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The Week in Business.

These are times when the average business man, who ordinarily gives little attention to matters concerning stock speculation, finds his interest involuntarily drawn that way.

To-day, prices of the best stocks are 25 to 40 points down from high figures of earlier months. A calculation of the sort often made, would show a shrinkage of hundreds of millions in stock values.

When a speculative market runs one way for a long time, it gains great momentum and is very hard to slack. On the present decline a powerful and well organized bear clique has developed.

New developments in the labor field were principally unfavorable, the feature being the controversy centering around the Philadelphia textile trade.

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ited by its increased earnings. It is true that the dividend rate has not been increased, but there is a chance for an argument that the stock has been watered.

The University's Troubles.

The University of Minnesota is wrestling now with the problem that every institution of learning has to wrestle with part of the time; that is, what to do with members of the faculty grown too old or believed to be otherwise incapacitated for the most effective work.

So far as the disposition of aged members of the faculty is concerned, much of the pain of an embarrassing situation to both the professor and the managing body would be avoided by a hard and fast age retirement rule.

It is, perhaps, too much to expect that the legislature would appropriate money for salaries of retired professors, but if it should it would soon get the money's worth in the peace and elimination of friction that would follow.

The trouble in the agricultural department, which has resulted in a demand on the part of the regents for the resignation of four members of the faculty, is of an entirely different nature from the considerations involved in what was said above.

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Overdone Hero-Worship.

The writers of biographies are for the most part eulogists. Many of these gentlemen are authorized by the families and close friends of the subject to write the biography.

Iron has been on the downward trend again, nor is it to be expected that recovery will occur very soon. The coal trade has rarely been better, and the mining companies are filling large orders at prices which will soon reimburse them for the losses resulting from the great coal strike.

The Commercial West present an extremely interesting statement of the substantial reductions in freight rates on the Great Northern within the last twenty years.

would seem to set the seal of condemnation upon such midnight orgies. Plato, however, who thought the drinking ability of his hero a mark of the strength and dignity of his character, shared the inconsistencies of his race.

If the Macedonians should loose plague bacilli to punish Europe for not helping them to liberty, the Turk would be an angel of mercy compared to them.

An Interesting Commercial Experiment.

Business men and the public generally will watch with no little interest the experiment in co-operative ownership which the Dayton Dry Goods company of Minneapolis is now making.

Of course, this is not complete co-operation, but it is an important step towards it. In a complete co-operative business there is no capital represented which does not belong wholly to the workers and patrons of the institution.

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Kansas City proclaims that it needs no help for itself but that the neighboring cities do. This is fine independence, justice to more sorely injured cities and good advertising.

The Russian Jewbaiting.

The explanation by the Russian director of police, cabled to the Christian Herald of New York, Thursday, relating to the Kishinev massacre, comes from an official source, but it conveys no additional information.

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THE STARS AND BARS

As a result of the display of a Confederate flag during the state G. A. R. conference in Marietta, Ohio, during the week of May 22-24, it is necessary to display a Confederate flag except one captured during the war.

SHE HAD IT

A boy and girl got two pieces of cake, a large and a small piece. The boy, who was to divide it, took the large piece and gave the girl the small piece.

WANTED A CHEAP FUNERAL

In his last will Dr. Lohdlaus Janinski, a leading physician of Liberty, Galicia, bequeathed \$13,000 to a fund for assisting widows of doctors, and ordained at the same time that not more than \$3,000 should be spent on his funeral.

GOVERNOR'S LEADING QUESTION

Indulgent Father (talking in restaurant) - I presume, Horace, while you were attending that foreign medical college you found the foolish and reprehensible habit of drinking beer?

a good many Americans thought were buying only an ice farm and a few seals. She is, moreover, a fairly good customer of our country, and it is to be hoped that she will continue to be such by setting the door of trade wide open in Manchuria.

The Russians pour burning coals on our heads by admitting that the Russian peasant, when enraged against the Jews, is even worse than our negro lynchers.

The destructive floods in upper portions of the Mississippi valley this year are likely to be the agency of bringing the mighty work of curbing the old river.

In view of the possible success of the movement for preferential tariffs within the British empire, it is all the more incumbent upon American railway and transportation companies not to discriminate against American flour.

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THE MAGAZINES

Tales From Town Topics for June contains many fifty tales and poems of the light and airy kind generally, which in many respects is a very good thing.

LITERARY NOTES

Jack London's new story is called "The Call of the Wild," the central figure in which is a St. Bernard-Scottish shepherd dog.

Books and Authors

COME BACK TO PLAGUE

Since Dr. Crichton Browne and Alexander Carlyle have claimed that in their volumes of new letters and memorials of Jane Welsh Carlyle, they have disposed of the story about the unhappiness of Thomas Carlyle and his wife, Jane Welsh Carlyle, by a kind of post mortem study and scrutiny, Mr. Froude's inclusion of Jane's letters full of reproaches against her philosopher husband, and perhaps had said more violently than ever.

