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Before casting your ballot for any candidate make it your business to study the man and his history. Don't take the man to be all right because Mr. — told you so.

The candidacy of Mr. A. B. Elliott for city treasurer is meeting with favor, especially among the younger element of the party; his qualification for the place to which he aspires is not questioned by any one.

When a public officer is elected by a people who hold the balance of electoral power, he should not forget that he owes them recognition. It is not altogether as you for Mr. — for officer, but is Mr. — for you and the race with whom you are identified.

In the selection of candidates for offices of public trust those chosen should be men of not only executive ability, but men of public spirit and enterprise. Men whom are willing to live and let live; men whom are willing to contribute to the deserving and needy.

Mrs. A. V. Miner of 404 West Fifth st. is doing more each day to solve the Negro problem than one thousand political meetings. She is a business woman of whom the race should be justly proud. She represents real estate to the value of \$15,000 or \$20,000, and advises all persons of her race to give more time to the accumulation and saving of money and less to politics. —Kansas City, Mo., Conservator.

Died—At Troy, Kan., Dudley Miller, aged 65. He was an old and highly respected citizen of Des Moines, having lived here for more than thirty years. At the close of the war he removed from Missouri to this city. He was an organizer and member of St. Paul's A. M. E. church. He leaves a sister an only relative, and a host of friends who mourn his death. At the time of his death he was visiting his sister in Troy.

Afro-American should not be afraid or backward about making demands that worthy and competent members of their race be given clerical and other positions in the city, county and state offices. At a glance it may be seen that there is not a just equalization and distribution of such officers. The race is industrious, honest and intelligent and demands positions. Menial labor is honorable, but if one's ability calls him to a higher plain he should not be content with such a position.

Isaac Murphy, the well known colored jockey, died Wednesday, February 19, at his home in Lexington, Ky. He had been ill for several days, but no serious result had been looked for. Death was due to a disease. Murphy was undoubtedly the best colored jockey in the world who has ever been seen. He was a member of the Grand National Jockey Club, and at one time he was worth \$200,000. He was a member of the Grand National Jockey Club, and at one time he was worth \$200,000. He was a member of the Grand National Jockey Club, and at one time he was worth \$200,000.

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Extract from a recent sermon by Bishop Armett in Washington, D. C.

One of the most perplexing questions of the age in which we live is how to solve what is commonly called the "Negro Problem." One of the mistakes made by those who prescribe is they forget to ask the patient his symptoms, and have him explain his condition instead of the condition of his nurse. The south claims to be the nurse and the north the physician and the Negro the patient. In order to give a true diagnosis of the case the physician ought to feel the moral, social and political pulse of the patient; to examine the tongue and then to take the temperature by inquiring of the nurse and local community. There must be a beginning by changing the sentiment in favor of the Negro at the bedside, for the home training is the one which lasts the longest and has the greatest effect upon the life of individuals. It the mothers and fathers will take the right stand in relation to this problem, and instruct their children to respect the Negro children; if they will cease to tell their children when they are disobedient that the black man will get them, and thus make the Negro the "scare crow," the softer feeling thus created will continue throughout life.

If the Christian mothers will cease forbidding their children playing with the Negro children, that will help us and help solve the mysterious problem. If the fathers in giving their instructions, religious and moral, will include all races of men, when he says "Our Father, who art in Heaven," if he will let his children know that he means the Indian, the Mongolian, the Negro, the Maylayan and the Anglo-Saxon as the children of God, he will do much toward the solution and laying the basis of all family, civil and political government by teaching the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man. If the 1,365,939 teachers in our 123,173 Sunday schools were to do their duty to the 9,618,432 pupils, within less than ten years the sentiment against the Negro would change and pass before our lives like the cloud before the rising sun.

While instructing in the truths of the bible they should teach one Abraham, who became the father of all the faithful, of all races, through all time. One heavenly choir, one natal song, peace on earth to all men; not white men, not red men, not black men, but to all men.

If the 111,000 preachers would proclaim from their pulpits that God hath made of one blood all nations of men to dwell upon the face of the earth and hath determined the times before appointed and the bounds of their habitation, then the 20,000,000 men, women and children who follow in their footsteps would change their sentiments with reference to the Negro, and look upon him as a brother. It is the duty of the American pulpit to teach the unity of God and the unity of men; to cleverly present the distinction of the iron rule, the silver rule and the golden rule, in human conduct and life. They ought to show that salvation is universal; that right is no respecter of persons or color, that justice is blind and love is color blind.

