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Thursday, March 27, 1913.

The Easter parade in Bamberg was very creditable for such a poor community as this appears to be when you undertake to raise money for some public enterprise.

Senator Tillman says he is holding his nose every time he thinks of the situation in South Carolina. Well we fellows who have to live here all the time and stand it ought to receive a great deal of sympathy.

HOMES FOR THE CABINET.

Are Not Men of Wealth and Will Live in Moderate Houses.

The members of the Wilson cabinet are in the main not men of large means, and it is presumed that they will live in moderate houses, and at once the administration will start off with some diminished prestige, says a Washington letter. One may deprecate the idea, but social prominence and ability to keep up a great menage adds greatly to the influence of a cabinet official, and the country likes that sort of thing of a cabinet official, however illogical and almost improper this interest of the people may seem.

Most members of the Taft administration lived in fine houses, and especially Secretary Knox, Secretary Meyer, Secretary MacVeagh (who lived in a veritable palace), Attorney General Wickersham and Secretary Stimson. Postmaster General Hitchcock and Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Agriculture, live in hotels, and Secretary Fisher and Secretary Nagel lived in rather modest houses.

A cabinet minister is expected to live with some pretense even to the grandiose. His wife has to hold receptions, which are always largely patronized, and they require room. The fashionable part of the city must be sought. And rents of this type of homes come very high, and the cost of their up-keep, to say nothing of the engagement of a large retinue of servants is considerable. Yet a cabinet member receives only \$12,000 a year. If a cabinet official attempts anything in a social way worth while his salary of \$12,000 a year is but a drop in the bucket. Much is expected, especially from the Secretary of State, who has to head the diplomatic corps, but he receives no more compensation than do the other members of the cabinet.

It has been suggested that Congress provide the members of the cabinet with proper homes. And, indeed, this should be done. Then a man of moderate means could afford to serve his country without seeming to be a "tightwad." He would not have to bow his head in shame.

A bill to provide cabinet officials with homes was fathered in the last session by Congressman Ayer, of New York. The matter is worth agitating. How much to expend on such a home for a cabinet official will have to be carefully weighed and then architecturally they ought not to be all alike, as the homes of army officers at a fort. That would be impossible because it would be ridiculous.

And the Vice President should have an official home. Vice President Marshall has been forced to take apartments at a hotel because his salary would not permit him to maintain a suitable house in Washington and another at his home in Indiana. The last three Vice Presidents, Sherman, Fairbanks and Hobart, were all men of very large means, and they spent fortunes in maintaining a social prestige in Washington.

TRICKS OF FEMALE SPIES.

Beware of the Woman Who Lives by Purloining Secrets.

"I have little doubt that you were entrapped by a woman, who was nothing but the agent of some foreign person engaged in this traffic, and that you were ingeniously entrapped and fell. Because I think that I may show some sort of leniency but it can not be light; the crime is too great."

It was in these impressive terms that Mr. Justice Darling addressed George Herbert Parrott, formerly a gunner in the navy, who a week or two ago was found guilty of communicating naval secrets to a foreign country, before sentencing him to four years penal servitude, says The New York Telegraph. There is little doubt that Parrott was fooled by a woman spy, whom he accidentally met at a music hall and who passed on the information which she got from him to those by whom she was employed.

It is a striking illustration of the tricks and wiles of female adventuress who lives by scheming to steal state secrets, a character which not a few people consider exists only in minds of imaginative novelists.

As a matter of fact, this is only one of several instances which have come to light of late years showing what a prominent part women actually play in the secret service of the different countries. There was a notable affair at Shoeburyness four years ago. A German governess took up her residence at Southend, three miles from Shoeburyness, and said that she was employed by several prominent families to give lessons in German to the children in their own homes.

This naturally took her out and about a great deal. Then came periodical visits to Shoeburyness, where she formed an acquaintance with a young naval officer whom she told the people with whom she resided she was going to marry. As a matter of fact this was quite untrue, but it helped her to keep up an acquaintanceship which might otherwise have looked suspicious.

It was the naval officer himself who gave the game away. For a week or two he associated with the girl, but her inquisitiveness concerning the guns and naval matters generally made him somewhat suspicious and these suspicions were confirmed when she ultimately suggested that for certain plans there was a good sum of money awaiting him. The result was that he promptly informed his superior officer and the young woman was persuaded that the country was a somewhat unhealthy one for her to live in.

In regard to naval spies, however, we are not better than our neighbors, and while foreign countries have hundreds of spies in this country endeavoring to ferret out war secrets, we have ours in their countries engaged in the same work.

The spies are supplied with all the money they want, but they can expect no assistance from their respective governments should they be caught and they are fully alive to the condition when they enter upon the secret service for their country.

In military warfare women spies are very much in evidence. Indeed, their value is fully recognized by our leading soldiers, and Lord Wolseley actually states in his well known "Soldier's Pocket Book," "the purloiner of Leicester Square could supply our arms with spies...All should be petted and made a great deal of, being liberally paid and large rewards given, when they supply any really valuable information." During the South African war women were employed as spies by this country to a very large extent. Disguised as nurses in the field hospitals, they exercised their art of fascination over captured and wounded Boers, and thus secured much valuable information.

