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#### PLEASE PASS THE DEODORANT.

If ever there was a filthy, nauseating scandal and one which does newspaper no credit that prints its shocking details, it is the Gould-Castellane-DeSagan affair. For the past few years Anna Gould has been mixed up in story after story, which surely must make the late Jay Gould turn over in his grave. If American girls ever needed a warning to shun the diseased offspring of the decadent royalty in France and other kindred countries, where the romance tongues are spoken, it certainly couldn't be made any stronger than the Castellane-DeSagan affair. It would seem that Anna Gould might have had the decency after being involved with the scoundrelly Boni, to let the French nobility alone, but scarcely were one set of fettters free before she forged another pair for herself and the unfortunate little scions of the Gould family, who are unfortunate enough to call Anna Gould mother. There is no sympathy expressed for the woman. Americans will say it serves her right. The experience of the Gould woman is nearly the same as others who have married the mongrel-blooded aristocracy abroad. The DeSagan case is absolutely sickening. It should be buried in chloride of lime or even stronger—say mercuric chloride.

#### TOO CLEAN TO BE SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE.

From this distance it looks as if Mr. Slack stands about as much show of being named senator to succeed Hemenway as the proverbial camel has of climbing through the eye of a needle. The reason for this is that Mr. Slack is too clean and brilliant a man. He is a temperance democrat and he has never been on Crawford Fairbanks' payroll. The brewery combine could hardly stand for Mr. Slack. They could do nothing with him. He would never subserve to their interests. Hence he will not be United States senator. Mr. Slack is much in the same boat with Ex-Senator Kopeke of Crown Point. They are both too honest and too clean to stand any show of pulling secret wires enough to land them in the United States senate in the fight now on.

#### THE DUTY ON ART.

The American Free Art League wants the duty on art repealed. It is a good healthy sign that America is growing. Of course objets d'art are not needed as are other things and the repealing of other duties is far more important, but if beauty and culture amount to anything, why should it be necessary to tax the beautiful. The people of this country have lost seriously in being deprived of these things, for it is only the rich who pay for these things. The poor do not suffer and the United States can ill afford to be behind Europe in catering to the beautiful as well as the useful things of life. Taxed art is a tax on education. Why not remove the tariff of twenty per cent? It was Watterson who said that this tax on art "hop-scotched American civilization."

#### NO ILL HAPPENS TO A GOOD MAN.

There are members of the Down and Out club who have never read good old Ben Johnson's truthful words. Ben had his troubles. Life was not all roses for him, but he said:

"I fortune never crushed that man whom good fortune deceived not. I therefore have counselled my friends never to trust to her fairer side, though she seemed to make peace with them; but to place all things she gave them so she might ask the again without their trouble; she might take them from them, not pull them; to keep always a distance between her and themselves. He knows not his own strength that hath not met adversity. Heaven prepares good men with crosses; but no ill can happen to a good man. Contraries are not mixed. Yet that which happens to any man may to every man. But it is in his reason what he accounts it and will make it."

THERE ARE ONLY about three chances of being a hero these days; one is to be a fireman, the next is to marry a chorus lady and the third is to join the Lowell football team.

AND OUR VIGILANT correspondents tell us that not a few dealers throughout Lake county got badly balled up on the turkey question, because of the pernicious actions of the weather man.

"I SEE NO REASON why men should have slanting shoulders," said President Roosevelt. Well, there is only one, they don't carry chips so easily.

MR ROCKEFELLER, of course, cannot tell a lie. It was Mr. Flagler who chopped down the cherry tree.

AND WE FAIL to see Mr. Harriman's name among those who chipped into the republican campaign fund.

#### THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

November 28.

1785—Duo de Broglie, French statesman and diplomat, born. Died Jan. 26, 1870.

1793—Treaty of peace made with the Dey of Algiers, by which an annual tribute was given by the United States for the redemption of captives.

1808—French troops entered Warsaw.

1828—John Gilbert made his first appearance on the stage at the Tremont theater in Boston.

1832—Louisa M. Alcott, author, born in Germantown, Pa. Died in Boston March 6, 1888.

1859—Washington Irving, American author, died. Born April 7, 1783.

1861—Lord Monck took the oath of office as governor-general of Canada.

1907—Hon. Rodolphe Lemieux of the Canadian government, received at lunch by the empress of Japan.

#### THIS IS MY 64TH BIRTHDAY.

Everett C. Bumpus.

Everett C. Bumpus, a member of the International Panama land claims commission, was born at Plympton, Mass., Nov. 28, 1844. In boyhood he removed

with his parents to Braintree and received there his early education. After serving in the war, first as a private soldier, then at the head of his company, he studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1857. He was on the bench from 1872 to 1882. For twenty years Judge Bumpus was a member of numerous commissions chosen by the Massachusetts courts to settle questions of water, gas, electric and land franchises. As a member of the International Panama land commission he has spent much of his time abroad during the past two years.

#### THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

November 29.

1516—Giovanni Bellini, the first great artist of the Venetian school, died in Venice. Born there in 1430.

1602—Prince Rupert, founder and first governor of the Hudson's Bay company, died in England. Born at Prague, Dec. 18, 1619.

1798—The Neapolitans occupied Rome.

1814—General Andrew Jackson defeated the Creek Indians at Autosse, Ala.

1863—Confederates made heroic attempts to carry Knoxville by storm.

1872—Horace Greeley, famous editor and

## Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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### KILLED—AN AMERICAN MOTHER.

This is the true story of John Sweeney, of John Sweeney's mother and of the naval department.

