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| The American dollar is the Big Fellow in the financial ${ }^{2}$ world this day. this country is sitting steady in the boat ad its affairs are movingalong in good shape. <br> A reason of the strength of the American dollar can be found in the excellent state of business in this country. While there are some pessimists, yet there a:e so many who recognize the real state of affairs of business as and among these who are in a position to know aflairs are the men connected with the various mercantile agencies. over the United S:ates assembled in Duluth, Minn., to attend the annual convention of the National Association of Mercantile Agencies, and most of them declared that the business outlook is brighter than it had been for While the American dollar is strong the English pound sterling, long the stand barometer of the world, is weak, Yesterday it was debased as never be487 it fell as low at one time as 4.64 , $\mathrm{n}=\mathrm{ver}$ before in history having reached that low point, and the American dolbecame the standard of the world's n necial m-rket. <br> The trouble was that England's credwent to smash when American manabroad, the market having been recentIf flooded with millions of dollars of American bills against England and her allies, it being reported in New York that last Friday $\$ 20,000,000$ to $\$ 50,000,000$ of such bills were present- ed to one banking house alone, and ed to one banking house alone, and yesterday's bills were believed to be far in excess to these figures. $\qquad$ the view was expressed in New York yesterday that England must either escredit conservativeiy put at $\$ 500,000$,000, or acquire in England a large a- |
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| of them by.underwater craft and two of them by mines. This makes a totil known loss of 70.668 tons of shipping in nine days. <br> Ten of the vessels sunk in the last two days were British, three Norwegian and one Spanish. The total tonage known to have been lost Friday was 26,674 and Thursday it was 21,024 . The largest vessel whose loss has been confirmed was the Arabic of 15,801 tons. Reports that the Lapland of 17 .640 tons, and the Nicosian 6,529 tons, have been sunk have not been veri fied. The fate of the Dunsley, reported torredoed just before the Arabic, was sunk has not been definitely determined. The British Pres's Associstion has denied the reported loss of the Bovic of 6500 tons. <br> Underwater craft torpadoed cn Friday the Britush steamer Restormel; Baron Eslkine, City of New York, Samara, Gladiator, Bittern and the Ben Brachie with a total of 22729 tons. The No wegian steamer Sverresborg and Bras and the Spanish steamer Peria Castillo also were sunk, making a grand total of 26,674 tons, <br> The vessels sunk Thuriday were the Arabic, 15,801 tons; the Grodno 1,955 tons; the Serbino 2,205 tous and the Magda $1 ; 063$ tons, a total of 21,024 . All these were of British registry except the Magda, Norwegian. <br> Taken by Mistake or StolenA vaise on August 18, about 6:30 p. m., was left in Southern white waiting room with my name on end. It contains notnan English gold coin of about $\$ 5.00$ dated 1767 and two one dollar gold pins and and a lot of fractional currency. running in cents. If located please communicate with <br> 2t. pd. <br> W. J. WOLFr', <br> Tobaccoville, N. C. <br> Hawaii, with a population of 200,000 , had a foreign trale last year of $\$ 76.000,000$. The trade total was but $\$ 6,800,000$ in 1897, the year before annexation to this country. | Good Cheer in Sorry Times. <br> The figures for the first half of the year are distinctly encouraging. Railway earning are getting larger, and the same is true for the revenues of the telephone and telegraph companies. Steel, coke, and pig iron are more in demand, and cotton consumption is in excess of that for the same period last year. Building is one of the few basic industries which dees not fall in with the general trend toward greater activits. Crcp reports are all that can be desired, though summer flocd; may mar the record in some localities. At the same time conditions abroad have put our country in a commarding, if not in the leadir $g$. financial pesition. Ary great development here will necessary wait on that settling of world conditions which alone can make the industrial future reasonably predictable. Meanwhile the United States is growing all the time-slowly, it is true, but with tha solidity of an oak. One very interesting proof of this is speculation in war, near-war, and maybe-war stock. "Uncurbed insecurities" seems a fit description. All these facts show that the material basis is here for whatever advance we are capable of making, There never was a time in our history when business statesmanship had eo extensive a field as it has to-day.Colliers Weekly. <br> Pictures of Leo Frank <br> Dr. F. B. Hicks was showing yesterday two photographs of Leo. M. Frank, taken while he was hanging to the tree near Marietta., Ga., last Tuesday. The body was clad only in night clothes, the face covered with a handkerchief, arms trandeuffed in front and the bare feet tied together with a rope, while the wound in his neck made by a fellow prisoner a few weeks before the lynching was plainly visible. | Wrachington, Avg. 20 --General Car ranza, it was learned here 'tonight, preparing to move from Verá Cruz İexico City'at once and to have government es:abiished in the old capital by the time his response to Pan-American peace appeal reaches Washington next week. <br> Private adyices from Carrarza to his <br> Washington acivisers todey said he expected to be in Mexico City Mord: $y$. <br> According 10 all information reaching Lere, Carrarza in replying to Secretary Lansing and the Latin-American diploing crder in Mexico will reject the peace conference profosal and urge recognition of his government as the surest guaranty of peace. That Caranswer to the conferees for became apparent today when the Carranza agency made public responses from four of them, including General Aguitar, governor of Vera Cruz arrived, stated that it would be a breach of dicipline for the generais to answer independently <br> Jose M. Cardoso, Brazilian minister to Mexico, was welcomed here toda by Secretary Lansing, who expressed the thanks of the United States for his untiring efforts in looking after American affairs in Mexico for the last year. Tomorrow Mr. Cardoso will meet President Wilson and discuss the Mexican situation with him, <br> Despondency Due to Indigestion. <br> "About thre months ago when I was suffering from indigestion which caused headache and dizzy speils and made ing Chamberlain's Tablets," writes Mrs. Geo. Hon, Macedon, N. Y. This medicine proved to be the very ment relieved me greatly. I used two bottles of Chmberlain's Taplets and by Grimes Drug Co. \& Lutz Drug C. |
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HERE THEY ARE-THL ATTRACTIVE BILL AT THE CHAUTAUQUA WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY AND FRIDAY