If we could get the christian ministers of America, the Protestant ministers, to join with the Catholics, in teaching the equality of man before the law, we would not need any legislation to secure our rights and privileges, but love; christian love would bind man to man, nation to nation, and all would be bound to the cross of the crucified one, and move forward and upward and heavenward, and the problem would be solved beneath the shadow of the cross in the presence of the conqueror of death and the grave. The principal battles of human-

### HEART TO HEART TALK.

We are pleased to note the interest manifested recently in the development of the youthful mind. We cannot begin too early to impress upon the child that well developed mind—refined manners and pretty accomplishments make the best men and women today. Each time the child is called upon to perform some little part in public, he gains that ease of manner which is characteristic of the well bred man or woman.

To further show what the juvenile mind is capable of grasping with a few hours careful training, I call attention to a little 5-year-old, in the person of Ethel, Stewart. Though she is unable to read, she has with the assistance of her sister, committed the "Tea Party Song," consisting of five verses. Ethel has a number of other songs in her repertoire, which she renders equally as well.

The writer had the pleasure of meeting a score or more of the very brightest of little folks recently at the Riding Hood rehearsals; and the parents who witnessed the manner in which the "little men and little women" acquitted themselves may justly feel proud.

Educate and refine our youth, and we have the race problem half solved. Do not let them lose sight of the fact that it is better to have the mind stored with quotations from our best writers, than with stories of vulgarity and superstition.

Do you ever wonder why Tom, Dick, or Harry does not act the role of lover like he did "before we were married?" Do you ever place the blame on yourself? Do you ever try to win his admiration as before? My dear, find out what gown he likes best, what colors he likes best, in what style he likes your hair, and see if you cannot keep him loverlike. Do not fail to greet him pleasantly, even if Mamie or Francis has tried your patience all day to the uttermost. There are a score of things which might be said on this question, but you know there is a time-tried proverb beginning "A hint to the wise," etc.

### ROSES IN PROFESSION.

Roses are liberally used on nearly all occasions and hats preparing for spring, and there is no doubt that, by means of flowers and trimmings, the breadth will be greater than recently towards the face. The roses employed are not by any means always of a natural tone; some are mauve and some are gray and many are shot. There is an attempt now to bring in wider strings, and one of the new models made of black velvet had wide moire ribbon strings, and no other trimming but a double Alsatian bow, the velvet being richly embroidered. Moire is resuscitating, and we shall, without doubt, return to our old love.

### SOME PEOPLE SAY

Plain women are too apt to look upon one who possesses a handsome face as their enemy. The world no longer regards delicate health and not knowing how to do domestic work is a sign of refinement. Talk is cheap, it can be made to order, especially when there is a pretty face to inspire it. A happy heart is better than a heavy purse, although the latter is more convenient. Don't allow the present to go unnoticed by preparing for the future. It is not the great things, but the little things one does in life that gives the true indication of character. There are two kinds of hypocrites—the bold and the humble, and the humble ones are the worst. RAMONA.

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There are indications that President Kruger may go to London with Secretary Chamberlain. But if the head and front of the Boers does this it is said that he will also call at Paris and Berlin in order to have a little talk about current events and show a spirit of independence.

It has been made plain that the general impression at first gained regarding the Waller case was an erroneous one and that France was perfectly justified in dealing with him as she did. He violated the laws to which he was responsible, and his punishment, in view of his offense, must be regarded as a light one.

Police authorities of London, England, are congratulating themselves on the remarkable absence of crime in the metropolis during the last year. The annual police report, which will shortly be issued, shows that London, in its freedom from the effects of the law-breakers, has made a record which may well be envied by the governments of all large cities.

A singular thing happened in Chicago the other day. A little dog ran up and down the street without any very apparent object in view. Some hysterical person shrieked "mad dog" and there was a panic and riot, at the end of which the dog was dead. That, of course, is not singular. It happens every day, or, at least, as often as the hysterical person comes across a dog that neglects to give a clear and reassuring account of himself.

The outlook for the phosphate business in South Carolina is gloomy, so the state phosphate inspector reports. Prices are lower than ever before; the working force has been reduced and the wages cut. One of the largest companies has suspended operations. The causes assigned for the depression are a decreased demand, and the growing competition of phosphates from Algeria, from Venezuela, from the French District of Somme and from Tennessee.