John Sweeney deserted from the navy, and the department KILLED JOHN SWEENEY'S MOTHER.

What? It is true. Not intentionally, but they killed her just the same.

John Sweeney was the son of Mrs. Mary Sweeney of New York. About two years ago John disappeared from home and enlisted in the navy.

Some time ago his mother learned her boy was quite ill in the naval hospital at San Francisco.

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And then one morning the mail carrier brought her a letter. She looked at it and fainted. It was her own letter returned, and across its face was stamped in large letters:

"DESERTER."

From that moment she faded, and in a few days she died, the doctors said, of a BROKEN HEART.

And that was murder.

Had Mrs. Sweeney lived in Russia, where bureaucratic government rides cruelly over human hearts, one might expect the red tape rules of barbarity.

But in the United States!

It is all right to punish deserters from the navy. That is necessary for discipline. But it is not all right to break the hearts of mothers by cruel customs. It is not all right to punish the innocent for the guilty.

This branding of letters is a part of the eighteenth century procedure that used to the sailors to the mast and lash their bare backs with the cat-o'-nine tails for some trivial infraction of the rules.

The sufferings of the poor mothers of deserters are sufficiently acute—victims of wayward sons—without this pitiful branding of their mothers.

The thing is a relic of the dark ages. We hear much about the inefficiency of our naval bureaus. Certainly a reform is needed as to their needless cruelty.

It is no less a crime to kill a loving mother than it is done by bureaucratic brutality.

The heartless custom of printing "Deserter" on the envelopes of friends should be stopped.

### THIS IS MY 42ND BIRTHDAY.

Ernest W. Brown.

Ernest W. Brown, professor of mathematics in Haverford college, was born in Hull, England, Nov. 29, 1866.

He graduated from Cambridge university and came to America in 1891 to accept the chair of mathematics in Haverford college. In 1907 he received the gold medal awarded annually by the Royal Astronomical Society of London to the one person who has done the most during the year to further astronomical works. Recently Professor Brown was called to the chair of mathematics at Yale, where he will construct lunar tablets for use in all the nautical almanacs of the world, upon which are based computations for international navigation. The work, it is expected, will take at least ten years.

### UP TO THE THIRTY OF THE PRESENT FISCAL YEAR ONLY ONE DEED HAD BEEN TENDERED FOR TURNING BASINS.

Up to the thirtieth of the present fiscal year only one deed had been tendered for turning basins. On June 9 an deed tendered a deed conveying to the United States the island in the river near Ninety-second street, and this deed is now in the hands of the Attorney-General's Department for examination prior to acceptance.

An application of the sanitary district of the city of Chicago for permission to reverse the flow of Calumet river, so as to cause the water to flow from Lake Michigan into the drainage canal (in a similar manner as has been done in the Chicago river), was denied by the War Department March 14, 1907, and later by temporary injunction of Federal courts; and the case is now being argued.

A final decision by the United States Supreme Court will probably be reached this season.

The annual commerce is now reported at 6,400,000 tons, the principal items

being iron ore, grain, and coal. It is steadily increasing, and new manufacturing plants are steadily occupying the river banks as fast as the 20 foot depths are carried upstream.

### ABOUT EVERYBODY GETTING ON A SKATE WILL BE GOING THE ROUNDS.

#### Good News For Mrs. Walker.

George Walker was in Wednesday from his home near Drasco to buy some piping and other fixtures to be used at his home. He is arranging to put water at all convenient places around the place, which improvements will no doubt be appreciated by Mrs. Walker as much as any one.—Winters (Texas) Enterprise.

It takes a wise woman to discover her husband has a hole in his pocket.

And by the way, trade in your home for Christmas shopping. Help the merchants in your own city to have a glad spirit. Cut out Chicago.

When the grocer makes you three different prices on eggs and then sends you some that are bad, it puzzles you to know whether he wants to do business very much or not.

It is to be hoped for Indiana's sake, if not for Laporte's, that the last has not been heard of the Gunniss case, unless Sherif Smutler decides to dig up that cement floor.

Council committee is opposed to granting extension of time for the Illinois Tunnel company to retain its telephone franchise unless concessions are made by the company.

Addison Weeks, wealthy resident of Do Soto, Mo., has St. Louis woman arrested and charges her with hounding him twenty-two years.

Mrs. Eleanor Merron Cowper, playwright, shoots herself in St. Regis hotel, New York, in same manner her aged friend committed suicide.

Chairman Payne of the house committee on tariff revision replies to W. V. Van Cleave, saying the people will judge the bill produced by the investigation instead of following the critics of the work.

Berlin considers Balkan situation more serious, owing to Austria's military preparations.

Interstate commerce commission is making an investigation into the business affairs of the terminal railroads.

Wheat values improve slightly on continued influential local buying, while corn, oats and provisions weaken under pressure, and live stock is lower.

Joseph N. Field of Manchester, England, a brother of the late Marshall Field, invests heavily in Chicago banks.

BARNHART LEASES PAPER.

Negotiations were completed whereby the Rochester Sentinel, owned by Henry A. Barnhart, congressman-elect from the thirteenth district, was leased to Boyd and Harold Van Trump for two years from Jan. 1, 1909. Harold Van Trump was formerly manager of

Bartholomew county.

New Appellate Court Suit.

James H. Shoue vs. Clara A. Ra-

mon, K. P. Record, Assignment of errors. In term. Bond.

Joint motion to dismiss.

Edward Thompson vs. Carl C. Klemens, C. C. Record, Assignment of errors. In term. Bond.

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