become of you? It will beside him; uniforms, ladies, and jewbreak her heart, and my father-my els danced before his eyes; an icy father, who is in heaven, look down on tightness tugged at his heart, then unconsciousness mercifully came to his your poor boy and forgive him!

"I must go, Jennie. I must get away, Oh, if I could only think, but I am a boy, friendless, poor boy, and-andgood-by Jennie; kiss mother for me, just like that. Tell her all about it, and be good to her. I shall never forget you. Say to her I will come back, some time, some time."

"A stowaway, did you say, Mr. Jenkins? Send him aft, sir, send him aft. He must be pretty well used up. We are two days out, and with a berth in the fore peak, with nothing to eat or drink, he must be nearly starved." Bluff Captain Bell thrust his hands deep into the pockets of his monkey jacket, glancing with a satisfied air aloft, where every stitch of canvas was performing its duty before the favoring

Orders came for the fleet to sail, and He was aroused from his pleasant Dick bade his friend and benefactor reveries by the hearty tones of the farewell. mate announcing the presence of the

"Well, Dick," and Captain Bell's stowaway, and Captain Bell took in at a glance the wretched figure before him, who with both hands was clinging feebly to the fife-rail of the mizzensword, epaulets, cocked hat, and an or-

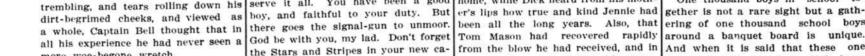
mast, swaying backwards and forwards der on your breast. With the friendwith every motion of the ship. It was ship of the czar to back you, it will be ing. the figure of a boy, weak from exhaus-

relief.

cabin of the Aurora.

tion, sea-sickness, and privation. A all plain sailing, I fancy. You came Long into the night the group re tangled mass of dark-brown hair sur- to me in rags, and you leave the old mained talking. Captain Bell learned mounted features ghastly pale, lips ship togged out like a lord. You de- the facts covering Dick's flight from trembling, and tears rolling down his serve it all. You have been a good home, while Dick heard from his moth-

bond."



more woe-begone wretch a week's time was visiting his accusreer. Good-by." In a few sharp questions the captain On swept the fleet, moving majestitomed haunts, while Dick was a wanascertained that the boy had run away cally from the harbor. One frigate derer on the broad ocean. and that his name was Richard Granlowered its white ensign emblazoned

ger. Briefly and not unkindly the old with a blue cross as she glided closely seaman told the lad that he did not like the manner in which he had come on alongside the American ship. The figboard. "But," he continued, "I shall ure of an old man stood on the quar-

not abuse simply because I have the ter-deck with uncovered head, the cold wind tossing his silvery locks about in folds of priceless laces, the gifts of the power to do so. Do the best you can. and you will find, after all, my lad, wild confusion. The form of a naval officer was seen in the mizzen-rigging, and gorgeous uniform and orders of his that there is many a worse home floating about than that offered by the old standing out clear as a silhouette

Aurora." So the boy was launched in his new profession. A new world was opened

member to deliver the package to my before him that went far to change the nother. I hope to meet you at my durrent of his thoughts, while the rouhome before the close of another year." tine duty left but little leisure for Dick A last wave of the hand, a longing, Granger to indulge in repining and

ingering glance, and Captain Bell regloomy forebodings. ired to his cabin to smoke, to ponder Captain Bell kept his word with the friendless stowaway, and on the Auro-

and muse, with great tears rolling ure for the domain of the czar, every ra Dick visited every quarter of the down his furrowed, weather-beaten detail connected with the story of the globe, until at the age of 22 he walked cheeks. A year rolled swiftly by, and the following his return, continued to be in attendance on the exposition, which the quarter-deck as chief mate. A good sailor and skilful navigator, his Aurora once more rode to her anchors the leading topic of conversation both patron viewed him with pride and sat- in a home port, with Captain Bell bustisfaction. But there was some mystery ling about, anxious to seize the first about the young mate, and honest old opportunity to acquit himself of the professor. "Yes, sir?" "If I have affords for agricultural education is usually essential to the full-measured of the small home-owner. Captain Bell could not fathom it. It errand with which he had been in-

against the gloomy horizon.