William Hardy, an Unmarried Man and Wealthy, Kills Himself.
MARSHALSTOWN, February 24.—For the past week William Hardy, a farmer near Green Mountain, has acted strangely.

The old saw that love is blind has again been illustrated in a most striking manner. A young lady of Santa Rosa, Cal., the daughter of a multi-millionaire, the belle of the town and the recipient of a quart of proposals daily, refused each and all of the silk-hose suitors that were bringing valentines for her and fell madly in love with a drug clerk. The other day the drug clerk secured a job in St. Louis, whereupon Miss Hellness packs her handbox and elopes with her dispensing lover. The mere fact of an heiress taking up with a drug clerk is enough evidence of blindness. Any girl that lives in a flat can have a drug clerk for a beau, and why an heiress should take up with one is inconceivable enough in itself, but coupled with the fact that she eloped with him to St. Louis the evidence of sad blindness is overwhelming.

London's lord mayor has to put on three suits of clothes in talking office. He wears a wide-sleeved, velvet-faced, fur-trimmed robe of purple silk rep on presenting himself to the lord chancellor at Westminster; this he uses afterward as a police magistrate. For his show he wears a robe of superfine scarlet broadcloth, faced with sable fur and lined with pearl satin; this he must wear when greeting the judges at the Old Bailey and on all saints' days. The dress for evening and formal receptions is a black damask satin robe, embroidered with silver gilt. Under the robe he wears a velvet coat and knee breeches. The robes are a perquisite of the office and cost \$1,000. The chain of office has on it diamonds worth \$600,000, and each lord mayor must give bonds for its safe return on receiving it. When the queen passes through the city a fourth robe is necessary, but, as that seldom happens, it is bought only when the occasion arises.

Two privates from Fort Omaha went down to Sarpy county, Neb., and indulged in a ten-round old-style prize fight the other night for a big purse. That's why they are now in the guard house and accounts for the present great agitation in army circles.

Ira Follen of Lamont, Mo., is now spending twenty days in the village calaboose for having sold a pound of candy on Sunday. You, who occasionally do an odd job on the Sabbath, consider poor Ira's fate, and at this season of the year, too!

Michigan is not the only state in the union where the farmers are aroused to the necessity of looking a little more closely after their interests in the administration of state affairs. In Illinois they are doing what they can with rallies and resolutions.

Sir William Vernon-Harcourt struck straight out from the shoulder when he characterized Lord Salisbury's Armenian policy as an "unparalleled confusion of diplomatic insolvency and national agency."

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MORE GRAVE ROBBING.
A Trunk Delivered at Des Moines Contains Two Dead Bodies.
DES MOINES, February 23.—Blood was seen coming from a trunk which arrived at the Rock Island depot from Council Bluffs. Suspicion was at once aroused and the police awaited the arrival of the owner.

There are some detectives who cling to the theory that Pearl Bryan killed herself. What we would like to have these sleuths explain is why the girl followed up suicide by decapitating herself.

There are indications that President Kruger may go to London with Secretary Chamberlain. But if the head and front of the Boers does this it is said that he will also call at Paris and Berlin in order to have a little talk about current events and show a spirit of independence.

It has been made plain that the general impression at first gained regarding the Waller case was an erroneous one and that France was perfectly justified in dealing with him as she did. He violated the laws to which he was responsible, and his punishment, in view of his offense, must be regarded as a light one.

Police authorities of London, England, are congratulating themselves on the remarkable absence of crime in the metropolis during the last year. The annual police report, which will shortly be issued, shows that London, in its freedom from the effects of the law-breakers, has made a record which may well be envied by the governments of all large cities.

William Hardy, an Unmarried Man and Wealthy, Kills Himself.
MARSHALSTOWN, February 24.—For the past week William Hardy, a farmer near Green Mountain, has acted strangely.

The old saw that love is blind has again been illustrated in a most striking manner. A young lady of Santa Rosa, Cal., the daughter of a multi-millionaire, the belle of the town and the recipient of a quart of proposals daily, refused each and all of the silk-hose suitors that were bringing valentines for her and fell madly in love with a drug clerk. The other day the drug clerk secured a job in St. Louis, whereupon Miss Hellness packs her handbox and elopes with her dispensing lover. The mere fact of an heiress taking up with a drug clerk is enough evidence of blindness. Any girl that lives in a flat can have a drug clerk for a beau, and why an heiress should take up with one is inconceivable enough in itself, but coupled with the fact that she eloped with him to St. Louis the evidence of sad blindness is overwhelming.

