



# Pine Co. Pioneer.

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PINE CITY, MINN.

It has been announced by the American Society of Professors of Dancing that the dizzy and many waltz, which is the hugging feature of the terpsichorean business, has got to go. It is out of fashion. Hereafter empty arm dancing is to be in vogue.

The prince of Wales is the champion godfather of Great Britain, his record being to have caused the death of his godson in that capacity. He also holds another unique record in this respect in having stood as godfather to the duke of Marlborough, as well as to the duke of Marlborough's infant heir—that is, godfather to both the father and the son.

There are in the world several kinds of animals that have never swallowed a drop of water in all their lives. These include the llamas of Patagonia, the camel in deserts of far away; a porcupine lived in a cage in the London Zoological gardens without drinking a drop, and some naturalists think that hares take no liquid except the dew that sometimes forms on the grass that they eat.

Room-own house keepers will rejoice to know that the war with Spain will not cut off entirely the supply of their staple table delicacy—prunes. California has come to the rescue with a crop of 100,000 bushels, while from orchards which aggregate 50,000 acres, at least 10,000 more acres will be in bearing next year, and a crop of 100,000 tons of green prunes is prophesied for the first year of the next century.

Pope Leo XIII. is said to have accumulated more wealth during his pontificate than any of his predecessors in the chair of St. Peter. Plus IX. collected \$10,000,000, and that was less than half a century ago. His successor is said to have acquired twice as much for the Vatican. The greater part of the money is said to be deposited in the Bank of England, and the remainder rests in various other European banks.

ROMANLY the smallest monarch in the world reigns over the Hindoo vastile, which covers nearly one-half of the earth, a woman, Djinjan-Begum by name; but although she is about fifty years old, she does not appear larger than a child of ten. Her diminutive size, however, is not the reason, however, from holding the reins of government with a firm hand, and in her realm quiet and order are supreme.

The problem of choosing a president for Cuban independence is almost agitated the countries who are engaged in struggling against the rule of Spain for years. There is much talk of Dr. Eleuterio Rebolledo for the first president of the Cubans. He is a noted statesman, held in high esteem of Parisians in Paris, but has long resided in Europe, and attained great prominence because of his ability as a surgeon and a man of letters.

Emperors European did not permit herself to be guarded by detectives. As soon as she noticed them she avoided them. Seven Austrian detectives followed her to Switzerland, but they were unable to find her, so she also went to Geneva. Her majesty often complained of the watchfulness imposed by the Swiss government for her safety. When leaving the hotel on the day she was assassinated, and perceiving detectives outside, she left by a side door to escape them.

LUNAKA, the king of Barotse Land, says a traveler, is held in great fear and respect by his people. His court has much elation and ceremonial as that of Louis XIV. His band of musicians make both day and night hideous with their performances. The music is done every evening except the Lord's Day himself, a surpassing spectacle. He wears a long black dressing gown, trimmed with red broad brad, trousers and shirt, and on his head a scarlet nightcap, and above it a black turban.

Mr. ANDREW SCHLEY will receive a prize of \$10,000 and money about \$100,000 for Adm. Dewey's service about \$30,000. Mr. Schley's share will be about \$3,000—less than that of some of the captains in the navy who were capturing prizes. Mr. Schley was invited up to Hampton Roads on the beginning of the war. The seamen, including "the men behind the guns," will get from \$30 to \$200 according to their pay and the number of prizes captured by their respective ships.

The new French quick-firing field gun, which made its appearance in the French armament, is pronounced by experts to be the most important advance in military science since the invention of gunpowder. It is a heavy gun, which is attached to the 2d army corps, operating near Chalons, under the personal supervision of Gen. Janssen, who fulfilled the highest expectations. Experiments have shown that the great wooden screens representing batteries do a destructive power absolutely appalling.

From Leavenworth, Switzerland, it is reported that the restoration of the famous old Chateau of Guillotin, in the Lake Geneva, is progressing rapidly, and is to be taken to the original style and coloring in every detail. The hall is nearly finished, the fine ceiling, constructed in 1420 by Aymeric, the master mason, and the hall of Savoy, was in an excellent state of preservation and needed little beyond careful cleaning.

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## WILL LOCATE THE BLAME.

Commission to Probe the Conduct of the War Department Is Now in Session.