"Good-by, Captain Bell, dear old

friend!" came from the frigate. "Re-

Imperial Russian Navy." body any more. He has received all At a rapid pace the count proceeded form at Chicago will force a better n the direction of Widow Granger's the honor the state can give him, he platform at Baltimore. The Democratdoes not need the money, and we think ic party will have to keep up with the modest cottage. The stars gleamed and the graceful thing for him to do is to scintilated to in the clear firmament procession if it wants to win.

step down and out. If he does this above; in the distance the jingle of President Butler of Columbia, in his he will have a record of never having musical sleigh-bells and ring of joyous speech as temporary chairman of the been defeated for any office. If he laughter was borne onward by the Rochester convention yesterday, definstays in the race it is possible and frosty atmosphere. All seemed peace ed "the supreme issue of 1912" as "the and gladsome happiness as the count probable that he will be defeated as maintenance of our republican form of reached the gate leading to Mrs. Grana new generation of voters has grown government." This is incorrect. The ger's house. Removing his hat, and up since 1890 when he was at the battle for the maintenance of our rezenith of his power and he canno with eyes riveted upon the windows of publican form of government has been the front room, from which a light obtain the support of many of them ought and won. Mr. Roosevelt's third Many of his former supporters will gleamed, he murmured softly to himterm candidacy has collapsed. His desert him on account of his health patent-medicine remedies have been and will not stick to him for senti-"And behold! like the welcoming quivepudiated by the common sense of the

ment. The probabilities are that a American people; but the real issues Democrat will be elected presiden emain

and that the senate will be Democrat Popular discontent does not end with ic and it is very essential that this he downfall of Roosevelt's ambition or state be represented by two good with the repudiation of his spurious

Pushing the front door ajar, the count listened eagerly as the hum of wide-awake men that can take active nostrums. Tariff abuses, corporation part in its deliberations. Senator conversation reached his ears. He recabuses, financial abuses, court abuses Tillman would seriously imperil his ognized the deep, gruff tones of Captain boss rule and privilege entrenched be-Bell's voice, frequently intermingled health by entering a campaign and if hind the law-these are all vital queshe were defeated, it would likely tions grounded in real public wrongs. with others of a lighter and more musical cadence. The captain had related hasten his death. He has been of Mr. Roosevelt's campaign has shown

vorite grandchild of the czar's. He exgreat service to the state, no doub the incident of Dick's saving the life but he has been well compensated for pressed his gratitude in warm terms, of the czar's grandchild, and the reit, and he should remember that one and made me a proposition to enter ward that had followed the accomplishignored. They must be dealt with, or his service as captain. I accepted, ment of the gallant deed, when a slight of the reasons for getting rid of the knowing you would not object to this. noise from the door opening into the "old war horse" Wade Hampton was my great opportunity in life. He took declining years and bad health caused plain little sitting-room caused the illusions about that .- New York World. from his breast a decoration and pinwidow to glance quickly in that direchim to be of no service to the state.

Betrayed by "Betsy."-"It is a curined it to mine. Here is my uniform; We can really see no sane sense for tion. A tall form with bearded face, my frigate is moored astern of the Aumet her startled gaze; her heart throbreturning the senator and we insist rora; and oh, Captain Bell, my heart is that the graceful thing for him to do hed violently as she started impulsively from her chair, and Dick Granger is to retire with thanks to the people lage barber shop, "that a man, after he adequate use of machinery and greater too full to say more. I owe it all to of the state for the many times he has has run an engine a long time, comes horse power. "Statistics show," he you and your kind heart. God bless clasped his mother in his arms as he you for it all, and the helping hand whispered, "I have come home, mothbeen honored. it rational and even highly moral beyou extended to a poor, friendless vag-As to his successor we are not pre er, home at last, and there shall be no more partings."