London's lord mayor has to put on three suits of clothes in talking office. He wears a wide-sleeved, velvet-faced, fur-trimmed robe of purple silk rep on presenting himself to the lord chancellor at Westminster; this he uses afterward as a police magistrate. For his show he wears a robe of superfine scarlet broadcloth, faced with sable fur and lined with pearl satin; this he must wear when greeting the judges at the Old Bailey and on all saints' days. The dress for evening and formal receptions is a black damask satin robe, embroidered with silver gilt. Under the robe he wears a velvet coat and knee breeches. The robes are a perquisite of the office and cost \$1,000. The chain of office has on it diamonds worth \$600,000, and each lord mayor must give bonds for its safe return on receiving it. When the queen passes through the city a fourth robe is necessary, but, as that seldom happens, it is bought only when the occasion arises.

Two privates from Fort Omaha went down to Sarpy county, Neb., and indulged in a ten-round old-style prize fight the other night for a big purse. That's why they are now in the guard house and accounts for the present great agitation in army circles.

Ira Follen of Lamont, Mo., is now spending twenty days in the village calaboose for having sold a pound of candy on Sunday. You, who occasionally do an odd job on the Sabbath, consider poor Ira's fate, and at this season of the year, too!

Michigan is not the only state in the union where the farmers are aroused to the necessity of looking a little more closely after their interests in the administration of state affairs. In Illinois they are doing what they can with rallies and resolutions.

Sir William Vernon-Harcourt struck straight out from the shoulder when he characterized Lord Salisbury's Armenian policy as an "unparalleled confusion of diplomatic insolvency and national agency."

DAVENPORT CATASTROPHE.

Government Drawbridge Goes Down—The Rock Island Bridge.
DAVENPORT, February 26.—A movement in the ice in the Mississippi carried out 108 feet of the draw span of the government bridge supported by trestle work while undergoing repairs. The bridge is a heavy double decker used by the Rock Island railway, whose traffic is indefinitely blocked. The wires were carried away and telegraph and telephone communication was interfered with. The entire Davenport street railway system was shut down.

Judge Hays Dead.
KNOXVILLE, February 26.—Hon. E. R. Hays died today as the result of an illness lasting only a week and which was caused by a ride after a heated argument. Mr. Hays was about 50 years of age. He served a short term in congress, succeeding Hon. E. H. Conger, appointed minister to Brazil. As a man he was much respected and was an able lawyer.

Gored to Death by a Bull.
COUNCIL BLUFFS, February 27.—John E. Metcalf, a farmer living three miles east of town, died from injuries received from a Jersey bull. The animal got him down in the barnyard and gored him ten minutes before he was rescued. He was an old soldier, with wealthy connections in Baltimore.

Boies Declines.
DES MOINES, February 25.—Ex-Governor Boies has written a letter to the Leader in which he says he cannot consent to be considered a candidate for the democratic presidential nomination.

Fire at Allerton.
ALBERTON, February 25.—A bad fire in this city destroyed fourteen buildings at a loss of about \$20,000. It is believed the burned district will be built up in the spring.

BREVITIES.
A disastrous freight wreck occurred on the Burlington road, near Woodburn, a few days ago. A freight train parted and ran together, derailing and demolishing about twenty coal cars.

At Avoca recently the jury in the case of "Tip" Cuppy, charged with assault upon United States Special Pension Examiner E. C. Brown, found the defendant guilty of assault with intent to inflict great bodily injury.

Judge C. F. Couch, of Waterloo, died on the 15th after an illness of seven weeks. There had been an affection of the heart and stomach for two years and this resulted in his death. He was about 31 years old. He was elected district judge in 1882 and served eight years. He was a member of the firm of Boies, Couch & Boies, one member of the firm being ex-Governor Boies.

When Padarewski, the great pianist, was in Chicago a few weeks ago he limited his engagement to two performances. So great was the jam that no where near the number waiting to hear him could secure admission. For the two performances he received a little over \$13,000, said to be the largest amount ever paid for two performances.

