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A SAMPLE OF A CAD.

Superintendent Maxwell of the New York public schools is another public man in this country who has made an ass of himself and lowered himself about one hundred per cent. in the estimation of people by declaring that "all women in America are too lazy." It is quite possible that Maxwell never got off Manhattan Island and it certainly doesn't seem as if he could have traveled farther than Hoboken. The greatest fault with the American woman, be she a working woman or a married woman, is that she tries to do too much. However, it is not necessary to make any defense of the American woman because Maxwell has slandered her. His mother must have done a pretty good job or he wouldn't be old enough to have even brains enough to make such an idiotic statement. She does more in one day than a lot of men would want to do in a week. We know public school teachers for instance who keep house for their parents and whose brothers are hanging around the streets dogging employment. Imagine a man getting up at four in the morning to get breakfast for his aged father and mother and then going to school to teach. There is not a working girl in this country who does not do more actual manual labor in one day than her employer does in two. Look at the farmer's wife! Look at the housewife, who works from morning till night and brings up a family of children! We call Supt. Maxwell of the New York schools a thorough cad.

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ALL THE DEMOCRATS LACKED WAS MONEY.

Those who are keeping in close touch with the alleged election fraud contest at Crown Point believe that it will result in one thing, that is in showing that if there were any naturalization frauds in Lake county the democrats will be found as guilty as the republicans. According to the testimony delivered by County Chairman F. R. Schaaf on the witness stand yesterday, he received implicit instructions to hew close to the line in getting naturalization papers for his protégés and so instructed the naturalizers. No one doubts Mr. Schaaf's word. As far as is known up here the Indianapolis News has no divine authority to pre-judge the Lake county republican leaders. It is declared by witnesses that the democrats only lacked the money to pay naturalization expenses. The Indianapolis News is averse to giving this prominence, but is ready to start the hue and cry after what it is pleased to denounce republican fraud and trickery. It is trying to foul its own nest and there is little question but what the outcome of the contest at Crown Point will be. It won't require any clairvoyant or seventh daughter of the seventh daughter to prophesy its outcome. None of the state officers elected on the republican ticket are doing any worrying or passing any sleepless nights, however. No one has heard the republicans accusing the democrats of fraudulent naturalizations in Lake county and it ill beseems the democrats to cry "wolf."

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THE STORY HAD BEEN DENIED BEFORE.

The news published in the TIMES last week that the United States Steel corporation had not gobbled up the Standard Steel Car company of Hammond was glad news for Hammond people. Contrary stories have been published since then by other papers, but the next day after the Pittsburgh Post had published its story that the deal had been closed, E. H. Gary of the United States Steel corporation, who might be expected to know at least as much as some of the newspapers that know all about it, said that there was not a word of truth in the stories and not even in the rumors. There is no use for Hammond people to be alarmed. Let those knock the Standard Steel Car plant as much as they wish. It is not going to become the property of the United States Steel corporation, unless the officials of the steel trust have deliberately lied. The Standard Steel Car plant will not be gobbled up by any one.

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THE PISTOL HABIT.

The true remedy for the "pistol habit" must be a wider application of higher ideals in our business and social life, by which aggressions upon the rights of others shall cease or at least become amenable to righteous judgment and not mere technical interpretations by judges sworn to do their whole duty to preserve the rights of the people. The spirit of aggression upon the rights of others must result in one or two conditions unless the nation puts a quick stop upon the whole business by upholding the unalienable rights of the people as against alien interests, or by putting upon the latter such restraints as shall bring them under the law as servants of and supplicants for popular favor and not as masters of those by whom the favors are supposed to be granted.

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DON'T OVERHEAT YOUR HOUSE.

One of our exchanges proffers some good advice about the dangers of overheated houses at this season of the year when it is so difficult to regulate furnace and steam heat to correspond with the demands of comfort. If not permitted to burn too hot for the necessities of the case a furnace is perversely inclined to sulk and not burn at all, and even when all shut off is likely to overheat the house to such an extent that colds are easily contracted. Attention should also be paid to keeping a proper amount of moisture in the air, as hot, dry air is conducive to pneumonia.

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THE TIMES NEVER took anything back about Mayor Becker. It simply extended him the courtesy in telling the people what he had to say in regard to permitting a mayor to succeed himself. If the cities' and towns' law is repealed it is freely predicted that Mr. Becker will be a candidate for re-election.