pared to say much. We do not be- havior. lieve either of those positively an-"'She's a little mite cranky now an Jennie Raymond, who was present next engaged the attention of the widnounced will fill the bill. We know a

most capable man for the place but 'and I have to coax her up a bit, but'ow's son, and although she blushed he will not consent to allow his name here he always begins to swell with erage between three and four horses deeply as Dick kissed her flushed coice trembled with emotion, "so our cheek, she was too sensible a woman to be used. The time is ripe for a real cruising together has ended in this. to shrink from one in whose welfare good man to come out into the open. I can trust her!""

You are a full-fledged Russian, with she was so deeply interested. Her The question is who will it be ?- Abhonest blue eyes met his brown ones beville Medium. with a language there was no mistak-

CORN CLUB BOYS.

One thousand boys in school

ering of one thousand school

gether is not a rare sight but a gath-

around a banquet board is unique.

thousand boys are Corn Club boys,

from all the corn growing states

This is the plan of the national ex

southern states by the Federal farm

council of Columbia, where the corn

exposition is to be held next January

has announced that the city will give

a banquet to the one thousand or more

The school will consist of the two

econd place in the Boy's Corn club

contests The school will open of

Monday, January 27, 1913, the open-

is much more than a mere corn show.

It is a great national agricultural ex-

position, not being confined to corn

all parts of the country who will be of wealth.

boys attending the exposition school.

One Thousand of Them to Be Enter tained at Banquet.

what a sight it will be!

the south, the ideal being a great de-Why It Has Gone Up-What the Farnocracy of thrifty, home-owning small mer May Expect.

armers, and that taxes should be reduced on small land holdings and in-Why has cotton gone to ten cents? heritances, was the argument presented in an address before the Southern Commercial congress at Nashville Tennessee, recently, by Editor Clar cents if they make another bumper ence Poe of the Progressive Farmer. Mr. Poe was one of the two principal as farmers should be warned against, speakers in the Seaman A. Knapp me-

and warned promptly? morial meeting and declared that Dr. We believe the latter explanation Knapp's great aim was to make the ruis the correct one. Let us present one ral south a vast democracy of small significant fact to prove our belief. It home owners. To this end Mr. Poe was brought to our attention by Mr. advocated the English graduated tax J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, N. C., a

on the unearned increment in rural or former executive committeeman of urban land holdings, with holdings of the Southern Cotton association and when a charge of dynamite has ex-\$1,000 or less wholly exempted, and a now state organizer in cotton crop reheavy tax on inheritances of \$5,000 or over, likewise graduated. "We must tax small holdings less, great holdings more," he declared, "the gains of thrift and industry less, the gains of chance or inheritance more." He also urged by no means assume that they can the immigration of thrifty northern tics that these issues can no longer be and western white farmers, declaring excessively large proportion of negro worse than Roosevelt. Let there be no population and solve the problem of an beyond their present needs-believing,

In the first part of his speech Mi Poe dealt with the increase of agriculous fact," said the old railroad engi- tural incomes in the south and declareneer to the patient waiters in the vil- ed that they could be doubled by the the markets all over the country. In proof Mr. Brown showed us a to regard it as human and to expect of said, "that farm workers in three typical south central states average less than one horse and cultivate only sixteen acres per capita, earning \$189 a

then,' you'll hear a man say tolerantly, year, whereas the farm workers in European and Canadian, had bought three typical north central states av-5,450,000 bales American cotton, while last year they only took 7,746,pride--there's nothing mean about her. per capita and cultivate sixty-three 000 bales for the whole twelve acres apiece, earning \$663 a year." months.