### ALGER ASKED FOR AN INVESTIGATION.

President McKinley Puts No Limit Upon the Scope of the Inquiry and Will Render All the Assistance Possible—Says If There Are Wrong-Doers They Must Be Punished.

Washington, Sept. 26.—The commission to investigate the conduct of the war department during the recent conflict with Spain held its initial meeting in the office of President McKinley. The members are:

Major Gen. Granville M. Dodge, of Iowa; Gen. Wesley Merritt, of New York; Gen. Edward M. Ord, of Illinois; Gen. W. W. Butterfield, of Georgia; Maj. Gen. J. M. Wilson, chief engineer of the United States army; Hon. Charles Denby, of New York; Gen. George F. Sheppard, of Vermont; ex-Gen. James A. Beaver, of Pennsylvania; Maj. Gen. G. H. Davis, of Massachusetts; Col. Nicholas Benn, of Chicago; several hundred United States volunteers, has been honorably discharged from the service.

The report that the last meeting in the island had been adjourned is denied.

Gen. Merritt, the president of the commission, suggested the matters which shall come before you for investigation I desire to express my appreciation to you for your interest in the matter. You are to be invited to accept the patriotic services to which you have been invited. You are to be invited to accept the services of those that can fall to a citizen, and your usefulness in undertaking it makes me profoundly grateful.

Gen. Merritt said that he had a clear conscience regarding Spanish policy, and that he had a dream, and that he had a real relish for the organization of the volunteer forces.

Gen. Merritt said that instead of mustering out-of-town volunteers wholesale within the next two or three weeks, it will be the aim of the authorities to weed out the untrained and shift volunteers gradually.

It is stated that the warning issued with regard to the withdrawal of the Spanish in transports has been so perfectly carried out that they have made a deep impression upon the country.

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PINE CITY, MINN., SEPT. 30, '98.

**CHIPS PICKED UP AROUND TOWN**  
and Shaving Clipped From Our Exchanges.

—Bring your Potatoes to the Wilcox Mercantile Co.'s store.

—Look at Carlson's new ad on the first page, and profit thereby.

Remember J. J. Ryder's speech at the court house Monday evening.

—Mike Hurley left on Sunday to resume his studies at St. Thomas.

—The Wilcox Mercantile company want potatoes, and want lots of em.

—The Pine Poker is now located in rooms over Vericker's restaurant.

—Don't forget your Fire Insurance. Call on J. Y. Breckenridge.

—Court convened on Tuesday, with Judge Williston on the bench.

—Oscar Oswald, of Sturgeon Lake, is here this week, being one of the jurors.

—W. H. Grant Jr., of St Paul, was a Pine City visitor the first of the week.

—Highest market price paid for potatoes, by the Wilcox Mercantile company.

—**MONEY TO LOAN.** In small sums on improved farm lands. Apply at this office.

—Sixteen loads of wheat from Mora arrived at the Pine City Roller mills on Tuesday.

—For sale—A good Winchester rifle 1886 Model cheap. For particulars call at this office.

—Farm wanted—Send full particulars, price etc., at once. A. H. Russel, Akron, O.

—Hon. A. J. Anderson, of Taylors Falls, was here on internal revenue business yesterday.

—C. F. Albrecht and wife, of Plymouth, Wis., are visiting their son, County Treasurer Albrecht.

Geo. J. Morast, the successful butcher of Hinckley, was in the county seat this week, as a juror.

—The Woman's Reading Club will meet next Monday evening with Mrs. Marsh, at the Pioneer House.

—Lars F. Lagerwall, an old resident of Taylors Falls, died at his home in that place, Sunday, Sept. 25th.

—Andrew Gilberg and Gustave Swenborg, of Kerrick, were in this place the first of the week, attending court.

—Editor Howard Folsom, of the Courier, and Village Marshal Gunn, of Sandstone, were county seat callers of Tuesday.

—Clas. Upgreen, of Sturgeon Lake, is a juror during the term of court now in session, he having arrived on Tuesday.

—C. P. Liebeau has given his residence a brand new coat of paint, which adds greatly to the appearance of his beautiful farm.

—Three teams from Hinckley were down with grain for the grist mill on Wednesday. Mike Dean handled the ribbons on one of the teams.

—Any one wishing brick for cellar or chimney work can get what they want by calling on or addressing, Jordan Pangerl, Pine City, Minn.