Short, sharp and merciless was the treatment meted out to a young Russian woman belonging to one of the leading families in St. Petersburg who during the Russo-Japanese war, endeavored to worm naval secrets from a young Japanese officer in Manchuria after he had fallen victim to her fascinating ways.

Forgetting all loyalty and patriotism the young officer in his infatuation agreed to furnish her with certain plans and facts concerning the guns and the movements of the Japanese army and navy, which he had special facilities for acquiring; but his intention was betrayed by a fellow officer who had obtained some inkling of what was going on. The result was that both the young officer and the woman mysteriously disappeared one day, and have never been seen or heard of since. Their fate can be easily surmised.

Some time ago the trial took place at Toulon of a young woman named Jeanne Renee, alias Bourg, who was accused of having induced certain naval officers to reveal secrets to her regarding French submarines, which she intended to sell to a foreign power.

DEATH AND DAMAGE BY STORM.

Widespread Disaster Reported from Many Western States.

Chicago, March 23.—A terrific wind storm, causing widespread destruction and loss of life and practically wrecking the already demoralized telegraph service, raged over the Central West and Middle States late today. Reports from Nebraska, Kansas and Iowa and Indiana indicate heavy damage but owing to the wrecking of the telegraph lines the reports are fragmentary and lacking in detail.

Omaha, Berlin, Ashland and Yutan, Nebraska—the latter towns near Omaha—Marshalltown, Ackley, Carroll and Woodbine, Iowa; Terre Haute, Ind. and Abilene, Kas. are places from which scattering messages carrying the news of grave destruction have been received. The death list at Yutan, was placed at fifteen and the injured at fifty.

For more than four hours no word was received from the stricken city of Omaha. Late bulletins report that half the city was swept by a tornado. All wires were down and Berlin, a neighboring town, was said to be in flames. The message was received over a single long distance telephone wire, which worked at intervals.

Terre Haute, Ind., suffered severely. Scores of persons were injured, an unknown number were overwhelmed in the ruins of houses blown down by the wind and many fires were started in different parts of the city.

First reports from Nebraska were that the towns visited by the storm had been wiped out and that the wreckage was on fire. Trains loaded with rescuers, nurses and physicians were struggling toward the scene, being compelled to feel their way without running orders, owing to paralysis of the telegraphic service.

The loss of life and property in Iowa was less severe, according to messages from the swept district. Dust storms, rain, hail and tremendous electrical disturbance prevailed over Kansas and Nebraska the greater part of the day. Where railroad service was impossible motor cars were pressed into service and surgeons and supplies were rushed to the wrecked towns at the best speed possible over the washed-out roads.

Robbing the Hogs.

A man, riding a wheel along a country road in late October, dismounted, climbed a fence and picked up an apple from the ground. He stood eating it, when a farmer came along.

"Say, what're you doin' there?" the latter asked.

The man, alarmed for the moment, apologized and said he had picked the apple up from the ground.

"Wall," half snorted the farmer, coming closer to the man, "don't you go doin' anything like that ag'in. Und'stand?"

"All right, sir," said the man, "but I thought it would be all right because I found the apple on the ground."

"Wall, that's jist it," cried the farmer. "Them apples on the ground is fur my hogs. If you want one you pick it off the tree."—Harper's Magazine.

Up-to-date line of stationery just received at Herald Book Store.

er. The young woman, for she was only 21, was an opium slave, and it was while in an opium den in Toulon that she first attempted to bribe a naval mechanic named Julien, employed in the central workshops of the fleet, to be her accomplice. Julien, fortunately for himself, promptly reported the matter to his superior, and the result was that the woman was arrested.

Then there was the case of a young and beautiful woman named Peterson, who was arrested at Kiel, in Germany, on suspicion of being a French spy. Passing as a teacher of languages, she had entered into a love affair with a non-commissioned officer named Dietrich, of the explosive department, for the purpose of inducing him to reveal important German naval secrets. She had, by the exercise of her arts of fascination, attained complete ascendancy over the young fellow, who was found to be supplying her with the formula for the manufacture of German smokeless powder and the situation of port mines.

The attention of the authorities was first drawn to her by the ample funds she always seemed to have at her disposal. Then there was the case of the notorious French beauty known as La Belle Lison, who fascinated a young French officer, Lieut. Ullmo, who, in order to obtain the means to gratify the extravagant whims of this woman, had sold some of his country's secrets to a foreign power. He was discovered, put on trial, and the most important witness against him was the young woman who had ruined him. In the end he was disgraced publicly, and sentenced to imprisonment for life.

Spring Goods

Ladies' Shoes. Our Selby Oxfords and Pumps arrived Monday of

this week. We have Tans, Patent Leathers, Gun Metals, Suedes, and Whites, all of the very latest styles and best quality.

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