Coming directly to what he pro-"That's true, every word," a listener burst out, eagerly, "and when he finds nounced the more important part of she's gone back on him he doesn't know Dr. Knapp's work, Mr. Poe said: "Put in a single sentence, D what to make of it. He's hurt and mortified clean through. There was Knapp's one great aim, his dominant old Davis, who ran on the East Bridge- ideal was to make the south a vast de-

water branch of the Old Colony. You mocracy of thrifty, home-owning far-The engineer nodded, declares the vine and fig-tree. I wish every farmer

bulletin, 'The Causes of Southern Ru-"Then you know the story better than ral Conditions and the Small Farm as farmers expect if they make a big driven back through the barrel of the do. You tell it," urged the listener. an Important Remedy.' To break up crop this year with mills well stocked machine, wrecking it and usually "The details don't matter," the engi-

our great plantations into smaller holdwith our big 1911 crop? In view of these facts, Mr. Brown neer responded, readily enough, "but ings and to encourage and help every made the following pertinent comment one day the old man's hand was crush- farmer to own his own home; this he which we heartily endorse: position management, to have a great ed-by his own engine, one that he had regarded as the most important task "'The foreign spinner has not forexposition school for prize winners in handled without accident for years, ahead of the leaders of southern agri-

gotten the experience of a few years the county contests of the Boy's Corn We fixed him up the best we could, and culture. To use Dr. Knapp's own lanago, when a crop of 14,000,000 bales caused a slump in prices from about "'A prosperous, intelligent and con-

16 cents (during the Sully campaign) demonstration bureau, and the city feel it, although it was plain enough tented rural population is essential to to about 61 cents, following the next that he was pretty well broke up. But our national perpetuity. The world's year by the tremendous reduction in when we started him off home he turn- experience has shown that the best way to secure this is to encourage the diacreage and a series of four years of

"'Boys,' he said, and it was the first vision of all the lands into small farms, word he'd spoken, 'boys, I wouldn't each owned and operated by one fametition of this action on the part of do?" the southern cotton growers, and it

"My own conviction, ladies and gen would be suicidal on our part to distlemen, is that in this statement Dr. He Had His Suspicion .- One day a Knapp showed the vision of a prophet appoint them.

armer member of the Ohio house dis- and a seer. It will be well indeed for Reduction and diversification are fond mother, had taken their depart- ing day of the exposition, and will played, inadvertently, a large roll of the south if we do not come too late to continue one week. The faculty will bills in the Neil house lobby. A fel- listen to the warning of England two recent small advance in prices will not by this time"----consist of agricultural experts from low member gazed in awe at the show centuries ago against the hastening ills

ool the southern people. Unless there to which any land is subject 'where "I just sold a drove of hogs," ex- wealth accumulates and men decay," plained the farmer member rather and where princes and lords flourish at the expense of a bold peasantry. The observing one was thoughtful. Even now the duty of the hour as I #6" "Waiter," said the absent-minded alone, and the opportunity which it He did not reply for the half-minute conceive it, is to lighten the burdens

cal diversification, then stagnation in all lines of business is sure to follow." Ten-cent prices now are certainly to guarantee of these figures at sell-

ing time next fall. Keep your cotton

"Sure!" said his honor, forgetting "The methods I suggest are new in acreage down to the point you have

It is the problem of our statesmen, our sular Agent Long delivered a request, editors, our agricultural leaders, our said to have been signed by President men of vision in every profession and Taft for a stay of execution until a more thorough investigation could be made.

This plea was rejected almost instantly, to the great indignation of American residents in Parral. Their protests against an act which they declare was against the rules of all civilized warfare, reached the ears of the is it because of a normal demand from rebel leader, but served only to stiffen spinners-so natural and normal a de- his attitude. His letter to Mr. Letcher mand that farmers may expect 10 Friday plainly indicates his resentment against what he considers undue intercrop? Or is it due to such conditions ference by Americans, including the consuls, in affairs of the rebellion

DYNAMITE ACCIDENTS.