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NEW BOOKS

THE JEWISH ENCYCLOPEDIA. A Descriptive Record of the History, Religion, Literature and Customs of the Jewish People from the Earliest Times to the Present Day. Vol. IV. "Chazans-Dreyfus Case." New York: Funk & Wagnell.

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Among the interesting features of this fourth volume are the papers under the heading "Constantinople, which treats of the Jews under Turkish rule, and the article "Cologne," showing the attitude of the Crusaders toward the Jews; an account of the Cossack massacres of the Jews back in 1881; a paper on the Jewish chronology, on "Christianity in Its Relation to Judaism," "Coats of Arms of the Jews"; on the 613 commandments of the law of Moses; a demography of the Jews; and on the Jewish race in its relations to the Hellenic and the Roman peoples; on divorce, the drama, etc.

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The Nonpareil Man.

Casually Observed. The democratic party needs bread and they are talking of Stone.

Cuba wants to borrow \$45,000,000. There are a lot of cheap skates around who are trying to borrow this sum \$5 at a time.

The monitor Arkansas may fall over the bluffs at Kansas City on her way down river.

Mrs. Langtry says that one of the rules of her perpetual youth is this: "Never bother with anything which other persons can be hired to do." This is the invaluable rule that the Weary Walker applies to labor.

A strange and wonderful experience is that told to the Litchville, N. D. Bulletin man by a farmer near Ypsilanti in that state. During the winter his wife lost a fur collar, and the most careful search failed to reveal its whereabouts.

The Albert Lea Tribune joyfully tells of the downfall of a masher at the hands of a fair, young girl athlete of that town. She was passing the northeast corner of Broadway and Clark streets, when one of the cheap loafers tried to win her attention by smooching her eyes and "smart talk. He won it. The girl exploded.

The young lady went at him, catch-as-can, Queensbury's rules thrown to the winds. The insulted woman fought like a tiger, and the blood soon flowed freely from her tormentor. He yelled for mercy, at the same time protesting his innocence. The lady had her victim down and was punning him "good and plenty," when other mashers interfered and released their comrade, and he departed, declaring he would have the author of his sorrow arrested, but as yet no papers have been served.

A general hope is expressed that other mashers will put their finger on a buzz saw "to see if it is going."

Mr. Sullivan, the ex-champion, has opened another bar in New York. If he can resist the temptation of drinking up everything there is left at the end of the day's business, it may prove a successful venture.

each and two volumes are published each year.

The Macmillan company announce "The Geography of Disease," by Frank P. Clemon, a leading investigator into the ways by which disease is spread over the earth's surface.

Flora Annie Steel has written a new book entitled "The Guardians of the Good," which contains seventeen stories.

Meredith Nicholson, author of the clever American story, "The Main Chance," is a native of Crawfordsville, Ind., which has the reputation of being the cradle of many of Indiana's "literary feils."

White was annexed to the presidential party at Santa Barbara in a rather informal manner. When the party reached there, one of the men remarked that he had a friend in town, Stewart White, and that he was going to take an hour off to run up and see him.

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If you can't bring him back with you, Tell him to pack a grip and come along. Thus it happened that the young author, on very brief notice, found himself a member of the presidential party.

White: "That's the kind of young American who is making our new literature."

"There is no luck in literary reputation. They who make up the final verdict upon every book are not the partial and noisy readers of the hour when it appears, but a court of angels, a public not to be bribed, not to be entreated, and not to be overawed, decides upon every man's title to fame. Only those books come down which deserve to last." - Spiritual Laws.

McCure, Phillips & Co. tell of Stewart Edward White, author of "The Blazed Trail."

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A Great Sleuth's Admiration

Richard Sylvester, Washington's Famous Chief of Police, writes a letter about "The Filigree Ball" to its famous author.

HEADQUARTERS OF POLICE. WASHINGTON, D. April 27, 1903.

Mrs. Anna K. Greene Rohlfs, #105 Norwood Avenue, Buffalo, N. Y.

Dear Madam: If I had known the solution of the mystery concerning the Jeffrey-Moore affair, that would not have deterred me from making a careful perusal of that interesting work "The Filigree Ball."

No apology is necessary for the use you make of the Washington Police; on the other hand, I must convey to you congratulations upon the masterly manner in which you handle your subjects of the force. You give evidence of familiarity with police workings, which could only be realized from intimate acquaintance and hard study.

The ambitions, subtleties and intelligence of the subordinates are aptly portrayed, as well as is the earnest disposition to avoid connection with the case on the part of the general characters who are parties to the unfortunate situations.

The whole matter is interestingly presented and the deeper the reader delves into it the greater the attraction.

All Washington should find in your production so much that is out of the ordinary, and at the same time so much of local interest as to create a ready demand for your book.

With best wishes, permit me to be, Very truly,

Richard Sylvester

This Great Detective Story will be published in The Journal, beginning Friday, June 12.