—Mrs. Rose Peaselee, wife of C. E. Peaselee, of Taylors Falls, died at her home in that village, on Wednesday morning, Sept. 23, of consumption.

—Jordan Pangerl is hauling rock for the foundation of a new house which he is about to erect on the southeast corner of his lots on Ninth street.

You are invited to attend services in the Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at 10:30, evening at 7:45; Sabbath school at 11:45 a.m.

D. M. Finlayson, of St. Paul, spent Tuesday and Wednesday in this vicinity. He spent Tuesday night with his sister, Mrs. D. S. McKay, at Rock Creek.

—Some people live by their wits, but the majority of mankind live by taking Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents. For sale by J. Y. Breckenridge, druggist, Pine City, Minn.

Judge Nethaway, of Stillwater, was here the first of the week, he being retained as counsel by Jas. Cameron. The judge's many friends are always pleased to see him.

A. J. Armstrong, who has been traveling for the Chicago Record for the past three months, returned home on Monday, to spend a few days with his family and friends.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. P. Knudsen on Thursday, Oct. 6th, at 2 p.m. Lunch served from 5 to 7 o'clock. Everybody welcome.

—Everything is on the boom here this week, it being the regular term of the District Court, and there are jurors and witnesses from all parts of the county in attendance.

**REMEMBER** the speech by J. J. Ryder, at the Court House, on Monday evening, October 3d. Everybody interested in the political questions of the day is invited to be present.

—No one who has ever traded with G. A. Carlson, of Rush City, has had cause to regret it. The first three days of next week he will hold his grand fall sale, and you'll miss it if you miss it.

—She's a fine girl, quite brilliant I understand she has just completed a course of Rocky Mountain Tea that accounts for her brilliancy. For sale by J. Y. Breckenridge, druggist, Pine City, Minn.

—Riverside Circle, Ladies of the G. A. R., will meet in G. A. R. hall Tuesday, Oct. 4, 1898, at three o'clock p.m. All members are requested to be present.

**CLARA ALBRECHT, Secy.**

—It makes no difference how many medicines have failed to cure you. While there's life there's hope, and Rocky Mountain Tea will make you well. For sale by J. Y. Breckenridge, druggist, Pine City, Minn.

—Sunday services in the M. E. church next Sunday as usual. Morning preaching at 10:30, Sunday school at 11:45. Evening Lecture at 7:00 p.m. At 7:45, instead of the regular service, a song service will be held.

—M. L. Parker, of Minneapolis, general agent for the Wards, Bushnell & Glessner company, manufacturers of the Champion binders and mowers, was here on Tuesday and Wednesday, looking after the company's interests.

—Ed. Gifford, of North Branch, was in town the first of the week as a witness in the case of the State vs. John Linnehan, who was indicted by the Grand Jury for assaulting a conductor of the Eastern Minnesota Railroad, last spring.

—Mr. and Mrs. John D. Wilcox and Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Wilcox of Pine City, arrived Saturday to attend the golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Wilkes, and to pass three or four days visiting old time friends—North Branch Review, Sept. 23.

—Jas. Cameron and Patsy and John Linnehan were brought up from Stillwater the first of last week and were indicted by the Grand Jury. Their trials are held this week, and they have been guests of Sheriff Hawley for the past week or ten days.

—Hon. Page Morris, Republican candidate for re-election to Congress, will speak at the Court House at Pine City, Minn., on Saturday Oct. 8th, 1898. All voters within reach should attend and hear the issues of this campaign discussed in a calm and able manner.

—The auction sales mentioned in last weeks issue, will take place the second Saturday of each month commencing the 8th day of October. There will be a large list of horses, cattle, sheep, hogs and all kinds of wagons, buggies, etc.

M. S. WATT, Auctioneer.

—For Sale—A fine one story cottage and two lots on the north side of the river, for sale cheap, for cash, if taken at once. For information price &c., call at this office. Reason for selling, party desires to leave town. This is a fine piece of property and can be bought very cheap.

—E. W. Pink and Bert Everett, of West Superior, and J. W. Gilroy, Titus and Benjamin Nye, of St. Paul, were in attendance at court on Tuesday, as witnesses in the case of the State vs. Patsy Linnehan.

These gentlemen are all employees of the Great Northern railroad company.