Some of the Stuff May Remain After a Charge is Exploded.

"It is generally supposed that ploded it is all over-that the entire duction movement. Mr. Brown was charge has been consumed," said a in the Progressive Farmer office a few "hard rock" man who has worked in days ago and strongly emphasized the mines, in river tunnels and other fact that although cotton has gone to places where high explosives are used. 10 cents now, our cotton growers must "This supposition, however, is not cor-"Sometimes rect," he continued. plant another crop and get 10 cents particles of dynamite will be blown next fall. The truth is, that the spin- out with the broken rock. Then it beners believe that the farmers are re- comes a menace to the workmen. It ducing their acreage, and on that as- is a favorite practice of men who are sumption they are now buying largely waiting or resting to sit on a pile of 'muck.' as the broken rock is called, as they do, that the reduced acreage and to jab into it with a pick or a will mean higher prices next fall. candlestick or some other steel thing, This explains the recent advance in much the same as a Yankee will whittle while he talks or thinks. If the steel strikes one of these bits of elegram he had just received from dynamite that has not gone off, be-Secretary Hester, of the New Orleans cause the glycerin in it has started to cotton exchange, reporting that for run or because a fragment of it has the first six months of this cotton been crystallized, there will be an exyear (it runs from September 1 to plosion. The chances are that not one September 1) the foreign spinners, of the group of men sitting around

will escape injury." Another frequent cause of acdents is that sometimes when the dynamite explodes and tears out the rock a small quantity of it will be left This demonstrates conclusively that in the bottom of the drill hole, unthese foreign manufacturers are buy- affected by the shock. If the drill hole that remains happens to be pointing for future needs. In consequence, there will be a corresponding de- ed in the right direction a lazy drill creased demand from them next fall, runner is likely to take advantage of and if a big crop is made, prices will it and start his new hole in the old mers, every man sitting under his own certainly go away below 10 cents. In one in order to make a record or fact, if prices went below 10 cents last save time. The instant his drill com-Youth's Companion. "For fifty-five in the south could get and read his fall, when mills were hungry and even mences to thud on the unexploded famishing for lint, what must our dynamite it goes off. The steel is many mysterious deaths that have been attributed to 'missed shots.' New York Press.

> What Would the Lawyer Do?-The damage suit was on, says Harper's Weekly, and Bildad's chauffeur was

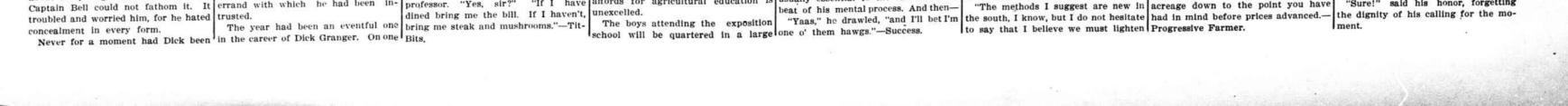
testifying for the plaintiff. "Now, you say," said the pomp lawyer for the defendant, "that at this point the two cars traveling at the 12 to 14-cent cotton. The foreign rate of thirty miles an hour came tobuyer is evidently anticipating a rap- gether head-on. Then what did you

> The witness gazed wearily at his questioner.

"Why." he said. "I turned to my wife, who was brushing the baby's the only salvation of the south in this hair in the tonneau, and I said that I crisis, and I sincerely hope that the thought the dumplings must be done

"Bang!" interrupted the judge's is a reduction in acreage and practi- gavel. "Stenographer," said his honor, "strike that fool answer from the record."

"And doesn't the question go with it, judge?" asked the witness meek-



knew Davis?"

ears," he said.

whimper; in fact, he didn't seem to

have believed it of Betsy! I wouldn't ily.'

ed to us with tears in his eyes.

hastily and confusedly.

clubs, as conducted throughout the he bore all our fumbling without a guage:

boy

boys in each county winning first and have believed it of the old girl!""