A terrible crime was committed at Spragueville, a small village near Maquoketa, a few days ago. Jack Pizer, who three weeks ago was released from the penitentiary in Anamosa, at the expiration of a fifteen months' sentence for rape, called at a house in Spragueville and asked for something to eat. The woman was alone in the house and complied with his request and prepared him a meal. After he had satisfied his appetite he demanded some money, which the woman refused. Thereupon he, it is charged, grabbed her by the throat, and choking her into insensibility, outraged her, leaving her in an unconscious condition, after taking all the money she had. When the woman's husband came home she had recovered consciousness and told him all the facts. He immediately notified the sheriff at Preston, and he, with a deputy, started in pursuit of the accused fiend, whom they found in a saloon in Bellevue, and took him back to Preston. The young woman is a respectable Danish woman, who has been married less than a year and is in a delicate condition. The nervous shock she sustained so seriously affected her that her recovery is doubtful. The fiend is now in jail at Andrews, awaiting the action of the grand jury. This is the third time this brute in human form has committed a similar deed. The first time he outraged an old German lady about two miles from Maquoketa, and served a term in the penitentiary for it. Again about two years ago he committed the same crime, his victim being a woman in Clinton, and he was given only fifteen months in the penitentiary for that.

A dispatch announces that A. E. Thompson, cashier of the Maurice State Bank, which went into the hands of a receiver recently, has been arrested on a charge of forgery, and the grand jury is investigating the case. It is said that when State Bank Examiner Bennett made his examination of the bank in December last, notes to the amount of nearly \$8,000 were shown as part of the assets of the bank. These notes are now missing, and Thompson's individual note for nearly the same amount is among the papers turned over to the receiver.

Boone dispatch: A wreck took place on the Northwestern road west of Moinona. A double-header freight train of about sixty cars was coming down the hill when a brake beam came down, derailing four cars and breaking the train in two. A large number of the cars remained on the track and proceeded on down the hill at a terrific rate, crashing into the front end about a mile nearer Moinona. At this point seven cars were derailed and smashed into fragments. Brakeman Grim was crushed in the wreck and will probably not live.

IN CUBA.
HAVANA, February 24.—Gen. Weyler announces that he will pardon those insurgents who will surrender at once to the government officials. If those who surrender are found armed a second or third time, he gives warning in his statement, just issued, they will be subject to proceedings which may result in their being punished for a capital offense.

KEY WEST, February 25.—Circulars have been scattered all over the city of Havana stating that as Weyler is executing suspects and that 200 have already been murdered, the Cubans will retaliate by using dynamite against the residences and business houses of Spaniards.

As nearly as can be ascertained, 275,000 lives were lost in 1895 by battle, railroad accidents and various other disasters in this and other countries.

Dr. Mabel Spencer, of Kansas City, has been appointed county physician of Riley county—the first woman in Kansas to receive such an appointment.

Carlisle was no friend of Turkish tyranny, and the phrase "the unspcakable Turk," so often attributed to Mr. Gladstone, is really his.

"Rodney Stone" is the title of Dr. Conan Doyle's new story. The scene is laid in England of the regency—the period from 1811 to 1829.

ALL OVER THE WORLD

SAYS ARMENIANS DID IT.
The Sultan Makes a Report of Recent Uprisings.
WASHINGTON, February 26.—The Turkish legation has received from the sultan a copy of the very exhaustive report of the uprisings in Turkey. Numerous outbreaks were included in the investigation, but the report indicates that each of these, without exception, were due to seditious plots by Armenians, who thus incited the violent disapproval of the Turks. Outrages and massacres are alleged to have been committed by the Armenians in certain districts of Turkey. The officials to investigate the much-to-be-regretted Teboukour-Kissarin incident have stated in their report that there were eighty killed and fifteen wounded of men, women and children, of which they gave the names, and owing to the impossibility of obtaining any reliable information as to the whereabouts of certain others, it is still doubtful as to whether they are living or not. These testify that they saw in a neighboring ravine twenty or more corpses of beheaded Musselmans dangling from the same rope. A large number of pregnant women were massacred, and a great many little babies and children hurled into the air and spiked in falling on the point of a dagger.

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DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

WASHINGTON, February 20.—Cuban resolution was called up. It grants belligerent rights to the Cubans. Cameron offered amendments requesting the president to interpose his friendly offices with Spain to secure the independence of Cuba. Call, Cameron, Lodge and Morgan each made vigorous addresses in favor of assisting the Cubans.

Conference report on the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill was agreed to. Senate amendments to the pension bill were sent to conference. Indian appropriation bill was taken up in committee of the whole. It was still before the committee at adjournment.