—A. W. Lawson, an old-time resident of this place, but now of Champlin, spent Saturday in this village. He says that his family are enjoying the best of health. Mr. Lawson is traveling for L. L. May & Co., bidding orders for seeds to be delivered in the spring. He departed in the afternoon for Grays Lake and Mora.

—There will be a Knitting Social under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church at the residence of W. P. Gottry next Friday evening. Each lady and gentleman will be supplied with a ball of yarn and two needles. Each ball will contain a souvenir. Every person must knit their ball of yarn, or else hire some one to knit it for them.

Every body invited to come and have a good time. Usual price—10 cents.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. P. Knudsen on Thursday, Oct. 6th, at 2 p.m. Lunch served from 5 to 7 o'clock. Everybody welcome.

—On last Saturday evening David Carmichael had a four-horse team here over night, being on his way up the river, where he has a crew of men at work hauling in his logs, which were left high and dry by the going out of the dam last spring.

—The St. Paul & Duluth Railway company will give rates of one and one-third fare on the certificate plan, for the following occasions: Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, Minneapolis, Sept. 27 and 28; annual meeting of the Women's Home Missionary Society of the M. E. church, at Minneapolis, Oct. 19 to 26.

—On Monday evening, Tuesday and Wednesday, Oct. 3, 4 and 5, Carlson, the Rush City merchant, holds his fall opening sale of dry goods, clothing, carpets, etc., and invites the people from all sections of the country to visit him on those dates, as they can be assured of securing great bargains.

—C. Gibson, formerly of Pine Island, has moved to this country, and purchased 80 acres of land at Hustleton, where he is erecting a dwelling and other buildings. Mr. Gibson is a blacksmith by trade, and will erect a small shop on his farm, where he will accommodate settlers in that section whenever they are in need of blacksmithing.

—On Saturday noon last, a part of the weather was observed perched on one of the upper window sills of the Harvey block. Whether it wanted to subscribe for the PIONEER or Bede's Budget, or stopped to get a tooth pulled is unknown, as it made a hurried departure when some of the boys tried to interview it.

—A meeting of all the members of Pine City Camp, No. 3179 M. W. A. is called for Friday evening Sept. 30 at Kowalewski's hall at 8:30 sharp. All members of the camp and all visiting neighbors are requested to be present at this time, as business of importance is to be transacted.

E. L. GRANGER, Recorder.

—H. C. Withrow, of the State Human Society of Duluth, was a visitor in this village on Friday and Saturday. Mr. Withrow has a troupe which has been traveling with on the Range, giving entertainments for the benefit of the Humane Society. He was here to see about a child in town that is crippled, and also to see what the chances were for giving his entertainment.

—J. H. M. Parker, Canadian Government Agent, of Duluth, was one of the exhibitors at the County fair. He had on exhibition samples of grain raised in western Canada. It was a fine exhibit, and added much to the attractiveness of the grain and vegetable building. Mr. Parker was taking the name and address of every farmer for the purpose of sending them free literature on farming.

—The Mora farmers are now coming thick and fast to the mill with wheat. On Monday there was over 300 bushels brought from Kanabec county.

These men say that they can get better treatment here than at any other mill with which they could deal, and the roads being much better, they being able to make the round trip in two days, while it takes three or four days to go to any other mill.

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—S. T. McDowell returned home on Saturday last from Fairfax, where he had been for the past couple of weeks, starting up a grist mill frequently completed by the firm for which Mr. Allen, Sr., is agent. In the Fairfax newspaper they give Mr. McDonald a good send-off as a miller, and were anxious to secure his services. But Mack is too badly stuck on Pine City to make a change, and says that there is no place like home.

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—John Armstrong, who has been visiting his brother Arthur's family, and clearing and improving his farm there three miles northwest of this place, on the Pokemana road, departed on the 19th inst. for St. Paul, where he secured a position as station agent on the Great Northern road. John is a first-class operator, and never has to be a great while without work. His many friends here will be pleased to know that he has a good position.

—A. Swanson is now nicely located in the south window of H. N. Welch's hardware store in the Harvey block, on Fourth street, three doors from the corner of Third avenue, and is prepared to do all kinds of jewelry repairing, and everything done by a first-class watch maker and jeweler. He also keeps in stock a fine line of watches, clocks, chains, rings and spectacles. When in need of anything in his line, be sure and give him a call.