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BEFORE MARRIAGE it is a mere labor of love to supply the adored one with American beauties and chocolate bon-bons. After marriage it is only the labor of love that enables us to keep even with the grocer and the milkman.

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... SOME PEOPLE are unhappy without money; dissatisfied while they are making it; when they've got it they are wretched for fear of losing it and when it is gone they are in despair.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY. December 16. 1672—John Casimir, King of Poland, in whose reign the dissolution of that nation began, died in France. Born

Bay of Goa. Born in Spain in 1453.

1515—Alfonso d'Albuquerque, famous explorer and soldier, died in the

Heart to Heart Talks.

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BROKE FAITH: KILLED HERSELF.

In a fit of remorse because she had worked on a Jewish holiday Fannie Chanon, a young girl of Chicago, committed suicide.

The spirit of Yom Kippur was in the air as bright-faced children journeyed with their elders to the synagogues and temples and there prayed for forgiveness for their trespasses.

But the day of atonement held nothing for the girl who sat in the park and said to herself: "Their right is no longer mine. I have held aloof and will not be forgiven."

"Do you not go to shule, Fannie?" asked one of her friends of the girl in the park. The latter turned away without answer.

So, most of the day, while the people were in the synagogues, neither eating nor drinking, but praying until the dusk closed on the day of atonement, the girl brooded in the park.

And then she remembered how, when Rosh Hashonah ushered in the Jewish new year, instead of going to synagogue she had worked all day at the factory, where she sewed buttons on cloth.

She had broken faith!

In despair the poor girl left the park in the late afternoon. She sought her opportunity and threw herself from the platform in front of an elevated train and was picked up, crushed, bleeding, mangled, dead.

A single scrap of paper was found in one of her pockets. It said:

"As it should be, it was."

And this story of her—cruelly pathetic—is here recorded because it gives one a glimpse into the depths of a human soul.

You say there was not sufficient cause for suicide, it was all a superstitious fancy, this anguish that torments the Jewish girl's heart. But—

Put yourself in her place.

Perhaps you cannot. The faith of your fathers has lost its hold on you. Or, if not so, you cannot realize what the departure of a great faith may mean. Nevertheless this is true.

Life without faith is impossible.

Existence without faith is possible, but life—normal, abundant, high-purposed and joyous life—without faith is impossible.

"As it should be, so it was."

That is a fatalistic sentiment, but—

Hopeless is that soul that sees no morning break with promise, that feels no pulsing thrill of joyous faith. The poignancy of such hopelessness may not end in suicide—but it is the logical end.

in Poland about 1660.

1714—George Whitefield, celebrated evangelist, born in Gloucester, England. Died in Newburyport, Mass., Sept. 30, 1770.

1773—Destruction of cargo of taxed tea in Boston harbor by citizens disguised as Indians, known as the "Boston Tea Party."

1835—Great fire in New York and \$20,000,000 property loss.

1839—The Broadway National bank of Boston closed its doors.

1902—George Moorman, adjutant general of the United Confederate veterans, died at New Orleans.

1907—The American battle ship fleet departed from Hampton Roads for the Pacific coast.

THIS IS MY 60TH BIRTHDAY.

Isaac Sharpless.

Dr. Isaac Sharpless, president of Haverford college, was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, Dec. 16, 1848, after a preparatory course, completed his education at the Lawrence Scientific school of Harvard University. After his graduation in 1873 he taught school for several years, and in 1875 he became an instructor in Haverford college. In 1879 he was appointed to the chair of mathematics, five years later becoming dean. In 1887 he was appointed to the presidency of Haverford college, which position he still holds. Dr. Sharpless is the author of a number of text books on geometry and astronomy and of several historical works. In recognition of his literary and educational work he has received honorary degrees from the University of Pennsylvania, Swarthmore college and several other prominent institutions of learning.

IF YOU REALLY WANT A LITTLE OF EVERYTHING FOR CHRISTMAS, THE BEST AND CHEAPEST WAY IS TO INVEST IN A MINCE PIE.

Prevention is better than broken bones, and if the wife who is up against the wife beater will only notify the police in time, she may save hubby thirty days in jail as well.

STORKLAND SPECIAL.

To the Lewistown (Pa.) Sentinel:

Just a little feather from the wing of the angel of love dropped into the lap of motherhood at the home of Thomas G. Beaver on West Juniper street this morning. Mother and son are doing well.

A sensible hat for women would be one that looks all right even if it wasn't on straight.

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