WASHINGTON, February 21.—Indian appropriation bill was up in committee of the whole, about sixty-one pages being disposed of. Senate amendment to military academy appropriation bill was concurred in. Senate bill relating to final proof in timber culture entries and senate bill to amend revised statute relative to the power of the secretary of the treasury to remit or mitigate penalties and forfeitures, were passed. Colson introduced a resolution to investigate the action of Secretary Carlisle in refusing to accept the bid of William Graves for \$4,500,000 bonds at 115-1-3.

WASHINGTON, February 24.—Bill passed granting the widow of the late Secretary Gresham a pension of \$100 a month. Resolution for inquiring into bond issues, was debated, but went over without action. Resolution for recognition of Cubans as belligerents came up and Morgan spoke for three hours in favor of its adoption.

House spent the day in committee of the whole on the Indian appropriation bill. An amendment providing that no money appropriated for the support of Indian schools should go to any sectarian school, passed. Consideration of the bill was concluded, except one paragraph.

WASHINGTON, February 25.—Morrill moved to take up the tariff bill, but the motion was defeated, 22 to 38. Cannon, Carter, Dubois, Mandle and Teller were the republicans who voted against it. A heated debate followed the announcement of the vote. The Cuban resolution was discussed by Morgan, Gray, Lodge, Stewart and Call in favor of it. Adjourned.

The Indian appropriation bill as reported from the committee of the whole, was passed. Dingley's bill to exterminate the Alaska fur seals in case the modus vivendi cannot be concluded, passed. The contested election case of Van Horn and Tarsney, of Missouri, was debated at length, but no action was taken.

WASHINGTON, February 26.—A tariff and finance debate, caused by the tariff crisis of yesterday, became quite heated. Carter gave his interpretation of the republican financial plank of 1892 and denounced what he termed the movement to drive him, and his silver associates out of the party. The debate was participated in by Hoar, Gear, Teller and Sherman. Cuban resolution came up and White argued that the executive was the proper branch to grant recognition of belligerency.

Van Horn-Tarsney contested election case was under consideration for several hours. Senate amendment to bill to extend time in which under the act of 1891 the government can bring suits to annul patents to lands on railroad and wagon grants, was agreed to. Adjourned.

Abyssinia Sedan.
ROME, February 24.—The newspaper Don Marzio declares the position of Gen. Bartolieri, commander-in-chief of the Italian troops now operating in Abyssinia, is the same as that of Marshal Bazaine in Metz during the Franco-German war. King Menelik, it adds, is prepared to drive the Italians from Adigrat and bring about an Italian Sedan. The ministry has decided not to send further reinforcements.

JAMESON GETS TO ENGLAND.
Two Hundred and Fifty of His Men Accompany Him.
LONDON, February 26.—The steamship Victoria, with Dr. Jameson aboard, has arrived at Davenport from Port Natal. Two hundred and fifty of Dr. Jameson's men have arrived in London and have been sent to their homes. In spite of the secrecy which it was sought to maintain as to the time of their arrival, a great crowd gathered to receive them and greeted them with acclamation. These men assert that the Boers lost 280 men killed and wounded in the fight at Krugersdorp, in which Dr. Jameson was captured.

MISS FLAGLER SENTENCED.
Pays a Fine of \$500 and Spends Three Hours in Jail.
WASHINGTON, D. C., February 26.—Elizabeth Flagler, daughter of General Flagler, chief of the ordnance department of the United States, who last spring shot and killed a colored lad named Green for stealing apples, was arraigned in court. She pleaded guilty to involuntary murder and was sentenced to three hours in jail and to pay a fine of \$500. General Flagler paid the fine and the young lady was conducted to jail to serve the sentence. She passed the three hours in the matron's reception room in the company of Gen. Flagler and was then driven to her home.

Five systems of law are in use in Germany; 18,000,000 people live under the Prussian code, 3,500,000 under the Saxon, 7,500,000 under the French code civil, 14,000,000 under the German commercial code, the modernized form of Roman law, and 500,000 under the Scandinavian law. It is proposed to substitute a new code, the draft of which was completed this year, for all the older laws.

Mrs. Humphrey Ward is hard at work on her new novel, which will deal once more with the "social problem"—this time in the heart of London.

A perfectly proportioned man weighs twenty-eight pounds for every foot of his height.

A woman fire insurance is doing a thriving business in and about Mebo, Kentucky.

John Brown, of Pittsfield, Mass., who died the other day at the age of 95, was a cousin of "Ossawatimie" John Brown, and an Abolitionist himself.

March

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