—The Old Settlers' association of the St. Croix Valley held its annual meeting in Stillwater last week. The following deaths were reported: J. B. Blackburn, H. N. Setzer, S. R. McMillan, B. W. Bronson, A. Stimpson, John Weymouth and J. N. Spencer. The following officers were elected: Pres., W. P. Murray, Vice pres., C. R. Gardner, Secy., A. Marty, Treas., E. W. Durant.

—R. C. Stanley's pony, Bess, would have carried off first money in the race at Pine City last Wednesday, had she not bolted the track on the first heat when running three lengths in the lead, and ran three miles into the country. As it was, she only secured third place. This will probably lead to a race between Stanley's and the Pine City ponies for big money, however.—Sandstone Courier.

—On Wednesday morning Geo. Payne received a postal card from his son Daniel, who enlisted from this place, and went with the third regiment to Georgia. Dan has been very sick with typhoid fever, being his first card that he has been able to write for it four weeks. He said that it would be six weeks before they would let him come home, as they were very strict, and would not let them leave until they were strong enough for the journey. Dan's many friends will be pleased to learn that he is improving.

—Send us the names and addresses of three or more performers on the piano or organ and twenty-five cents in silver or postage and we will mail you a Latest and Greatest Song successes entitled "The Flower That Won My Heart", "Bring Our Heroes Home", dedicated to the Heroes of the U. S. Battleship Maine, and twelve other pages of the latest marches, two-steps, songs, etc., full sheet music, arranged for the piano and organ. This is the greatest offer of music ever made by any house in America. Order at once.

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—Archie Allen, brother of Rubes Allen, our flour mill owner, arrived here Saturday, to spend a week visiting his brother and friends. Archie is a member of Company L, Twelfth Regiment Minnesota Volunteers. He went with the 12th to Chippewa, where he was taken with malarial fever, which ran into typhoid. He would not go into hospital, but remained in his quarters until he got so bad that they sent him to his home in Minneapolis, where he arrived four or five weeks ago, and since getting home he has improved every day. He will report at St. Paul Oct. 21st, and go with his company to New Ulm, where the regiment will go into camp. Archie's many friends in this place were glad to see him.

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## A RIDE FOR LOVE

By GEORGE CUSTIS.

IT WAS a cool, clear day in late August. The season at the Heartwood Lake hotel was at its height, and the inn was crowded continually as he issued orders for extra beds to be prepared in billiard-rooms and smoking-rooms, while clerks and hall boys were kept busy replying to the continuous whirring of electric bells. It was mid-afternoon, and most of the guests of the hotel had retired to their rooms for the siesta which had become a habit during the warm days of the earlier summer.

The interest of the few loungers on the broad piazza was centered for a moment on a group of bicyclists, a score or more of whom were gathered in front of the hotel, ready for a ride of 20 miles to a famous resort where they were to meet a famous racing team. It was an animated scene, with Sutton still healthy when he looked up with a ghost of the old brilliant smile.

When Sutton returned with the kind farmer and his wagon he said quietly:

"I think it would be better for me to ride alone, so to the hotel, and get things ready for your coming."

"Decidedly," she said, emphatically. "You can do nothing further here, though perhaps there."

Then followed the necessary preparations for the reception of the wounded man as he rode back to join the little party in the farmer's wagon. Converse was still unconscious when he was carried into the hotel, and after a brief examination the doctors groaned that he was suffering from a compound fracture of the skull. It was necessary to perform the operation of trepanning without delay, and in the meantime the preparations went quietly forward.

Miss Milnor had removed her blood-stained garments and taken up her position near the door of the sick chamber, a pale ghost of her former self.

"She loves him; I am sure of it now," Mrs. Mann said. "He is so wonderful,

and all I dared, and what about the result? Only to make her look upon him as an abused and much-to-be-pitied mortal, while I—bah! if I didn't happen to worship the ground she treaded on, I'd be equal to be misunderstood!" and then gave a momentous sigh at the pumping of the deflated tire of a wheel belonging to a plain, shy girl who was starting with some trepidation on her first long ride.

Sutton felt sorry for her, and when Rose told him that she had stopped at her side and not even a glance was at his direction, he gallantly brought up the rear of the procession of wheels with his quiet companion, whose strength, soon discovered, was quite unequal to the task she had undertaken. At the end of the first five miles, they met a party of girls returning, led by a driver from a drive and with an umbrella in the carriage; they offered to take the tired rider and her wheel back to the hotel, and Sutton, thus relieved of his charge, continued on his way, hoping to overtake the remainder of the party.

He had not indeed proceeded far when, as he rounded the crest of a hill, he descried at some distance ahead of him two figures who were bending over their wheels at the side of the road.

As he came nearer, he recognized Miss Milnor and Converse, and he was glad to have passed them with a simple nod of recognition, for since their conversation regarding Converse, Rose's manner to Sutton had been decidedly distant, but to his surprise it was Converse himself who called out to him:

"I say Sutton!" he called, "and as I have here, why not? Miss Milnor has punctured my tire, and I have left the most important part of my repair kit at home!"

Sutton jumped off his wheel at once, but he looked inquiringly at Rose before he examined her wheel. He fancied she might be obliged to accept a favor at his hands, but her tone was cordial enough as she said, simply:

"I am glad you have come!"

He set to work at once to mend the damaged tire, and they were all three quite silent during the operation. When it was finished, Sutton raised his cap with grave courtesy.

"I say, you will have no further trouble, Miss Milnor," he said. "And now, since I can be of no further service, I will ride on ahead to inform the others that you are coming."

The road inclined steeply upwards from the point where the riders had met, so that Sutton did not gain much upon the others, and he reached the highest point of the road, which went downhill again, before he heard their voices behind him.

Without looking back, Sutton coasted down the steep incline, and had regained his pedals, ready for the next ascent, when he heard his wheel shot behind him in Rose's chain, ringing sharply. He turned his wheel at once, and saw her springing from her wheel, which was half way down the hill; her companion had disappeared, but in another moment Sutton understood what had happened. Rose's wheel had struck someone in the middle of the road, and the rider had taken a header into a shallow ditch, where he lay face downward, and quite motionless.

Sutton reached the spot almost as soon as Miss Milnor, and his first thought was of her.

"Do not be alarmed," he said. "He is very probably only stunned by the fall," and he tried to hide from her eyes the ghastly wound in the head of the unconscious man as he raised him in his arms and carried him into the shade of a tree at the side of the road. Miss Milnor followed him quietly.

"Does his heart beat?" she asked, in a strained voice. He laid his head on Converse's chest, and as he looked up

with a reassuring nod, she murmured: "Thank God, he is not dead," and then she added: "We must get him back to the hotel, where there are several good physicians." She was anxious, but Sutton was anxious at her companion.

"You are quite right," he said. "He must be taken back—somehow."

And then she reminded him that a short distance back they had passed a farm, where there are several good physicians.

Sutton was anxious at her companion. "I will wait here with Mr. Converse," she said, "while you return and bring the doctor."

She was kneeling beside the wounded man, trying to staunch the blood which flowed from the ugly wound in his head. Her dress was spattered with crimson stains, her hair had fallen off, and she was weeping. Sutton still held her as she looked up with a ghost of the old brilliant smile.

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## PITH AND POINT.

No man can kick and draw a load at the same time.—Horn's Horn.

You never know how much we can do until we get the chance.—Louisville Post.

Now that the war is over, why should the spirit of the Spanish mortal be proud?—Dulcinea Times.

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"What does he do?" she replied. "He is a philosopher." "What?" asked his friend. "A lot of new 'selections' for the 'electuaries'."—Detroit Free Press.

Father (sternly).—"What is this? I hear about you gambling?" Son (hastily).—"I admit I play cards, but that is only for small stakes."

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Mr. Mann's Heroic Effort in Behalf of Mr. Dodo—Cheerful But Inexpert Lying.

The other morning Mrs. Dodo wanted to know where I'd been to the previous evening. Not being quite clear on the subject, and to be sure I had been to a party meeting with my friend Mrs. Janeth, then, as luck would have it, Mrs. Mann passed the window and my wife called in.

"Mr. Mann," she said, "my husband tells me that you went with him to a tea meeting last night."

Mann looked at me and then answered:

"That's right, Mrs. Dodo."

"And may I ask where this meeting was held?" said my wife.

"I'm sorry, I can't forget the name of the place," stammered Mann. "St. George and the Dragon?" inquired Mrs. Dodo sweetly.

"Yes, that's it," he said, eagerly, and then she smiled one of those hard, cold, glittering smiles of hers.

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